

Bard Briefs



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE **MAY 14, 2020** BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Due to COVID-19 related social distancing measures, the May 14th Board of Education Meeting was conducted entirely online, via virtual/video conferencing.

► Superintendent and Board Recognition

The Superintendent and Board recognized student and staff accomplishments at school sites and the District. The entire list can be found beginning on page 116 in the agenda packet here:

<https://powayusd.com/PUSD/media/Board-Images/BoardAgendas/2020/05-14-2020-Board-Agenda.pdf>

- Superintendent Phelps recognized Poway Unified's CyberAegis cyber security teams from Design39 Campus, Oak Valley Middle School, and Del Norte High School for winning two national championship titles and other awards in the first-ever virtual CyberPatriot National Finals Championship competition.

► Appointment of Garden Road Elementary School Principal

- Lisa Maguire

► Appointment of Sundance Elementary School Principal

- Raquel Katz

► Appointment of Twin Peaks Middle School Principal

- Steve Mills

► Appointment of Rancho Bernardo High School Principal

- Hans Becker

► Appointment of Director of Preschool, Before and After School Programs

- Michele Wilson-Manos

► Excellence in Education Video

This month's piece from our Studio 701 Interns focuses on the first-ever PUSD Districtwide No Place for Hate Conference, which was held right before schools closed in March. **WATCH=>** <https://youtu.be/6ROMfIRSbh0>

► Public Comments

The Board heard comments from the public regarding:

- Request to reveal real property being negotiated in closed session
- Question about the temporary transfers of special and restricted monies between district funds
- Request to consider substitution request for roofing materials contract
- Question about waiving competitive bidding for security camera systems
- Request to reopen schools as soon as possible

► Ratification of the Poway Federation of Teachers – Tentative Agreement 2020-2021

- The Board of Education ratified the tentative agreement between the Poway Federation of Teachers (PFT) and the Poway Unified School District for the 2020- 2021 school year. The agreement includes maintenance of all teacher salary schedules, health and welfare benefits for calendar year 2020, and jointly exploring different health and welfare benefits beginning Fall 2020. This agreement extends the contract by three years, concluding on June 30, 2023.

► **Public Hearing and Approval of the Initial Proposal from the Board of Education to the Poway School Employees Association Units I & II and the Initial Proposal from PSEA I & II to the Board of Education**

- The Board approved the initial proposals and contract negotiations for Poway School Employees Associations (PSEA) Units I & II, which include negotiations for health and welfare benefits. This proposal will allow the parties to begin negotiations well in advance of the 2021 benefit plan year. A multi-year (2019-2022) Collective Bargaining Agreement with Poway School Employees Association (PSEA) Unit I & II was approved by the Board of Education on February 13, 2020.

► **Information: Estimated Fiscal Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic on the District**

- The Board was presented with a report that includes the costs and lost revenues associated with the closing of all Poway Unified schools as of March 16, moving to a distance learning model of education, cleaning and sanitizing facilities, and protecting frontline District staff with protective gear. The estimated total impact to the district is approximately \$55.5 million: \$46 million in projected COVID-19 expenses, and approximately \$9.5 million in unrealized revenues (primarily in Food and Nutrition and ESS). The report can be found on pages 106-107 in the agenda [packet](#).

► **Approval of Resolution No. 69-2020 “Federal Education Funding in Light of Impacts Associated with COVID-19 Pandemic”**

- The Board was presented with an appeal to the Governor of California and the California Congressional delegation to advocate for additional federal funds that would mitigate the deleterious effects of the pandemic on school district operations and finances.

► **Approval of Regular Board Meeting Dates for 2021 (first reading)**

Listed below are the recommended Regular Board Meeting dates for the year 2021:

Thursday, January 14, 2021	Thursday, June 24, 2021
Thursday, February 11, 2021	Thursday, August 12, 2021
Thursday, March 11, 2021	Thursday, September 9, 2021
Thursday, April 8, 2021	Thursday, October 14, 2021
Thursday, May 13, 2021	Thursday, November 18, 2021
Thursday, June 3, 2021	Thursday, December 16, 2021

Future meetings: During the COVID-19 Crisis, Board Meetings will be held via Zoom.

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: **Wednesday, June 3, 2020**

The following regular board meeting dates were approved for 2020:

Thursday, June 25, 2020
Thursday, August 13, 2020
Thursday, September 10, 2020
Thursday, October 15, 2020
Thursday, November 12, 2020
Thursday, December 17, 2020

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