Los Alamitos Unified School District

Beard Highlights

Highlights from the April 26, 2022 Board of Education Meeting

Board of Education: Megan Cutuli • Marlys Davidson • Scott Fayette • Chris Forehan • Diana D. Hill

There were several notable moments during the April 26, 2022 Board of Education meeting. The timestamps with each highlight will help you navigate directly to the point in the recorded meeting.

Workshop - 4:30 p.m. YouTube Link to View

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School Reports: *Timestamp 1:45 - 35:30* Oak Middle School

Oak's presentation started with a beautiful performance of the "Star Spangled Banner" by the Oak Choir, led by Mr. Vince O'Connell. After the performance, Principal Erin Kominsky delivered her last report to the Board of Education, as she is set to retire after a more than 30 year career in education. Principal Kominsky, along with two Oak leadership students, highlighted the work students and staff have accomplished this year and what they continue to do. Highlights included Leo's Corner, the Lion's Roar newsletter, student wellness initiatives, and the special connections with community and families.

Recognition: Timestamp 35:30 - 1:03:35

- Hero of the Heart, Oak Middle School, Stacey Levine
- Classified Employee of the Year, Regina Brown
- Teacher of the Year, Angle Haas
- PTA Presentation
 - Special presentation by PTA Council President Janet Murphy and Jennifer Steece to present all five members of the Los Alamitos USD Board of Education with Honorary Service Awards.



Oak Choir



Hero of the Heart, Stacey Levine



Oak Leadership Students



Classified Employee of the Year, Regina Brown



Teacher of the Year, Angie Haas



Board of Education PTA Honorary Service Award

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Board President's report: *Timestamp 5:25 - 12:15* Mrs. Diana Hill

Mrs. Hill's Board President's report focused on the annual Orange County Teacher of the Year dinner hosted by the Orange County Department of Education, held at the Disneyland Hotel. Due to the pandemic, the awards ceremony honored our 2021 Teacher of the Year Janelle Fox, Math Teacher at LAHS, and 2022 Teacher of the Year Cori Alfaro, ELA and Spanish Teacher at Oak. Mrs. Hill also highlighted National Volunteer Week and thanked the amazing volunteers in this community including our PTA's, "Friends Of" groups, Boosters, Heroes of the Heart, and more! The "Did you Know" section of the report focused on this Board Highlights document and the District's weekly video summary of events, also known as The Wrap-Up.

Student Board Member Report: *Timestamp 12:55 - 20:05*

Will Brandenberger

Although students and staff were on Spring Break the week of April 17 - 23, Will found plenty to talk about. Highlights included:

- Academics: AP Testing, which start May 1, and College Wall submissions from students
- Activities: Spring "send-off" lunch, and Prom, which will take place on May 14. This year's Prom theme is the Met Gala.
- Athletics: Volleyball and Softball Senior night as well as track competing in the Arcadia Invitational Meet
- Arts: The Ghost Light Dance Show, which runs from May 11 14
- Teacher Spotlight: Mr. Thomson, 8th grade U.S. History Teacher at McAuliffe Middle School, who Will fondly calls his favorite teacher.
- Student Spotlight: Alexa Dharmapalan, who was selected as next year's Los Al USD Student Board Rep
- College Selection: Will concluded his presentation by informing the Board that he's made his college decision and will be attending San Diego State University, majoring in Mechanical Engineering.

Superintendent's Report: *Timestamp 21:30 - 33:10*

Dr. Andrew Pulver

Highlights from Dr. Pulver's report included:

- Tour of the LAHS Multistory STEM Building
 - Board, Cabinet, and Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee members toured the construction site during Spring Break.
 - The building will house over 30 classrooms focused on STEM instruction
 - LAHS Solar Array Project Update
 - Solar array locations at LAHS have been slightly adjusted. A community notice was sent to residents whose homes are located along the perimeter of the project.
- 2022 California Pivotal Practice Awards
 - All nine schools and the District received the 2022 California Pivotal Practice award!!!

Consent/Action Items: Timestamp 57:00 - 1:12:10

Below is a brief summary of the items the Board took action on:

- The Board approved the Adoption of the following Resolutions:
 - Resolution 2021-2022-15 in Recognition of Classified Employees
 - Resolution 2021-2022-16 in Recognition of Day of the Teacher
 - Resolution 2021-2022-17 in Recognition of Day of the Administrator
- The Board approved the second reading and final approval of the following Board Policies:
 - Board Policy 5111, Admissions
 - Board Policy ByLaw 9322 Agenda/Meeting Materials
- The Board approved a Memorandum of Understanding between Los Alamitos USD and the Sandy Hook Promise Foundation (new anonymous tip reporting system)

Next Board of Education Meeting: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 Published by the Los Alamitos USD Communications Office For more information, visit our website <u>www.losal.org</u>