



Board Briefs

A brief synopsis of the P-CCS Board of Education Meeting

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August 8, 2023

REGULAR MEETING

Action Items/Discussion

- Approved the New Hire of **Scott Clanton** (Salem), **Karen deReyna** (Bird/Miller), **Kristin Gunkelman** (Plymouth), **Scott Hawkins** (West), **Katherine Horning** (Canton), **Sydney Jacks** (Dodson), **Jennifer Jastrzembski** (Workman), **Jennifer Kolbus** (Allen), **Nellie Maltby** (Salem), **Nicole Margosian-Galindo** (Canton), **Stephanie Metzger** (Plymouth), **Jessica Paxson** (Workman), **Lisa Peters** (Tonda), **Kelly Voigt** (East), **Mackenzie Williams** (Dodson/Farrand), and **Sharon Kerr** (Educational Support Center)
- Approved the Leave of Absence of **Zaina Gennaoui** (Gallimore), **Jocelyn Jocque** (Dodson), **Jocelyn Shutt** (Field), and **Susan Zarate** (Smith)
- Approved the Resignation of **Jessica Blanchet** (Miller), **Angela Frank** (Workman), **Scott German** (Miller), **Wilma Gumber** (Smith), **Shea Heid** (Starkweather), **Dana Sandakli** (Hulsing), **Tamira Shropshire** (Bird), and **Melissa Martin** (Starkweather)
- Approved the Retirement of **Ranae Ray** (Hoben) and **Craig Salin, Jr.** (Educational Support Center)
- Approved the Regular (Organizational) Meeting Minutes of July 11, 2023
- Considered a Resolution for an Elementary School Playground 3-Year Mulch Agreement (First Reading)
- Considered a Resolution for an ADA Audit Agreement (First Reading)
- Approved a Resolution to Purchase Radar Speed Warning Signs for P-CEP (First and Final Reading)

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Merritt spoke about the success of the P-CCS summer learning programs, where students were provided with expanded enrichment and educational opportunities. She thanked **Beth Rayl**, Chief Academic and Innovation Officer, and Teaching and Learning Team Members for their work in creating so many unique learning opportunities for students.

She spoke about the multiple construction projects underway throughout the district and thanked the P-CCS community for its continued support.

She also invited community members to join the amazing P-CCS students hosting the annual *Robots in the Park* event on Sunday, August 13, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth. This free, day-long

event will highlight robotics and STEM through fun and immersive demonstrations and activities encouraging creativity and logical thinking.

She also shared information about the *2023 P-CCS Back to School Bash* planned for Saturday, August 26, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and encouraged district students and families to mark their calendars for this exciting event to kick off the start of the school year. This year's event will return to the P-CEP bus loop (located behind Salem High School) and will provide an opportunity for families to meet school and district leaders, tour the P-CEP campus, learn about P-CCS programs, and enjoy food, fun, and games.

Finally, she encouraged all P-CCS families to visit the district website to view important back-to-school information in the P-CCS Summer Communication and the P-CEP E-Communicator. This information was also emailed to all families and includes key dates, transportation updates, schedule pick-up details, athletics schedules, and instructions for completing required forms.

Communications and Marketing – Nick Brandon

Nick Brandon, Executive Director of Communications and Marketing; **Jonathan Flukes**, Director of Data, Assessment, Research & Evaluation; and **Anthony Ruela**, Executive Director for Middle Schools, gave a presentation to provide an overview of the P-CCS Student, Staff, and Community Survey data.

Citizens' Comments

- **Steve Gentilia** spoke on the Canton High School Mascot.
- **Amber Spuller** spoke about Bond funds and Canton Softball fields

Board Subcommittee Meetings

- SPA Committee
(Next Meeting: September 13, 2023 - 5 p.m.)
- Policy Committee
(Next Meeting: August 29, 2023 - 5:30 p.m.)
- Finance & Operations Committee
(Next Meeting: August 24, 2023 - 5 p.m.)
- Student Voice in Action Committee
(Next Meeting: September 18, 2023 – 6 p.m.)

Upcoming Board Meetings

- Special Meeting - August 14, 2023 - 4:30 p.m.
- Regular Meeting – August 29, 2023 - 7:00 p.m.
- Regular Meeting – September 12, 2023 - 7:00 p.m.