



# Board Briefs

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

## August 29, 2023

### REGULAR MEETING

#### Action Items/Discussion

- Approved the New Hire of **Casey Bess** (Canton), **Katherine Blackford** (Smith), **Phyllis Brandon** (Miller), **Benjamin Briere** (Salem), **Bryan Brunson** (Discovery), **Sarah Budziak** (Canton), **Laura Cirella** (Eriksson), **Kayla Deluna** (Eriksson), **Aziza Ghanem** (Workman), **Veeda Griffin-Alexander** (East/MS Virtual Academy), **Judith Hart** (East), **Kristin Kafantar** (Gallimore), **Alyssa Keblaitis** (Dodson), **Ronald King** (Hulsing), **Kevin Kollar** (Plymouth), **Dana Kronk** (Miller), **Andrew Lehmann** (Salem), **Chelsea Llewellyn** (Dodson), **Emily Long** (Tonda), **San Juanita Lopez** (Hulsing), **Sarah Perris** (Farrand), **Kaytlynn Rea** (Workman), **Susan Siersha** (Salem), **Rachael Strecker** (Hulsing/Miller), **Ann Stubbs** (Starkweather), **Tara Trujillo** (Miller), **Christopher Tsakoff** (Plymouth), **Amanda Wade-Minor** (Isbister), **Katelyn Ward** (Hoben) **Eric Wright** (Canton), **Kathryn Yuchuck** (Canton), **Cynthia Nickel** (Miller), **Samuel Marsh** (Discovery), **Brittani Thomas** (Administration Bldg.), and **Joseph Amabile** (Educational Support Center)
- Approved the Leave of Absence of **Brianna Rieboldt** (West) and **Alexandria Williams** (Field)
- Approved the Resignation of **Megan Atwood** (West), **Bridgit Cook** (Smith), **Megan Hartwig** (Hulsing), **Kristen Incarnati** (Dodson), **Mayssam Khorbalty** (Discovery), **Cindy Long** (East), **Stephanie Nimene** (Dodson), **Alison Tomasaitis** (Farrand), **Jordan Tubaro** (Workman), and **Bethany Welton** (Tonda)
- Approved the Retirement of **Katherine Lester** (East)
- Approved the Recall of Healthcare Technicians **Caelin Sutherland** and **Amber Wallace**
- Approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 8, 2023, and the Special Meeting Minutes of August 14, 2023
- Approved a Resolution for an Elementary School Playground 3-Year Mulch Agreement (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for an ADA Audit Agreement (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution to Appoint MASB Assembly Voting Delegates at the 2023 Assembly (First and Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution to Adopt 2023-2024 Superintendent Goals (First and Final Reading)

#### Superintendent's Report

**Superintendent Merritt** spoke about the severe weather that impacted our community and some of our district school buildings and facilities last week. She expressed appreciation to the P-CCS maintenance, construction, and bond teams that addressed flooding and restoration efforts to ensure school buildings are safe and ready for students to return. She also thanked our neighboring communities for sharing their facilities, allowing some P-CEP athletic teams to relocate while the flooded turf fields were assessed and restored.

Due to last week's storms, the Back to School Bash was rescheduled until the first day of school, September 5, 2023, from 1-4 p.m. in the Salem bus loop. Superintendent Merritt encouraged district families to stop by to take advantage of this opportunity to meet district leaders, tour the P-CEP campus, enjoy food, fun, and games, and learn about P-CCS programs.

She also spoke about the Teacher Welcome Back Event held this morning in the Gloria Logan Auditorium, where educators from across the district engaged in professional learning and participated in activities centered around the district's 2023-2024 theme, *"Reach Higher."* She gave a shout-out to the P-CEP Unified Dance Team and the P-CEP Park Players for their outstanding performances, which were enjoyed by all.

She also acknowledged the significant donation of a 2022 Ford Bronco Raptor received by the Canton High School CTE Department. She expressed appreciation to Ford Motor Company for this generous donation to be used for training and instruction purposes for students at P-CEP.

Finally, she provided an update on the 2020 Bond construction projects underway throughout the district.

#### Teaching and Learning - Bethany Rayl

**Beth Rayl** gave a presentation to provide an overview of the P-CCS 2023 Summer Learning Programs.

#### Citizens' Comments

- **Rocky Johnson** spoke on Salem High School athletic facilities
- **Shannon Balog** spoke on the Canton High School mascot transition, flooding at Plymouth High School, and athletic facilities
- **Nathan Morris** spoke on board relations, athletic facilities, and district staffing
- **Bob McCurdy** spoke on the Canton High School mascot

#### Board Subcommittee Meetings

- SPA Committee  
(Next Meeting: September 13, 2023 - 5 p.m.)
- Policy Committee  
(Next Meeting: September 26, 2023 - 5:30 p.m.)
- Finance & Operations Committee  
(Next Meeting: September 7, 2023 - 5 p.m.)
- Student Voice in Action Committee  
(Next Meeting: September 18, 2023 - 6 p.m.)

#### Upcoming Board Meetings

- Special Meeting - September 25, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.
- Regular Meeting - September 26, 2023 - 7:00 p.m.
- Regular Meeting - October 10, 2023 - 7:00 p.m.