



Board Briefs

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

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December 12, 2023

REGULAR MEETING

Action Items/Discussion

- Approved the New Hire of **Tamara Patterson** (Field) and **Julie Eschmann** (Dodson)
- Approved the Resignation of **Colleen Anderson** (Liberty), **Matthew Sexton** (Plymouth), and **Matthew Smoot** (Educational Support Center)
- Approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 28, 2023
- Approved the Special Meeting Minutes of November 29, 2023
- Considered a Resolution for BP #MS-2 East & West Middle Schools Addition and Renovations (First Reading)
- Considered a Resolution for a Marching Band Uniform Purchase (First Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for a Transportation Two-Way Radio Purchase (First and Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for Awards for Bid Package #HS-4 P-CEP-1, Canton High School Addition, Renovation, and New Stadium (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution to Adopt "Cobras" as the Canton High School new mascot (Final Reading)
- Consider Approval of Policy #5310-Health Services (First Reading)

Celebrating Success

Member McCoin presented the STARS Award (Student with Tenacity Achieving & Reaching Success) to **Nolan Lenk**, a dedicated 7th-grade student at Discovery Middle School. Nolan exemplifies a strong commitment to community service by volunteering his time to enhance the area around his school. Through his unwavering dedication and consistent acts of kindness, Nolan has become a positive force in both his school and the broader community.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Merritt shared details about the upcoming holiday concerts happening across the district, showcasing the exceptional talents and skills of students in the Discovery Middle School Band, P-CEP Band, Orchestra, Choir, and Park Players programs. She provided performance dates and times and extended an invitation to Board members and the entire school community to join in supporting our students and witness the remarkable talents of our young performers.

She also invited the community to attend the next installment of the family presentations series organized by the Department of Student and Family Engagement. This important presentation, "Keep Talking, They are Listening," will be held tomorrow at 7 p.m. at the Penn Theatre. This

session will shed light on the extreme dangers associated with the evolving and increasingly lethal drugs in today's world.

In closing, she extended congratulations on behalf of the entire P-CCS community to **Madison Morson**, a senior shooting guard on the Salem High School girls basketball team, for achieving the remarkable milestone of scoring her 1,000th career point last week.

Finance & Operations – Deborah Piesz

Brian Gesaman, McCarthy and Smith Senior Project Manager, and **Derek Dinkeloo**, TMP Architecture Senior Associate, gave a presentation to provide an overview of Bid Packet #MS-2 East and West Middle School Addition and Renovations.

Teaching & Learning – Bethany Rayl

Bethany Rayl, Chief Academic & Innovation Officer, and **Jonathan Flukes**, Director of Data, Assessment, Research, & Evaluation, gave a presentation to provide an overview of the district's 2023-2024 fall data.

Citizens' Comments

- **Andy Patterson**, **Phil Venables**, and **Steve Gentilia** spoke on the Canton HS Mascot
- **Steve Robb** spoke on community concerns
- **Lisa Capatina** spoke on school district meals

Board Workshop - Dynamic Plan KPIs and Dashboard

Representatives from Advanced Learning Partnerships (ALP) gave a presentation to provide updates regarding their ongoing work and collaboration with P-CCS regarding strategic planning.

Board Subcommittee Meetings

- SPA Committee
(Next Meeting: January 10, 2024 - 5 p.m.)
- Policy Committee
(Next Meeting: January 23, 2024 - 5:30 p.m.)
- Finance & Operations Committee
(Next Meeting: January 18, 2024 - 5 p.m.)
- Student Voice in Action Committee
(Next Meeting: January 29, 2024 - 6 p.m.)

Upcoming Board Meetings

- Regular Meeting – January 9, 2024 - 7 p.m.
- Regular Meeting – January 23, 2024 - 7 p.m.