



Board Briefs

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

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February 13, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

Action Items/Discussion

- Approved the New Hire of **Logan Kendall** (Canton), **Jessica McCavit** (Farrand) **Todd Symington** (Salem) **Emily Vaillencourt** (Liberty), **Lisa Vance** (Admin. Bldg.), **Heather Walsh** (Educational Support Center), and **Huma Ahmed** (Admin. Bldg.)
- Approved the Leave of Absence of **Kelley Browning** (Hulsing), **Heather Dondzila** (Plymouth), **Angela Kozlowski** (East), **Lindsay Kursa** (Plymouth), **Emily Lewin** (Hoben), **Courtney MacDonald** (Bird), **Meghan St. Peter** (Liberty)
- Approved the Resignation of **Casey Bess** (Canton), **Megan Cox** (Plymouth-Goals), **Jason Kaye** (Pioneer), **Shonta Langford** (Administrative Bldg.), **Kristen Schwartz** (Field), **Susan Simms** (Allen), **Justine Travick** (Admin. Bldg.), **Megan Utter** (Bentley), and **Lowanda Washington-Brown** (Plymouth-Goals)
- Approved the Retirement of **Kevin Lane** (Starkweather), **Gwendolyn Parkinson** (Liberty), and **Frederick Stanley** (East)
- Approved Tenure Recommendations of **Margaret Kuhl** (Shared-Time) **Hannah Long** (Eriksson) & **Janelle Maryanski** (Plymouth)
- Approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 9, 2024
- Considered Policy #7540.3 Student Technology Acceptable Use & Safety and Policy #7540.04-Staff Technology Acceptable Use & Safety (First Reading)
- Approved an Out-of-Country Field Trip - Greece (Plymouth)
- Approved a Resolution-**Jill Minnick** to continue service to MILAF Board of Trustees (First and Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution to Purchase Six Combi Ovens for P-CEP Kitchens (First & Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for a Water Main Easement for BP #HS-2a (Band Room Addition) (First & Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for the Purchase of Computers for the CTE Department (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for a 4th Contract Amendment with ABM Industries (Final Reading)
- Considered a Resolution for a Course Name Change (Beginning/Intermediate Piano to Piano Studies) (First Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for Middle School Health Curriculum Materials (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for High School Health Curriculum Materials (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for Middle School Reproductive Health Curriculum Materials (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for High School Reproductive Health Curriculum Materials (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for a New HS Social Studies Elective Course Proposal (History of Hip Hop & Rap) (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for a High School Visual and Performance Arts Course Name Change (Parksmen to Bravo!) (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for the Enrollment of Non-Resident Applicants for the 2024-2025 School Year, Pursuant to School of Choice, Section 105 & 105c (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for the Enrollment of Non-Resident Students for P-CCS Employees for the 2024-2025 School Year (Final Reading)

Celebrating Success

Member Kehoe presented the Mary Beth Carroll Extra Miller Award to **Annie Cebull**, Farrand Elementary School First Grade Teacher, for her dedication, efforts, and ongoing support to better the lives of our students, staff, and the community.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Merritt spoke about the non-homestead millage renewal that will be up for voter consideration on the February 27 ballot. This proposal, which is not a request for new taxes but a renewal of a millage that has been in place since 1994, only applies to commercial businesses and secondary properties. Funding from this millage is vital for P-CCS and represents 16% of the district's operating budget. She encouraged everyone to visit the district website for additional information and to vote on February 27.

She also shared that the 2024-2025 Budget Survey is now open and accepting community responses until Sunday, February 25. The feedback received through this annual survey provides valuable community input to guide the district with funding decisions for the upcoming year. A survey link can be found on the P-CCS website.

She highlighted recent student and staff accomplishments and congratulated **Pamela Morgan**, Bird Elementary teacher who was named Michigan K-5 Teacher of the Year by the Veterans of Foreign Wars; P-CEP students **Emilio Herrero** and **Nolan McDowell** for receiving gold-level certification from DECA; Salem students **Mahdi Molaei** and **Jacob Dalebout**, who were recently named winners in the Suburban Collection "Focus on the Road" video public service announcement contest; & Canton High School student, **Sophie Sumampow**, who was named runner-up in this year's New York Times international high school memoir writing contest.

In closing, Superintendent Merritt invited the community to join her for the winter edition of "Coffee with Monica," which will be held on February 22, 2024, at 10:30 a.m. at the Plymouth District Library. Community members will have an opportunity to ask questions and hear about upcoming events happening throughout the district.

Human Resources – Shonta Langford

P-CCS Human Resources Team members gave a presentation to provide districtwide recruitment and staffing updates.

Citizens' Comments

- **Lisa Capatina** spoke on nutrition and student meal options

Board Subcommittee Meetings

- SPA Committee
(Next Meeting: March 6, 2024 - 5 p.m.)
- Policy Committee
(Next Meeting: February 27, 2024 - 5:30 p.m.)
- Finance & Operations Committee
(Next Meeting: February 22, 2024 - 5 p.m.)
- Student Voice in Action Committee
(Next Meeting: February 26, 2024 - 6 p.m.)

Upcoming Board Meetings

- Special Meeting – February 21, 2024
- Regular Meeting – February 27, 2024