



Board Briefs

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

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March 12, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

Action Items/Discussion

- Approved the New Hire of **Ashley Campbell** (Allen)
- Approved the Leave of Absence of **Carolanne Johnson** (Allen)
- Approved the Resignation of **Kelsey Bolz** (Plymouth), **Vernon Carr** (Eriksson), **Jasmine Miller** (Canton), **Stephanie Pettovello** (Educational Support Center), and **Jocelyn Shutt** (Field)
- Approved the Retirement of **Ann-Marie Konyha** (Liberty)
- Approved the Tenure Recommendation of **Holly Deady** (Hulsing)
- Approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 27, 2024
- Considered Policy #3131-Reduction in Certified Staff, Policy #9140-Citizens' Advisory Committees, and Policy #9140.01-Facilities Utilization & Boundary Study ((First Readings)
- Approved Bylaw #0122-Board Powers, Policy #1420-School Administrator Evaluation, Policy #3120 Employment of Personnel, Policy #3139-Staff Discipline, Policy #3140-Termination and Resignation, Policy #3220-Professional Staff Evaluation, and Policy #3244-Individualized Development Plan (Final Readings)
- Approved a Resolution for new course materials-Worlds of Science Fiction and Fantasy (Final Reading)
- Considered a Resolution for Bid Package #P-CEP-2 Tennis Court Award (First Reading)
- Approved a Resolution-Bid Package #MS-2 East and West Furniture Purchase (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution-Bid Package #T-8 2020 Bond Project Tech Contracts e-Rate Structured Cabling and Network Infrastructure (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution-Bid Package #T-9 Technology Related to 2020 Bond Projects HS-2A, HS-4, MS-2, HS-4A (Final Reading)

Celebrating Success

Member Christenson presented the VIPS Award (Volunteers in Public Schools) to the following Isbister Elementary School PTO committee members for dedicating their time, talents, and efforts to advocate for students and staff: **Erica Hudson, Amy Boyer, Judan Flanagan, Megan Vickers, Carrie Hyman, and Jessica McGrath.**

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Merritt conveyed sincere appreciation to the community on behalf of P-CCS for its continued support of the district, demonstrated by the resounding approval of the non-homestead millage renewal proposal at the polls on February 27.

She also invited community members to attend the annual P-CEP Athletics and Activities Extravaganza scheduled for Wednesday, March 20, 2024, from 6–7:30 p.m. This event provides an excellent opportunity for students and families to meet with representatives from our athletic programs and explore the more than 100 clubs and organizations offered at P-CEP.

While highlighting recent student and staff accomplishments, Superintendent Merritt congratulated **Madison Morson** of the Salem High School girls' basketball team, who was recently named a finalist for this year's *Mick McCabe Miss Basketball Award*,

recognizing the best high school players in the state. Additionally, **Brenda Johnson**, a resource room teacher at Discovery Middle School, was recognized for her recent selection as *Teacher of the Month* by Michigan State Representative Ranjee Puri, recognizing her efforts to help every child feel valued and supported.

A shout-out was also given to the P-CEP Science Olympiad team members for their recent awards and achievements received during recent team competitions. Additionally, she spoke about the award-winning P-CEP Lightning Robotics team, which recently unveiled "Rhapsody," the latest addition to their impressive line of robots, positioning them as one of the top teams in the world as they begin their competition season.

Superintendent Merritt thanked students of Ms. Hirsch's second-grade class at Isbister Elementary School for warmly welcoming her as their guest reader during the district's kickoff to *March Is Reading Month*, celebrating the importance of reading for young learners.

In closing, she spoke about the P-CCS Virtual Academy, which recently opened enrollment for the 2024-2025 school year. This innovative remote learning program offers flexibility for students who learn best outside the traditional classroom. Enrollment will remain open until April 5. Additional information is available on the P-CCS website.

Teaching & Learning – Beth Rayl

Beth Rayl, Chief Academic & Innovation Officer, and **Dr. Denise Lilly**, Executive Director of Elementary Education, gave a presentation to provide PCCS Elementary Program Highlights.

Finance & Operations – Jill Minnick

Jill Minnick, Chief Finance & Operations Officer, presented an overview of the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget Assumptions.

Treasurer Kehoe shared stakeholder feedback from the 2024-2025 Budget Community Survey.

Citizens' Comments

- **Jen Vos** spoke on the recent P-CEP Culinary Arts competition and teacher support
- **Chris Vos** spoke on facility conditions

Board Subcommittee Meetings

- SPA Committee
(Next Meeting: April 3, 2024 - 5 p.m.)
- Policy Committee
(Next Meeting: April 23, 2024 - 5:30 p.m.)
- Finance & Operations Committee
(Next Meeting: April 4, 2024 - 5 p.m.)
- Student Voice in Action Committee
(Next Meeting: March 18, 2024 - 6 p.m.)

Upcoming Board Meetings

- Regular Meeting - April 9, 2024 at 7 p.m.
- Special Meeting - April 16, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.
- Regular Meeting – April 23, 2024 at 7 p.m.