

Board Briefs

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



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May 14, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

Action Items/Discussion

- Approved the New Hire of **Deborah Stone** (Hoben/Isbister) and **Alexander Noroyan** (Discovery Principal)
- Approved the Resignation of **Susan McCoy** (Farrand)
- Approved the Retirement of **Timothy Gruszczynski** (Educational Support Center), **Marcia Lizzio** (Salem), **Rick Schlaud** (Bentley), **Vickie Shuler** (Admin. Building), **Susan Sourbeck** (Hulsing), **Maryann Stevens** (Plymouth) and **Noreen Watson** (Dodson)
- Approved the Tenure Recommendation of **Linda Norian** (Isbister)
- Approved the Regular Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2024
- Considered Policy #2210-Curriculum Development, Policy #5410-Promotion, Placement, & Retention, and Policy #2451-Alternative Education (First Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for a Cooperative Education Program Agreement between Livonia Public Schools and Plymouth-Canton Community Schools for the 2024-2025 School Year (First & Final Reading)
- Considered a Resolution to Purchase P-CEP Computer Lab Equipment (First Reading)
- Considered a Resolution to Purchase 200 Classroom Document Cameras (First Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for a Property Sale Agreement (Tanger Center Property-Five Mile Road) (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for Security Window Film (Final Reading)
- Approved a Resolution for Middle School Math Curriculum Materials (Final Reading)

Celebrating Success

Member Sidhu presented the Volunteers in Service Award (VIPS) to Whiteline Express, Ltd. and its dedicated employees in recognition of their ongoing support of our school district. Whiteline Express, a trucking company based in Plymouth, MI, has partnered with P-CCS for eight years helping distribute meals to district families in need during the holidays.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Merritt proudly announced that Canton, Plymouth, & Salem High Schools have earned prestigious rankings in the latest U.S. News and World Report assessment. These schools are among the top 50 high schools in Michigan and within the top 5% of public high schools nationwide. Specifically, Plymouth ranks 26th, Salem 29th, and Canton 31st in Michigan out of over 1,100 high schools surveyed in the state and 25,000 nationwide. She expressed gratitude to our exceptional teachers, staff, and administrators for their dedication to providing a world-class education and to our hardworking and committed students.

During Teacher Appreciation Week, P-CCS expressed gratitude to its talented educators with events across the district spotlighting their daily efforts to foster student success. Everyone is encouraged to support all staff members by contributing to the P-CEF "Thank a Teacher, Salute a Staff" Campaign. Each \$25 donation will honor

recipients with a personalized certificate of appreciation and recognition on the PCEF social media platforms. For donation details, please visit the P-CEF Facebook page.

She also highlighted the recent Ford Motor Company event held at the P-CEP campus to showcase the district's exceptional Career and Technical Education Programs. In addition to presenting their latest vehicles, the event highlighted the student-built electric car and hot rod. Blackwell Ford and Bill Brown Ford generously donated two 2024 Ford Mustangs and a 2022 Bronco Raptor to the P-CCS auto program. Representatives from Ford engaged with students, discussing career pathways and providing information about employment opportunities at local Ford dealerships.

Superintendent Merritt invited the community to attend the annual P-CCS K-12 Art Show this Saturday, May 18, in the Salem High School cafeteria. Artists from all grade levels will showcase their work, and awards will be presented to pieces from every age group.

She extended gratitude to the students, staff, and community volunteers whose efforts made this year's SJ5K charity race an outstanding success and illustrated the unity within the Plymouth-Canton community to positively help those in need.

In closing, Superintendent Merritt recognized the recent awards and accomplishments of district students, congratulating the East Middle School Science Olympiad team, members of the Plymouth High School and Pioneer Middle School E-Sports teams, middle school student participants in the State Civics Bee, and P-CEP video production students.

Student Services / Security – Kurt Tyszkiewicz

Josh Meier, Director of Safety and Security, presented an overview of the safety and security enhancements and updates implemented during the 2023-2024 school year.

Citizens' Comments

- **Mark LaPointe** spoke on the East Middle School gymnasium floor and the Canton HS Mascot.

Board Subcommittee Meetings

- SPA Committee
(Next Meeting: June 3, 2024 - 5 p.m.)
- Policy Committee
(Next Meeting: May 28, 2024 - 5:30 p.m.)
- Finance & Operations Committee
(Next Meeting: May 23, 2024 - 5 p.m.)

Upcoming Board Meetings

- Special Meeting – May 28, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.
- Regular Meeting – May 28, 2024, at 7 p.m.
- Regular Meeting – June 11, 2024, at 7 p.m.