

BOARD NOTES

Board of Education Regular Meeting – Thurs., Apr. 20, 2017

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Upcoming board meetings in May:

- Thurs. May 4, 2017, 5:30pm (regular meeting @ Malibu City Hall)
- Tues., May 16, 4:30pm (special meeting @ district office)
- Thurs. May 18, 2017, 5:30pm (regular meeting @ district office)

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The board took action on the following:

- The board approved the appointment of Dr. Susan Samarge-Powell as the new Director of Early Learning, following the departure of Dr. Alice Chung earlier this school year. Dr. Samarge-Powell is our current Principal of Webster ES. [Read more.](#)
- The board adopted a resolution honoring Adult Education Week, which is April 2-8, 2017. The resolution acknowledges our Adult Education program, which serves the local community by providing a range of critical educational programs (e.g., English as a Second Language and Citizenship courses and high school diploma and GED test prep), which support the economic and societal wellbeing of the community .
- The board appointed members to the Special Education District Advisory Committee (SEDAC). Appointments to the Early Child Care, Health & Safety, and Visual & Performing Arts DACs were made in March.

The board discussed the following:

- Educational Services staff presented information on the College Readiness Block Grant (CRBG), which was established to increase the number of high school students who enroll at institutions of higher education and complete an undergraduate degree within four years. Our district will be using these funds to help students dual-enrolled at SMC with the cost of college textbooks. The board will approve this at the next board meeting.
- The board discussed adopting a policy related to Debt Issuance and Management.

Special note:

- In honor of Week of the Young Child (4/24-4/28), preschool students from Teacher Elizabeth's class at McKinley sang a song about our planet, representing the unit they have studying about our environment.
- The board also recognized McKinley teacher Dr. LaShawn Moore, who was awarded the national Martin Luther King, Jr., Drum Major for Service in January.
- The board adjourned the meeting in memory of Santa Monica HS freshman Andre Zuczek and former SMMUSD student Leslie Hernandez

Upcoming board items (schedule subject to change):

- Resolution: Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month – *action on 5/4/17*
- Culturally-Responsive Teaching – *study session item on 5/4/17*
- Consider Adopting BP 3470 (Debt Issuance & Management) – *action on 5/4/17*
- Measure BB/ES Allocation & Budget Status – *discussion on 5/4/17*
- Consider Revising BP/AR 3515.2 (Disruptions) – *discussion on 5/4/17*
- Consider Adopting BP 3515.7 (Firearms on Campus) – *discussion on 5/4/17*
- Consider Revising BP/AR 3541.2 (Transportation for Students with Disabilities) – *discussion on 5/4/17*
- Consider Revising BP/AR 3553 (Free & Reduced Price Meals) – *discussion on 5/4/17*
- Consider Revising BP 3555 (Nutrition Program Compliance) – *discussion on 5/4/17*
- Consider Revising BP 3580 (District Records) – *discussion on 5/4/17*