Los Alamitos Unified School District



Highlights from the May 10, 2022 Board of Education Meeting

Board of Education: Megan Cutuli • Marlys Davidson • Scott Fayette • Chris Forehan • Diana D. Hill

There were several notable moments during the May 10, 2022 Board of Education meeting. The timestamps with each highlight will help you navigate directly to the point in the recorded meeting.

Workshop - 4:15 p.m.

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School Reports: Timestamp 2:30 - 26:30

Los Alamitos High School

The team from LAHS began their presentation with a breathtaking performance from the award-winning Los Alamitos Show Choir, which is the only Show Choir in competitive Show Choir history to achieve the accomplishment of winning 14 National Championships! Following their performance, LAHS Principal, Mrs. Kraus, presented to the community a recap of the 2021-22 school year. Highlights from the presentation included mental health and wellness initiatives (along with the upcoming opening of their new WellSpace), fostering inclusivity on campus through events like Griffin Games and Challenge Success, and offering relevant and rigorous academic courses, athletics and activities to all students.

Recognition: Timestamp 26:40 - 48:30

- Hero of the Heart, Los Alamitos High School, Rachael DeMarco
- Eagle Scout Awards
 - 18 LAHS students have achieved the Eagle Scout Award, which is the highest award available to youth members of the Boy Scouts of America.

Presentation: Timestamp 56:25 - 1:19:00

- Mental Health Overview: Mrs. Ondrea Reed, Deputy Superintendent and Mrs. Grace Delk, Director of Special Education and Mental Health
 - Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Delk gave an overview of the District's Mental Health Services and Monthly Wellness Initiatives. They also provided an update on Mental Health and Wellness staffing across the District for next year, which includes the addition of a new elementary school Wellness Counselor and an increase of a part time to a full time Mental Health Counselor.









Open Session - 6:30 p.m.

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Board President's report: Timestamp 4:30 - 14:50

Mrs. Diana Hill

Mrs. Hill's Board President's report highlighted upcoming promotions and graduations. She also highlighted various staff appreciation initiatives and celebrations from across the district. The "Did You Know" portion of Mrs. Hill's report focused on the Los Al USD hiring process, which includes a rigorous process with multiple layers to ensure the district is hiring the best possible candidates for positions.

Student Board Member Report: *Timestamp 15:05 - 24:30* Will Brandenberger

During Will's second to last report he highlighted:

- Academics: Senior Baccalaureate, which will take place on June 1 at 6:30 p.m.
- Activities: Prom, which will take place this Saturday, May 14, and Powderpuff football, with games coming up later this month.
- Athletics: Boys' Volleyball, Boys' Lacrosse, Softball, and Track
 - Track will compete in the CIF finals this weekend!
- Arts: Ghost Light Dance Show, which runs through the end of the week
- Teacher Spotlight, Mr. Caiati and Student Spotlight, Mimi Abusham, LAHS Soccer Center Forward

Superintendent's Report: *Timestamp 25:20 - 32:40* Dr. Andrew Pulver

Highlights from Dr. Pulver's report included:

- Armando Gomez, District Database Specialist, who was recently named one of nine California Classified Employees of the Year
- Los Alamitos Elementary School Assistant Principal Rick Larson, who was celebrated on May 9 as the OC Elementary Co-Administrator of the Year at the ACSA Region 17 Awards Dinner
- Summer Programs
 - Summer Academy at Hopkinson Elementary (K-4): June 20 July 15
 - Summer Bridge at Oak Middle School (5-8): June 20 July 15
 - LAHS Credit Recovery and Summer Bridge Program: June 20 July 22
 - o Camp Fun in the Sun Extended Day Care Summer Program (TK-5): June 15 August 9
 - Summer Enrichment Programs and Summer Camps through LAEF: June 20 July 15

Consent/Action Items: Timestamp 1:07:40 - 1:25:20

Below is a brief summary of the items the Board took action on:

- The Board approved the revised Facility User Group Rate and the User Group Priority Structure effective January 1, 2023
- The Board approved an overnight field trip for the Los Alamitos High School Football Team to Fort Lauderdale, Florida on August 25-28, 2022
 - LAHS Football players will have the opportunity to participate in a pre-season, ESPN-televised football game
- The Board approved to waive the use of facilities fees for Summer Harvest to use the parking lot at Oak Middle School for distribution of free meals to the community
- The Board approved the adoption of Retirement Resolutions
- The Board approved the adoption of Resolution No. 2021-2022-18 and Order of Biennial Trustee Election and Specifications of the Election Order
 - The election of Board Members whose terms expire on Dec. 9, 2022 will be held on Nov. 8, 2022

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