Los Alamitos Unified School District



Highlights from the October 10, 2023 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 October 10, 2023 Board of Education meeting. The timestamps with each highlight will help you navigate directly to the point in the recorded meeting.

Workshop - 4:30 p.m. YouTube Link to View

Workshop: Timestamp 1:00 - 20:00

 LAHS Advanced Film & Television Production -PEACE Week Video

Tuesday evening's workshop highlighted the Advanced Film and Production Class at Los Alamitos High School, a new addition to the Film and Television Pathway within the Career Technical Education (CTE) program. Led by Mr. Conner Brown, students in the class are collaborating with Communications and Public Information Officer Nichole Pichardo, to create content spotlighting various programs across the District. Their debut project, a district-wide spotlight on "PEACE Week," featured a short highlights video entirely produced, edited, and voiced over by the talented team at "Focus Studios."



The video can be viewed by clicking this link: 2023 PEACE Week Video

Open Session - 6:00 p.m.

YouTube Link to View

Board President's Report: *Timestamp 3:15 - 10:00* Mr. Chris Forehan

- Board President Forehan's report focused on the multitude of ways the District recognizes students. He
 highlighted various celebrations such as: student of the Month, "A for a Day," Monthly Character Awards,
 Flag ceremonies and more.
- President Forehan also highlighted the District's new employee recognition program, Los Al USD Rock Stars of the Month. The program was created to celebrate and honor the exceptional contributions made by our dedicated employees who consistently go above and beyond to make a positive impact within our District.

Student Board Member Report: *Timestamp 10:30 - 19:10* Joelle Kaiser

Joelle's Board report highlighted:

- Activities: Highlights from the Homecoming Assembly, Game and Dance
- Academics: LAHS College Mini Series, PSAT on Oct. 14 and the Pre ACT on Oct. 28
- Athletics: Girls Volleyball senior night on Oct. 10
 - o This year's team will begin Round 1 of CIF Playoffs on Oct. 17
- Arts: Show Choir's first show of the year, "Feel the Light"
- Student Life: Feature on Griffins with a Mission (GWAM)
 - The two-day GWAM retreat for all LAHS freshman, creates opportunities for inclusion, connection, and understanding of the range of cultures and personal experiences students bring to the student body.
- Student Spotlight: Senior Benjamin Pareti

Superintendent's Report: *Timestamp 20:15 - 30:20* Dr. Andrew Pulver

Dr. Pulver's report highlighted the following recent District events and activities:

- State of the District on Oct. 5
- Walk/Bike to School Day on Oct. 4 and Oct. 11
- Work-based learning opportunities for LAHS students
 - The LAHS CTE Department is inviting local businesses and local industry experts to partner with LAHS to provide students with real-world learning opportunities.
- College Mini Series: Financial Aid Night on Oct. 23 at 6 p.m. in the LAHS PAC
- Family Dinner Night in partnership with the OC Health Care Agency on Oct. 12

Information/Presentations: Timestamp 54:30 - 56:50

Presentation of Supplemental Materials

- The following supplemental material will be available for public preview for the next thirty days at the Los Alamitos Unified School District Office
 - Ripple Effects, for use by McAuliffe and Oak Middle School students, currently used in grades 9-12. Ripple Effects provides social emotional learning supplemental curriculum to be used by counselors, psychologists, mental health therapists, and administrators to provide student support.
 - Building Fact Fluency: Toolkits for Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, and Division, for use by students in grades K-5
 - Klara and the Sun by Kazuo Ishiguro, for use by AP English Literature classes
 - Romeo and Juliet by Gareth Hinds, for use by Los Alamitos High School English I Classes
- Quarterly report on Williams Uniform Complaints for July 1, 2023 through Sept. 30, 2023
 - The District has no complaints to report for this period

Consent/Action Items: Timestamp 56:50 - 1:25:00

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

- The Board approved the second reading and approval of revision to Board Policy 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirement.
 - Following the approval of Assembly Bill 181, Section 51225.31 mandates an alternative pathway to a high school diploma to be available for students with special needs. The new language shares qualifications for this alternative pathway for students on an Individualized Educational Plan (IEP).
- The Board approved and adopted the following Resolutions:
 - Resolution #2023-2024-07 Supporting Red Ribbon Week
 - Resolution #2023-2024-06 Authorizing Design-Build Construction of the CalShape Project and authoring entering into a contract with a qualified design-build entity, Pacific West Energy Solutions
 - Resolution #2023-2024-08 support to retain current eleven member Orange County Committee on School District Organization (a county committee)
- The Board approved a Master of Services Agreement with Hazel Health, Inc.
 - Through an agreement with Orange County Department of Education (OCDE), Hazel Health, Inc. will
 provide telehealth therapy services to students in Los Alamitos Unified School District.
- The Board approved the following supplemental materials:
 - Le capybara botte by Mira Canion
 - Felipe Alou l'histoire d'un grand champion by Carol Gaab
- The Board approved an agreement to utilize a California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) contract to Astroturf Corporation for synthetic turf replacement at Los Alamitos High School