Los Alamitos Unified School District



Highlights from the April 16, 2024 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 April 16, 2024 Board of Education meeting. The timestamps with each highlight will help you navigate directly to the point in the recorded meeting.

Workshop - 4:00 p.m. YouTube Link to View

School Report: Lee Elementary School: *Timestamp: 1:00 - 39:00*The Lee community packed the Boardroom with students and staff for their annual presentation to the Board. Our Lee Leopards presentation began with a beautiful patriotic performance followed by their school song, "We are FamiLee! Following the performance, Lee's 5th grade student representatives joined Principal Mr. Willems for a presentation about the magic behind the FamiLee! Their presentation concluded with honoring the Lee Hero of the Heart, Mrs. Kirsten Powers.









Teacher of the Year:
Mrs. Lisa Haygood
Timestamp: 39:30 - 59:00
During the workshop, we honored our
District Teacher of the Year, third-grade
teacher at Lee Elementary, Mrs. Lisa

Haygood.





Open Session - 6:00 p.m. YouTube Link to View

Board President's Report: Timestamp 2:30 - 9:20

During her presentation, President Cutuli highlighted April as the Month of the Military Child and discussed the many ways the District celebrates and supports our military families. She also praised McGaugh Elementary for their recent Purple Star recognition by the California Department of Education, the only school in Orange County to receive this award. As part of her series on "What do Board Members Do?, President Cutuli discussed what the Board does during Closed Session and how they report out on items discussed during this portion of the meeting. To close her report, President Cutuli paid tribute to Board Vice President Marlys Davidson for her remarkable 30 years of dedicated service and tenure within the District.

Student Board Member Report: *Timestamp 9:40 - 16:15* Joelle Kaiser

During her report, Joelle focused on:

- Activities: Highlights from the annual Griffin Games
- Academics: the annual College and Career Fair
- Athletics: Track and Field season highlights
- Arts: Mr. Long's Digital Art class
- Student Life: Griffin News
- Student Spotlight: Zach Zonni, Senior and member of the jazz band

Superintendent's Report: *Timestamp 17:15 - 39:00* Dr. Andrew Pulver

Dr. Pulver began his report by recognizing our 2024 Employees of the Year. He then highlighted our February Rock Stars of the Month, Certificated Rock Star Ms. Jennifer Bellendir, teacher at McAuliffe Middle School, and Classified Rock Star, Ms. Laura Younger, School Nurse at Rossmoor Elementary. He continued by highlighting the various site visits he and the Board participated in throughout the year, and also emphasized the significance of the solar eclipse, underscoring both its entertaining and educational impact on our students. Dr. Pulver then handed over the microphone to Ms. Vicky Vu, who, on behalf of the Los Alamitos High School PTA in partnership with the Los Alamitos Youth Center, surprised Board Member Chris "Papa" Forehan with the Elected Official Honorary Service Award.





Introduction of Director of Information Technology

Dr. Pulver introduced the newest member of the Los Al USD Administrative Team, our new Director of Information Technology, Mr. Derrick Chan.

Information/Presentation: Timestamp 1:17:30 - 1:23:30

- Presentation of Measure K and Measure G Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee Annual Report for 2022-23 presented by Ms. Paurvi Trivedi, Chairperson, Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee
 - o Ms. Trivedi reported no findings with respect to the financials statements of the bonds
- Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints for January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024
 - No complaints were filed within this quarter

Consent/Action Items: Timestamp 1:23:45 - 1:52:25

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

- The Board approved the adoption of the following resolutions:
 - Resolution 2023-24-22 in recognition of Classified Employees
 - Resolution 2023-24-23 in recognition of Day of the Teacher
 - Resolution 2023-24-24 in recognition of Day of the Administrator
- The Board approved the second reading of the following Board Policies:
 - Revised Board Policy 5131.2, Bullying
 - New Board Policy 5116.2, Involuntary Student Transfers
- The Board approved the following supplemental materials: Summer Scholars Language Arts &
 Mathematics, Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass by Fredrick Douglass, and The Way to Rainy
 Mountain by N. Scott Momaday
- The Board unanimously voted against receiving a 5% increase in their monthly compensation
- The Board approved a CMAS contract and accepted five bids for upcoming classroom renovation and roofing projects to take place over the summer
- The Board approved eight new classified job classifications and job descriptions