



# CARMEL USD BOARD BRIEFS

SPOTLIGHTING INFORMATION FROM AND ACTIONS OF  
THE CARMEL UNIFIED BOARD OF EDUCATION

## *Meeting of March 8, 2023*

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### **Organization of the Board of Education**

- **Election of the Board President:** The Board elected Sara Hinds as President of the Board to serve until December.
  - **Election of the Board Clerk:** The Board elected Karl Pallastrini as Clerk of the Board to serve until December.
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### **Consent Items - The Board unanimously approved the Consent Calendar Items (4,0)**

**The Board and District wish to recognize and thank:** Padre Parents for their generous donation of an iPad to CHS, Dustin Nagai for their generous donation of a Nissan Maxima to CHS, and San Joaquin Delta College for their generous donation of consumable auto body materials to CHS.

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### **Action/Discussion/Information Items**

- **The Board received an overview of and determined the procedure to fill the board vacancy:** On February 16, 2023, Tess Arthur provided her resignation from the Board to the Monterey County Superintendent of Schools. This created a vacancy for the remainder of the term to which she was elected in 2022. The Education Code provides that the Board may either appoint an individual to fill the seat until the next regular Board elections (2024) or call a special election to fill the seat. The Board must make an appointment or call a special election by April 17, 2023, or the County Superintendent is required to call a special election. The Board received information about its options and provided direction to fill the vacancy via appointment. In the appointment process, the Board is required to form a Board subcommittee. The Board voted that the subcommittee will consist of Sara Hinds and Anne Marie Rosen. The Board will accept applications from March 10-24 and make the appointment at a special meeting on March 31. More information will be forthcoming.
  - **The Board received [a presentation](#) on and approved the Transportation Plan for the 22-23 and 23-24 school years:** The District is required to provide a transportation plan to qualify for reimbursement as shown in the transportation plan revenue calculation.
  - **The Board adopted Resolution No. 23-02 Designating Musco Sports Lighting as a Specific Material, Product, Thing, or Service for the Carmel High School Stadium Improvements:** The District will be obtaining bids for construction contracts for the Carmel High School Stadium Improvements Project. District staff recommended the Resolution and the Board approved the designation of Musco Sports Lighting as the only acceptable material, product, thing, or service for the Project. The District needs to use Musco Sports Lighting to match products in use at Carmel High School, because the District has used and developed experience with Musco Sports Lighting's control system for the existing swimming pool lights. Additionally, the District needs to use Musco Sports Lighting for the Project to obtain a necessary item that is only available from one source, because Musco Sports Lighting's Total Light Control for Light Emitting Diode system is a proprietary lighting system that is not available from other sources.
  - **The Board received [a presentation](#) on and approved the [Second Interim Budget Report](#):** The Second Interim Budget Report provides a financial update of the District's current General Fund budget and other restricted purpose funds from the reporting period of July 1, 2022 through January 31, 2023, and provides an updated budget projection through June 30, 2023.
  - **The Board approved the [Child Development Programs 2023-24 Fee Schedule](#):** As costs of operation increase year over year, it is necessary to raise tuition rates accordingly. In order to provide families with timely notice of the fee schedule, we target the March Board Meeting to seek board approval for fees to be charged in the subsequent year. The Board approved the new rates, with an approximate 8% increase for the 2023-24 school year.
  - **The Board approved Resolution No. 23-03 Declaring the Robinson Canyon Barn Property as Surplus, Exempting the District from Appointing a 7-11 Committee, and Authorizing District Staff to**
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**Provide the Statutory Priority Notices to Public Entities:** CUSD owns real property (APN 169-131-005), consisting of approximately 1,800 square feet of land, including a storage building containing approximately 1,187 square feet, located at 27885 Robinson Canyon Road in Carmel Valley, Monterey County, California, 93923 (“Robinson Barn Property”). The Robinson Barn Property was donated to the District, and the Certificate of Acceptance of Gift Deed was signed on March 11, 2002 by Superintendent Marvin Biasotti. District staff recommended that the Board exempt the District from appointing a 7-11 Committee in order to streamline the surplus property process. The building on the Robinson Barn Property has, in the past, been used by the District for storage purposes, but is of low cost construction quality and is presently in poor condition. The District has never used the Robinson Barn Property for educational purposes, and given the small size of the parcel and condition of the building, use of the property for school purposes is infeasible. District staff recommended that the Board declare the property surplus to the District’s educational needs because the District does not have a current or anticipated future use or need for the Robinson Barn Property. The Board adopted this resolution which declared the Robinson Barn Property as surplus to the District’s educational needs, exempted the District from appointing a 7-11 Committee, and authorized District staff to proceed with providing the statutory priority notices to public entities.

- **The Board of Education approved the administration of the California Healthy Kids Survey in the 2022-23 school year:** Per the California Department of Education website, “the California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS) is an anonymous, confidential survey of school climate and safety, student wellness, and youth resiliency. It is administered to students at grades five, seven, nine, and eleven. It enables schools and communities to collect and analyze data regarding local youth health risks and behaviors, school connectedness, school climate, protective factors, and school violence. The CHKS is part of a comprehensive data-driven decision-making process on improving school climate and student learning environment for overall school improvements. At the heart of the CHKS is a research-based core module that provides valid indicators to promote student engagement and achievement, safety, positive development, health, and overall well being.” Student participation is voluntary and anonymous at each grade level; however, the content of the questions is different. The elementary survey gathers information on developmental supports provided to youth; school connectedness and barriers to learning; behaviors such as physical activity and nutritional habits; alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use; and school safety. In addition to these topics, the secondary survey gathers information on risk of depression and suicide and protected class identifiers such as sexual orientation and gender identity. No names are recorded or attached to the survey, participating students may skip questions they don’t want to answer, and may choose not to complete the survey at any juncture. The data from the core survey are required for ongoing funding from the Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) grant. Additionally, these data fulfill the LCAP requirement for inclusion of metrics on school connectedness and school safety. CUSD has been administering this survey biennially since the 2008-2009 school year and results can be found on the [CalSCHLS website](#). The Board approved the administration of the survey.

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***The next Regular Meeting of the Carmel Unified Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, at Carmel Middle School Library at 5:30 p.m.***