

CARMEL USD BOARD BRIEFS

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

Meeting of April 6, 2022

The Board and District wish to thank Michael Stephens, a senior at Carmel Valley High School, for leading us in the pledge of allegiance this evening.

Consent Items - Board unanimously approved the Consent Calendar Items (5,0)

Action/Discussion/Information Items

- The Board approved the request for instructional materials adoption High School Mathematics, as presented: This the culmination of a two-year process. During the first year, the CUSD Mathematics Instructional Leadership Team made up of teachers across all levels, instructional coaches, and administrators engaged in a year-long professional development program regarding developing vision and priorities around mathematics for the district, and developing a systematic process for adopting high quality, standards aligned instructional resources. The process continued with the establishment of the High School Mathematics Adoption Committee made up of CHS teachers of integrated mathematics as well as the CMS teacher of integrated mathematics. The Committee narrowed down highly rated standards aligned programs ultimately selecting two programs to pilot this fall. After the piloting process the committee reviewed their data in relation to the priorities established and came to consensus around the recommendation to Reveal Mathematics by McGraw Hill. High school and district staff along with students responded to questions from the Board regarding the instructional materials.
- The Board received a <u>presentation</u> on the Superintendent's Student Advisory Council: The Superintendent's Student Advisory Council aims to amplify and elevate student voices to serve as a bridge between the school board, the district and students to create positive change in our schools and district. The Superintendent along with members of the Council presented an overview of the creation and selection process, the initial meetings the Council has held this school year, next steps for this year and plans for next year's Council. Students and staff responded to a variety of questions from the Board.
- The Board received a <u>presentation</u> on the district's communications efforts: The Director of Communications and Community Relations gave a presentation on the 2021-22 Communications and Community Engagement Audit Report and an overall update on the district's communications efforts since September 2021. CUSD is committed to effective communication throughout the school system and the communities it serves, and have made engagement and communication goals for the district. Key observations and recommendations were shared as well as additional recommendations that have already been implemented, including:
 - Increasing, improving and refining our COVID communications, including the development of a two-page COVID Response Plan from the 126-page plan
 - The new CPRA webpage where requests and records are now shared online to further improve transparency within our community. The district has also created a new standard form to receive requests so that we can ensure all requests are received and responded to within legal timelines.
 - The district is also dedicated to increasing celebrations through various channels

The next Meeting of the Carmel Unified Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, April 27, 2022, at Carmel Middle School Library at 5 p.m.