

PUSD Board of Trustees

Board Brief

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Students recognized for the Character Trait of INTEGRITY (from left to right): Amanda Koobatian (8th grade Hart), Melanie Woo (8th grade Hart), Shanth Gopalswamy (8th grade Hart), Payton Schuh (6th grade Hart), Carlos Vicente (2nd grade Valley View), and Isaac Cisneros (2nd grade Mohr).



Mr. Darian Shimy (center with his daughters), a parent at Walnut Grove was honored for developing and launching "Future Fund", an online program that many schools utilized this year to improve the walk through registration process with great success.

Item 13.1: Report and Discussion of the 2014-15 CCSS (Common Core State Standards) Mathematics Pathways and Instructional Materials Pilot Process

The transition to Common Core State Standards (CCSS) necessitates many shifts as it relates to Mathematics. This presentation provided information about the instructional materials pilot process currently underway in our District. In response to the changing standards and new classroom methodologies, new instructional materials aligned to the CCSS must be obtained. Our teachers, assisted by our Math Instructional Coaches, Duane Habecker and Debi Mintz, are in the process of investigating and piloting materials to meet this need.

Outcome: Item for discussion only. A website has been created: CCSS Math Information for Parents. This is a helpful resource for parents of students at all levels and is available on the PUSD District website. California colleges and universities have endorsed CCSS as well. Click here to see the Letter from UC, CSU, CCC, and AICCU Leaders to the State Board of Education.

Item 13.2: Report and Discussion of the First Reading of Board Policy Series 6000, Instruction (Series 1 of 4)

Staff has reviewed current Board Policies (BP) and Administrative Regulations (AR) 6020, 6112, 6115, 6141, 6141.2, 6142.1, and 6142.8. Following the CSBA recommended Board Policies, staff recommends adopting 6020, 6112, 6115, 6141, 6141.2, 6142.1, and 6142.8. The BP's and AR's are being presented for First Reading.

Outcome: This item was for discussion only. The Board Policy Series 6000 will come back for a second reading.