

Board Meeting on April 20, 2023

The Solana Beach School District (SBSD) Board of Education convened in the Skyline School Theater, and introduced, discussed, and took action on topics relating to: an honoring of the life and legacy of Ms.Shiela Cullins, recognition of SBSD Employees of the Year (EOY), updates regarding School and Districtwide equity work and traveling social-emotional learning team, donations to the SBSD, approval of the Measure JJ Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee 2021-2022 Annual Report, and an updated timeline for Solana Ranch HVAC replacement project.

Highlights from the Meeting

Honoring Ms. Shiela Cullins

SBSD recognized the vibrant life of an exceptional teacher, colleague, and friend, Ms. Shiela Cullins. Shiela gifted SBSD students, staff, and the community with a legacy of excellence, dedication, and love for her students. SBSD is beyond grateful for her many contributions to our schools and community. Ms. Cullins' spirit will live on through the lives of students that she touched. SBSD honors Shiela for 16 years of dedicated service to students and colleagues of SBSD.

Recognition of SBSD Employees of the Year 2023

Friends, families, staff, and community members were present to help the SBSD Board of Education and community celebrate and honor Employees of the Year for the 2022-23 school year. SBSD recognized Robin Kilsby, teacher at Solana Pacific School, as SBSD's Certificated EOY, and Jennifer Nam, Instructional Assistant at Carmel Creek School, as SBSD's Classified EOY. The success of SBSD, as a whole, is due to our talented teachers, staff, and support personnel at all levels. Thank you SBSD employees for all your hard work. Here is a complete list of all employees recognized:

Site	Classified Employee of the Year	Certificated Employee of the Year
Skyline	Tracy Mueller, Instructional Assistant II	Danielle Schulte, STREAM Teacher
Solana Vista	Katie Labbe, Instructional Assistant II	Amy Pobst, 2nd Grade Teacher
Solana Highlands	Leila Sehovic-Murphy, Instructor - Art	Rob Bell, Kindergarten Teacher
Solana Santa Fe	Corey Felter, Instructional Assistant II	Jackie Gillies, Education Specialist-M/M
Carmel Creek	Jennifer Nam, Instructional Assistant II	Tiffany Farnsworth, STREAM Teacher
Solana Pacific	Amanda Wright, School Office Assistant	Robin Kilsby, 6th Grade Teacher
Solana Ranch	Eva Montague, School Office Assistant	Kaylynn Pfister, Psychologist
District Office Pre-School	Mary Vaccarino, Administrative Assistant IV	Kara Finney, APE Teacher
District Office	Steve Choo-Murphy, Delivery Driver/PM Custodian	

Updates regarding School and Districtwide equity work

In alignment with the SBSD Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and each site School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) goals, a presentation provided by the Principals of all SBSD school sites, highlighted how each school is incorporating an equity lens through all learning and social experiences. Refining the sense of belonging at SBSD school sites has included student voice and input. Infusing diversity, equity, and inclusion practices into the everyday interactions and instruction of students has enabled a steady focus on a sense of belonging across all school sites. SBSD's equity journey, to positively impact student learning experiences, is a direct representation of living out SBSD's mission and vision, specifically capturing the voices of students and amplifying for all to hear.

Updates regarding the Traveling Social-Emotional Learning Team

In one year, of a two-year commitment, the Traveling Social-Emotional Learning Team (SEL) team has worked alongside school-level staff to develop systems and structures that help students recognize behaviors, build capacity for understanding and celebrating differences, and strengthen social-emotional learning supports for students and staff. Together, the traveling SEL team and school site staff have been able to help school sites build sustainable school communities.

Donations to the Solana Beach School District

The SBSD Board of Education accepted an incredible donation of \$327,050.07 from The Solana Beach Schools Foundation. The generous donations our families make continue to support endless learning and growing opportunities through SBSD Discovery Labs. These experiences provide supplemental instruction for STREAM (science, technology, research, engineering, arts, math), as well as, physical education. SBSD also accepted donations, benefiting the following programs:

- → The Solana Santa Fe PTO provided a donation of \$42,945.19, to support personnel, materials, and supplies for the 2022-23 school year.
- → The Solana Highlands PTA provided a donation of \$3,754.00 to support personnel, materials, and supplies for Solana Highlands School for the 2022-23 school year.
- → The Solana Beach Elementary PTA provided a donation of \$3,726.00 to support personnel, materials, and supplies for Solana Vista School for the 2022-23 school year.

Overall, the SBSD Board of Education accepted an additional \$53,361.15 in donations that will positively impact students, curriculum, and instruction at all school sites.

Approval of the Measure JJ Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee 2021-2022 Annual Report

Upon review of the audit completed by Christy White, Inc., the Board of Education accepted the SBSD 2021-2022 Measure JJ Bond Building Fund Audit Report, year ending June 30, 2022, which will provide funding for school and classroom improvements across all SBSD school sites.

Solana Ranch HVAC Replacement Project and kindergarten playground expansion.

On January 19, 2023, the Board approved the scope of work, project timeline, and an estimated project budget. Due to supply chain constraints, district staff provided an updated scope, and timeline for the project. The anticipated completion of the project is now November 2024.

Upcoming Board Meeting

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Next Regular Board Meeting

May 18, 2023, @ 6:30 p.m. - Skyline School

