



Cotati Rohnert Park Unified School District

Board Highlights

Board Highlights provides important information about the work of the Cotati Rohnert Park Unified School District's Board of Education. Following Board meetings on a regular basis, CRPUSD will publish Board Highlights as a resource for the greater CRPUSD community on Board discussions, actions, and activity.

Below are updates from the August 15, 2023 Board Meeting. Click [HERE](#) for the agenda.

Appointment of Superintendent

The Cotati-Rohnert Park Unified School District (CRPUSD) Board of Education appointed Maité Iturri as the district's new Superintendent, effective September 1, 2023. Ms. Iturri will succeed Superintendent Dr. Mayra Perez, who will retire on October 31, 2023.

Oath of Office to 2023-2024 Student Board Members

Michelle Wing, Board President, welcomed our student board members Naomi Hernandez and Samantha Petri and administered the oath of office to them.

Richard Crane Presentation on Social Emotional Learning

Principal Teresa Ruffoni and Kristin Ikalani, 5th Grade teacher, provided the Board of Education with an overview of the Social Emotional Learning and a Everyday Speech, a new program being implemented at the elementary schools. Everyday Speech defines social emotional learning as follows: Social Emotional Learning helps us grow as individuals by developing an understanding of ourselves and others based on our unique and shared experiences. Everyday lessons include a warm-up, a 10 minute video lesson, a review of what was learned, and pre/post assessments. The goal of SEL is to improve the mental health, academic performance, and social relationships of students and staff. The school looks forward to sharing their successes with the community.

Approval of Board Meeting Date Change

The Board of Education voted to change the September 2023 meeting date from September 5th to September 12th.

Fiscal Update and Planning Presentation

John Bartolome, CBO, provided an update on the state budget to the Board of Education. The state will be funding school districts as promised at the time of the May revise. Categorical funding will remain stable which is better than what the state had originally planned for. Although the budget news is positive there are many unknowns and there is some risk. The district budget does not require any changes at this time.