The Board heard an update on the English Learner Program. This annual update documented a 20% increase in the percentage of English learners meeting or exceeding standards in the English Language Arts portion of the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment from 2015 to 2017. A 15% increase was observed in Mathematics. Eighty-nine percent of English learners were classified as making progress in 2017, according to California Dashboard standards. There was an overall decline in the district in the number of English learners, from 674 in 2016 to 607 in 2017.

Kathleen Marte, an AUSD parent, was appointed as our Community Advisory Committee Representative to the North Region Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA).

The Albany High School Behavior Matrix was approved. This document has been a work in progress for over a year and incorporates input from students, teachers, site administration, and parents. The AHS matrix is part of a larger effort to align behavior expectations at all Albany schools, so that students can rely on consistency as they move from one school to the next. This new Behavior Matrix moves away from an emphasis on consequences to increased support for accountability, responsibility, social/emotional and social justice competencies. It will be available soon on the AHS website under “Students”.

Contracts were approved for soil testing and for an environmental review at Ocean View Elementary in preparation for the construction project.

Lastly, the Board Trustee school liaison assignments were determined.
Albany Children’s Center--Jacob Clark
Cornell Elementary--Paul Black
Marin Elementary--Jacob Clark
Ocean View Elementary--Charlie Blanchard
Albany Middle School--Ross Stapleton-Gray
Albany High School--Kim Trutane

These are my personal notes, any mistakes are my own. Trustee Kim Trutane