

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
May 11, 2016**

Convene Closed Session

Board President Thompson called this Regular Meeting Closed Session to order at 5:36 p.m. in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

Public Comments for Closed Session Agenda Items

GSCFT President Kirschen asked the Trustees not to take action to rescind a leave for an employee in the bargaining unit.

Convene Open Session

Board President Thompson called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:36 p.m. in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

Attendance at Meeting

Sheila Coonerty	Deedee Perez-Granados	Jeremy Shonick	
Patricia Threet	Alisun Thompson	Deb Tracy-Proulx	Claudia Vestal

Student Representative Aren Pageler, Harbor High School

Absent: Student Representative Ella Carroll, Santa Cruz High School

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Angela Meeker, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Jim Monreal, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Molly Parks, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Members of the Audience

Welcome and Format

Board President Thompson welcomed those in attendance and explained the format used for this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

Agenda Changes

Board Recording Secretary Lentz reported that the agenda had previously listed Item 8.3.6. as Resolution 47-15-16 but the number has been corrected to Resolution 46-15-16. The information for the item is not changed, just the number of the resolution. Superintendent Munro asked to have Item 8.3.5. New Business Resolution 45-15-16 Final Layoffs immediately follow Item 8.3.1. Celebration of Adult School. There are several people in the audience who are here specifically to discuss this item.

Superintendent's Remarks Prior to Public Comments

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

The Superintendent gave special Thanks to the Santa Cruz Education Foundation for another wonderful Eddy Awards Celebration last week and is grateful to our SCEF partners for their tireless efforts to celebrate our schools, teachers, support staff and students. Superintendent Munro congratulated the Santa Cruz High School team for a successful WASC visit and six year accreditation, with special thanks to Steve Kopald, Michelle Hubbard and Stacy Newsome-Kerr for leading the self-study process. This Sunday is the annual Guelaguetza celebration. Please come to Harbor High School for a wonderful celebration of Mexican indigenous culture – dance, music, food, and arts. This event is an incredible collaboration between district staff volunteers and parents. Tickets and more information are on the dais for trustees. The official State Ceremony and Dinner for our Elementary Gold Ribbon Schools took place last week. Bay View and Gault were also recognized as Title I Achieving Schools and Westlake was recognized as an Arts Achieving School. It was a great evening. On May 4, Superintendent Munro was able to meet with Supervisor Coonerty to discuss facilities master planning. On May 6, Principals, Assistant Principals, Response to Intervention Coordinators and Coaches came together to begin to format the Santa Cruz City Schools plan for professional learning in 2016-17. This work will continue with our Santa Cruz Instructional Leaders and sites to refine planning and

Student Representatives' Reports

The Production of “The Little Mermaid” wrapped up last weekend to a sold out audience. AP Testing continues through May 13. Auditions for the final theater production of the year will begin soon. Congratulations to Eddy Awards winner Harbor High School Science Teacher Chris Carlson. The Global Student Embassy received the well-deserved Eddy Green Award - the work that this group accomplishes around campus really shows.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

Board Member Tracy-Proulx thanked the Santa Cruz Education Foundation for another wonderful Eddy Awards ceremony and congratulate all awards recipients. Ms. Tracy-Proulx also thanked the parents and students of Harbor High School for the campus beautification/clean-up day on April 24. The Gault Elementary School Pancake Breakfast was well attended by not only Gault families but by the neighborhood/community as well. Trustee Tracy-Proulx attended the Harbor High School Booster Club Meeting to discuss the potential facilities bond. Board Member Tracy-Proulx will attend the CSBA Delegate Assembly meeting on May 14 and May 15 at which topics of discussion will include teacher shortages and potential changes to the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) template and process.

Board Member Perez-Granados was pleased to attend both the Eddy Awards and the Ad Hoc Facilities Committee meeting since the Board of Education last met on April 27.

Board Member Shonick commented on the lovely memorial service he attended at Bay View Elementary for retired custodian Mike Wehrman, who was a long time staff member at Bay View and a very important part of the school community. After his retirement in 2002, Mike volunteered his time at the school, and continued

to lead a legendary kickball game every day during recesses for a total of over thirty years. It is important to remember that school leaders may not always be administrators or teachers.

Board Member Vestal attended the 61st Annual Santa Cruz Art League High School Art Show and was pleased to see all of the Santa Cruz City Schools high schools well represented. Ms. Vestal attended the Eddy Awards and acknowledged the wonderful work of all of our employees as well as our important community partners. Trustee Vestal attended the Delta Charter School Open House. Delta has twenty-one grade 12 students who have received scholarships to Cabrillo Community College. Congratulations.

Board Member Coonerty congratulated Santa Cruz High School on their six-year WASC accreditation as she knows they have worked hard towards this goal. Dr. Coonerty attended the Ad Hoc Facilities Committee meeting where many ideas are shared and explored – and has noticed that sometimes these conversations float out to the community and are misreported. Dr. Coonerty was very impressed by the Eddy Awards and also encouraged everyone to attend the Guelaguetza – a wonderful event with great food. Dr. Coonerty has made the decision to campaign for reelection to the school board in November, 2016.

Board President's Report

Board President Thompson attended the Eddy Awards and the Gold Ribbon Schools Awards dinner in Santa Clara, and is delighted to be part of a district where staff members go “above and beyond” and are recognized by the district and the community. Board President Thompson attended the Harbor High School production of “The Little Mermaid” several times, and would like to acknowledge Performing Arts Teacher Kathy Warner for her commitment to build student leadership. The Board President attended the DeLaveaga Elementary Parent Teacher Club meeting, and looks forward to the first meeting of the Santa Cruz City Schools LGBT Task Force on Wednesday, May 18, 4:00 p.m., location TBD.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MSP (Perez-Granados/Vestal) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 20, 2016, as submitted. Student Pageler recommended a yes vote on this matter.
2. MSP (Perez-Granados/Vestal) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Study Session of April 20, 2016, as submitted. Student Pageler abstained from making a recommendation.
3. MSP (Coonerty/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Joint Board/BAC Meeting on April 27, 2016, as submitted. Student Pageler abstained from making a recommendation.

Consent Agenda

Ms. Vestal moved approval of the Consent Agenda consisting of: Item 8.1.1. Personnel Actions – *Certificated*; Item 8.1.2. Personnel Actions – *Classified*; Item 8.1.3. Purchase Orders; Item 8.1.4. Warrant Register; Item 8.1.5. CIF Designees for 2016-17; Item 8.1.6. Update of Board Policy 4030 Nondiscrimination in Employment; Item 8.1.7. 3rd Quarter Investment Report; Item 8.1.8. Out of State Travel – Special Education; Item 8.1.9.1.1. Contract: Superintendent's Office-BoardPad 2016-17; Item 8.1.9.1.2.1. Agreement: Business Service-Verde Design; Item 8.1.9.2.2 Agreement Business Services-Lease Agreement 133 Mission Street, Santa Cruz, CA; Item 8.1.9.2.3. Contract: Business Services-AT&T; Item 8.1.9.2.4. Contract: Business Services-Dicar Networks; Item 8.1.9.3.1. Consultant Service Agreement: Business Services-Jerene Lacey; Item 8.1.9.4.1. Agreement: Educational Services/Special Education-Non Public Agency; Item 8.1.10. Disposition of Surplus Property. Dr. Coonerty seconded the motion. The motion was passed by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Coonerty – Yes Perez-Granados – Yes Shonick – Yes Threet – Yes
Thompson – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes Vestal – Yes

Student Pageler recommended a yes vote on this matter.

8.2 Closed Session Actions Report

- 8.2.1. The Board of Education took action on the Certificated/Classified/Management Leaves, Retirements, Resignations and appointments. Mr. Robert Shemwell was approved as the 2016-17 Assistant Superintendent, Business Services.
- 8.2.2. The Board of Education heard an update from and provided direction to designated representative Molly Parks regarding negotiations with the GSCFT K-12 Unit.
- 8.2.3. The Board of Education heard an update from and provided direction to designated representative Molly Parks regarding negotiations with the SCCCE.
- 8.2.4. The Board of Education heard an update from Ms. Meeker regarding a Special Education Settlement Agreement for Case No. 2015120042 and 2016030462.

ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED

8.3.1 Staff Report: Celebration of Adult Education

Ms. Parks reported that Santa Cruz Adult School was established in 1919 and has prepared a diverse population of adult learners for success in the community as problem solvers, communicators, creative individuals, community contributors and lifelong learners. Adult Education offers parent education, ESL, GED, basic skills and community enrichment courses to 3,000 adults annually. Ms. Parks acknowledged many long-term teachers and staff members present in the audience this evening, as well as the Santa Cruz Parent Education Nursery Schools (SCPENS). Adult School Teacher Rebecca Weber introduced California Adult School Student Success of 2016 Samantha Throop. Ms. Weber nominated Ms. Throop for this prestigious honor because she thoroughly demonstrates the power of returning to school and seeking education to better one's life. Ms. Throop will attend an event in November 2016 to receive a plaque from the State of California. Ms. Weber also read a letter from former student Alejandra Santiago, detailing her arrival from Oaxaca, Mexico, in 1990 and her educational and career success that was strongly supported by her experience with the Santa Cruz City Schools Adult School English as a Second Language Program. Staff Members who were present at the meeting were called forward to receive a certificate from Ms. Parks and Superintendent Munro.

Recess: Board President Thompson called for a short recess to share cake and conversation with the Adult School Team at 7:08 p.m.

Reconvene: Board President Thompson reconvened this meeting at 7:13 p.m.

8.3.5. New Business: Resolution 45-15-16 Final Reductions for GSCFT K-12 Unit for 2016-17

Ms. Parks reported that these final reductions for services for 2016-17 are .33 FTE for the Arts. When reductions were first identified using Master Schedules for the 2016-17 year, 6 FTE were identified. Most of those reductions were mitigated through retirement, leaves of absence, etc. The end result of the process is the loss of two sections at Santa Cruz High School. Following clarifying questions from the Trustees, a discussion took place among Board Members, Administration, Staff Members, Bargaining Unit members, and Members of the Public. Dr. Perez-Granados moved approval of the resolution and Dr. Coonerty seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Coonerty – Yes Perez-Granados – Yes Shonick – Yes Threet – Yes
Thompson – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes Vestal – Yes

Student Pageler abstained from making a recommendation on the motion.

8.3.2 Staff Report: English Learner Report

Ms. Meeker reported on the results of the California English Language Development Test (CELDT) and the Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives (AMAO). Information included the annual increase in the number of English Learners making progress in English (1year's growth on the CELDT in one year's time) and the percent of English Learners attaining English proficiency as measured by the CELDT in less than five years vs. five years or more. Next steps include instruction through the English Language Arts/English Development Task Force and the design and implementation of integrated English Language Development (ELD); expansion of newcomer support; training for teachers on the English Learner proficiency profile; targeted after-school and homework programs for English Learners; increasing the Community Coordinator position in secondary grades to better connect families with schools. The Trustees asked clarifying questions, made comments, and heard discussion from those in attendance at the meeting. This report was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.3 Staff Report: Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Revisions for 2016-17

Ms. Meeker reported that the new Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and annual update template is used to provide details regarding local educational agencies' (LEAs') actions and expenditures to support pupil outcomes and overall performance pursuant to Education Code. For school districts, the LCAP must describe, for the school district and each school within the district, goals and specific actions to achieve those goals for all pupils and each subgroup of pupils identified in Education Code section 52052 (English Learners, Foster Youth, Low Income), including pupils with disabilities, for each of the state priorities and any locally identified priorities. Recommendations for elementary and secondary revisions to the 2016-17 LCAP were presented prior to the public hearing on June 15th for discussion and review. This report was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.4. Staff Report: Food Services and Wellness Committee

Food Services Director Hedrick-Farr reported on the details of Food Services Department achievements during the 2015-16 school year, as well as participation information for elementary, secondary and Free and Reduced Lunch programs. Budget tracking has changed this year, and the department is on target to show significant improvement when the final budget numbers for this year are calculated. Program challenges and continued focus areas were also discussed. The Wellness program for Santa Cruz City Schools has revolved around the district investment in and commitment to the "California Thursday" program, which offers locally grown food to our students each Thursday. This program has 58 districts statewide, offers local purchases that help local economy, promotes healthier students (who are better learners), is environmentally friendly, and helps students to better understand from where their food comes. This report was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.6. New Business: Resolution 46-15-16 Issuance for 2016 Certificate of Participation (COP) (Muni Lease)

Mr. Monreal reported that the 2016 Lease financing to fund the field construction at Santa Cruz High School is being sold via a direct placement, the same method as the 2015 Lease financing to fund field improvements at Soquel High. Under the oversight of the Dale Scott & Company, the District's financial advisor, the placement agent issued a request for proposals from potential lenders. The RFP was sent to twelve banks that are regular investors in California school district financings. The District received six responses with interest rates ranging from a low of 2.02% to a high of 3.43%. BB&T, the winning bidder for the 2015 Lease financing submitted the lowest cost bid for the 2016 Lease. The

2016 Lease will finance approximately \$1,600,000 in project and financing costs with a term of 10 years. The 2016 Lease financing will not require an additional school site to be encumbered to secure the lease; Soquel High will serve as the leased asset for both the 2015 Lease and 2016 Lease financings. The District will have the option to repay the 2016 Lease financing without penalty on any day on or after May 1, 2017. Mr. Monreal recommended approving this resolution to move quickly on the project. Mr. Shonick moved approval and Ms. Threet seconded the motion. The motion was passed by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Coonerty – Yes Perez-Granados – Yes Shonick – Yes Threet – Yes
Thompson – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes Vestal – Yes

Student Pageler recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

1. The Regular Meeting on May 25, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
2. The Annual Board Governance Session on June 1, 2016, 5:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
3. The Board Meeting for Interdistrict Transfer Denial Appeals Hearings on June 6, 2016, 6:00 p.m., will be held in Room 313 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
6. The Regular Meeting on June 15, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
7. The Regular Meeting on June 22, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

Adjournment

There being no further Open Session business to come before the Trustees, Board President Thompson adjourned this Open Session of the Regular Meeting at 9:14 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Santa Cruz City Schools

Alisun Thompson, President
Board of Education