

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS  
May 25, 2016**

**Convene Closed Session**

Board President Thompson called this Regular Meeting Closed Session to order at 5:33 p.m. in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

**Public Comments for Closed Session Agenda Items**

None

**Convene Open Session**

Board President Thompson called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:33 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 Ella Carroll, Santa Cruz High School

Absent: Student Representative Aren Pageler, Harbor 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**

Ms. Meeker asked to pull Item 8.1.10.4.1. Educational Services/Special Education: MOU with SC Boys & Girls Club as this agreement is no longer needed for district students.

**Superintendent's Remarks Prior to Public Comments**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Natural Bridges campus neighbor Deborah Taylor expressed concerns regarding fencing the property and curtailing access to the neighbors for use as a community space. Harbor High School Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) students invited the Board and Cabinet Members to their graduation ceremony on June 1, 6:00 p.m., in the Harbor HS Multi-Purpose Room. 29 of the 30 class members have been accepted to a four year university/college. The President of the Santa Cruz Triathlon Organization commented

on the success that this group has experienced for the past 33 years fundraising and donating to all types of sports teams, including school teams. They hope to continue for another 33 wonderful years.

\*Note: The Superintendent responded to Natural Bridges neighbor Deborah Taylor: The district is currently experiencing folks who are driving cars onto the fields at the campus and destroying it so a fence is needed – but we intend to have gate access for the campus neighbors.

## **SUPERINTENDENT’S AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES’ REPORTS**

### **Superintendent’s Report**

Superintendent Munro acknowledged Ms. Parks and her team for a wonderful celebration of 27 retirees, with many years of service, on Monday, May 23. As Santa Cruz City Schools works to develop a plan for the Natural Bridges site through the Long Range Master Facility Planning process, we are pleased to share that we are hosting the Santa Cruz Police Department for training one or two times a week, and the Santa Cruz Fire Department for training once a week. The Superintendent is also planning a Neighborhood Meeting at the Natural Bridges campus on June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. to dialogue with neighbors about the planning process and the future of this campus. Last Wednesday at the Civic Center, we had an amazing celebration of student achievement in music. Special thanks to our music teachers – Nick Bianchini, Greg Brown, Katrina Haeger, Christy Latham, Laura Lorber, Jim Steward and Zina Urquhart. In addition, I want to express my gratitude to the Santa Cruz Community for parcel taxes that support these exceptional programs. Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>, the Senderos program hosted a wonderful Guelaguetza celebration. Thank you to all of our teachers and leaders who were there to help out! Special Thanks to school Social Worker Nereida Robles, Community Coordinator Fe Silva, Retired Principal Curt Coleman and Assistant Superintendent Angela Meeker for their work on the Senderos program and the Guelaguetza event. On May 18, an SCCS Team of Leadership and Bargaining Unit partners attended the School Services update on the Governor’s May Budget Revise. On May 20, GSCFT President, Barry Kirschen, Secondary VP Casey Carlson, SCCCE President Robert Chacanaca, Board President Alisun Thompson, Assistant Superintendent Molly Parks and I attended a second convening of the California Labor Management Initiative. We made some plans to further our collaborative efforts and are planning a retreat for site and union leaders in September. The Santa Cruz County College Commitment is sponsoring ads in the Sentinel, the Pajaronian, and the Valley Press to honor all of our district valedictorians, salutatorians and will provide a list of all of the colleges, universities and trade schools our 2016 graduates will attend. The mission of S4C is to work collaboratively as a county wide TK-16 system with all 10 TK – 12 districts and our post-secondary education partners to ensure students are college and career ready.

### **Recognition of Student Representatives for the Board of Education**

Ms. Meeker recognized our exceptional Student Board Representatives for 2015-16, Ella Carroll and Aren Pageler. Certificates acknowledging their service to the community were presented. Ms. Meeker noted that having student representatives is such an important reminder of our priorities as district decisions are discussed. The Trustees were well-served by these engaged young adults.

### **Student Representative’s Report**

Student Representative Carroll reported that the Santa Cruz High School Prom at the Cocoanut Grove was amazing and the Spring Theater Production went off without a hitch! Students completed Advanced Placement testing last week and tomorrow night is Senior Awards Night for Santa Cruz High School. Repairs were completed and appreciated for the Girls’ Restrooms. The Santa Cruz Rotary recognized 18 students for their academic success at a recent event. There is a new mural on Mission Street in Santa Cruz: this project was a collaboration between Mission Hill Middle School Art Teacher Crocetti and several other community organizations and schools. Ms. Carroll is excited to see how the pursuit of a more climate literate student

body in Santa Cruz City Schools might move forward in the future. Free Speech Friday resumes at Santa Cruz High School on May 27.

## **BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

### **Board Members' Reports**

Board Member Threet attended the April 21, May 4, and May 17 Facilities Steering Committee meetings, the Superintendent's Community Meeting at Branciforte Middle School on April 26, the Governor's May Revise workshop at the County Office of Education and both the April 27 and May 24 Budget Advisory Committee meetings. She met with both the Santa Cruz High PTA and the Bay View Home and School Club to discuss facilities needs and the possibility of upcoming bond measures. Ms. Threet precinct-walked in support of Measure S and Supervisor John Leopold, and heard Congress candidate Jimmy Panetta speak. Ms. Threet attended the Santa Cruz Education Foundation Eddy Awards and enjoyed the recognition of our dedicated work force. Board Member Threet attended the Guelaguetza Festival at Harbor High School celebrating the indigenous cultures of Latin America and was a guest panelist on the Monarch School Exit Criteria Presentation. Trustee Threet attended the Soquel High Music Foundation Fundraising Dinner. Board Member Threet attended both the April 24 and May 22 Santa Cruz High Campus clean up events and the May 14 Soquel High Spring campus clean up. Ms. Threet attended the Santa Cruz Rotary Club's annual Scholarship Luncheon, which honored 18 high school students (many who attend SCCS Schools), and learned that Student Board Representative Ella Carroll was recognized for her Academic achievements and was the Rice Scholarship recipient. Congratulations Ella! Board Member Threet attended the District annual Retirement Reception honoring both our Certificated and Classified Staffs and expressed gratitude to the retiring workforce. Trustee Threet thanked the Greater Federation of Teachers, Santa Cruz Council of Classified Employees, the Soquel High School Floral Design Class and Asst. Superintendent Molly Parks and the Human Resources Team, particularly Dahria Kianpour, for a delightful event.

Board Member Tracy-Proulx attended the California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly Meeting in Sacramento on May 13-15, and is pleased to report that the new Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) template that will be used by districts is more user-friendly. The CSBA will present the work of the delegates to the State Board of Education. Trustee Tracy-Proulx acknowledged the parents at Branciforte Middle School and Harbor High Schools for honoring staff members during May.

Board Member Perez-Granados attended the Guelaguetza and the Harbor High School "Coffee with the Principal", which has 12 parent attendees. Dr. Perez-Granados was very impressed by the great parent questions.

Board Member Shonick attended the Santa Cruz City Schools Retirement event and declared it the best retirement event he ever attended! Mr. Shonick thanked the Bargaining Units for their participation and sponsorship for this event as well. The tributes to the retirees were heartfelt and respectful.

Board Member Coonerty thanked Student Representative Carroll for her service and expressed appreciation for her participation this year. Dr. Coonerty attended a staff luncheon and retirement event for Principal Edmonds at Santa Cruz High School and it was a very positive and lovely event. Dr. Coonerty visited the Santa Cruz City Schools Parcel Tax Oversight Committee (PTOC) meeting and became educated on the oversight process. Dr. Coonerty attended the Santa Cruz City Schools Retirement event and the Budget Advisory Committee (BAC) meeting. Tomorrow, Dr. Coonerty will attend the Westlake PTA meeting.

Board Member Vestal attended the Schools Plus meeting – this organization is seeking additional Board Members. Ms. Vestal observed many happy families at the DeLaveaga Elementary School Open House. Trustee Vestal attended the 5 year anniversary celebration of Positive Discipline and had the opportunity to show appreciation for this worthwhile organization and their community contributions. Ms. Vestal attended the Guelaguetza at Harbor High School – it was a wonderful day of celebration and amazing food! Board Member Vestal attended the Governor’s May Revise Budget Workshop at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education. The May Revise was also discussed at the Budget Advisory Committee (BAC) meeting.

**Board President’s Report**

Board President Thompson participated in the Harbor High School Portfolio Presentations and the countywide Regional Occupation Program (ROP) awards celebration, and commended Sherri Williams for her dedication to this program. Board President Thompson attended the inaugural meeting of the Santa Cruz City Schools LGBT Task Force. The committee has begun with 15 members who are a balance of school and community leadership. The Board President attended the California Labor Management Initiative (CALMI) workshop in San Jose with a group from Santa Cruz City Schools and the Guelaguetza at Harbor High School. The Board President acknowledged and thanked the Senderos Program and the dozens of school employees and administrators who spent their Sunday volunteering at this event. The Board President thanked Student Representative for her service this year – it was greatly appreciated by the Trustees.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. MSP (Coonerty/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2016, as submitted. Student Carroll abstained from a recommendation on this matter.
2. MSP (Threet/Coonerty) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the SCCS Finance Authority Meeting on May 20, 2016, as submitted. Student Carroll abstained from a recommendation on this matter.

**Consent Agenda**

As agreed at the beginning of the meeting, Item 8.1.10.4.1. Educational Services/Special Education MOU-City of Santa Cruz Boys and Girls Club was removed from the Consent Agenda. Ms. Tracy-Proulx moved approval of the remaining items on 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. Budget Transfers; Item 8.1.6. Update of Board Policy 5117 Interdistrict Transfers; Item 8.1.7. RFP: Elementary and Middle School Photos; Item 8.1.8. RFP: High School and Senior Portrait Photography; Item 8.1.9. Resolution 47-15-16 Authorized Signatures; Item 8.1.10.1.1. Business Services: Lease Agreement: Burton & Cooper; Item 8.1.10.1.2. Business Services: Lease Agreement-Sereno Group; Item 8.1.10.1.3 Business Services: Agreement-School Innovations and Achievement; Item 8.1.10.2.1. Human Resources: Consultant Service Agreement: Athletic Trainer Jennifer Putt (Santa Cruz HS); Item 8.1.10.3.1 Education Services/Special Education: Consultant Service Agreement-Mary Schillinger; Item 8.1.10.3.2. Education Services: Consultant Service Agreement/Branciforte and Mission Hill Middle Schools-Consultant Service Agreement Kiefer Taylor; Item 8.1.10.3.3 Education Services/Mission Hill Middle School: Consultant Service Agreement Shakespeare To Go; Item 8.1.10.3.4. Education Services/AECP: Consultant Services Agreement Dientes Summer Dental Care; Item 8.1.10.3.5. Education Services/Special Education: Consultant Service Agreement Interpreter CTA Language Link; Item 8.1.11. Disposition of Surplus Property. Ms. Vestal 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 Carroll recommended a yes vote on this matter.

## **8.2 Closed Session Actions**

### **8.2.1. Reporting Out on Closed Session Items**

8.2.1.1 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.

8.2.1.2 The Board of Education heard an update from and provided direction to designated representative Molly Parks regarding negotiations with the GSCFT K-12 Unit.

8.2.1.3 The Board of Education heard an update from and provided direction to designated representative Molly Parks regarding negotiations with the SCCCE.

8.2.1.4 The Board of Education received information on Expulsion 14-15-16 that will inform their vote on this matter later in the meeting.

8.2.1.5 The Board of Education discussed a Public Employee Performance Evaluation: Job Title: Superintendent.

### **8.2.2 Public Vote on Expulsion**

8.2.2.1 Dr. Coonerty moved approval of Expulsion 14-15-16 as submitted by Ms. Meeker. Dr. Perez-Granados seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

<b>Roll Call Vote:</b> Coonerty – Yes	Perez-Granados – Yes	Shonick – No	Threet – Yes
Thompson – Yes	Tracy-Proulx – Yes	Vestal – Yes	

## **ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED**

### **8.3.1 Information: True North Polling Results**

Dr. Timothy McLarney, from True North Polling Results, shared the results of the recent revenue measure feasibility survey in the district. Information included: methodology of study; importance of issues; initial ballot test on an elementary district bond; initial ballot test on a secondary district bond; tax threshold measures for both bonds; projects; positive and negative arguments; final ballot tests; key conclusions; considerations. Following the presentation, there were clarifying questions and discussion from Board Members, Staff and Members of the Public. This item was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

### **8.3.2. New Business: PUBLIC HEARING: Math Adoption for Grades K-5**

Curriculum Director Wildman reported to the Trustees regarding the new math instructional materials for Grades K-5. All textbooks and instructional materials in the adoption are based on California Content Standards, and have been adopted by the California Department of Education. This instructional material is recommended for district wide adoption in all elementary schools. All teacher pilot materials have been compiled and reviewed by the Office of Curriculum and evaluated in collaboration with the Selection Committee. The Mathematics Selection Committee, which consists of teachers from each of the sites, a library media teacher, and site administrator, endorses this recommendation. The Materials were on display at the District Office for any interested parties from May 17-25, and are in the room tonight should there be any final questions or concerns. The purpose of the hearing is to provide a public forum for community input regarding the adoption of mathematics textbooks and instructional materials.

**Open:** Board President Thompson opened this Public Hearing at 7:34 p.m.

**Public:** None

**Close:** Board President Thompson closed this Public Hearing at 7:36 p.m.

### **8.3.3 New Business: Math Adoption Approval**

Ms. Meeker recommended adoption of the new math materials for grades K-5. MSP (Coonerty/Tracy-Proulx) 7-0, the Board of Education adopted the new math materials. Student Representative Carroll recommended a yes vote on this matter.

### **8.3.4 Information: Green Schools Committee Annual Report**

Mr. Monreal reported to the Trustees and provided the 2015-16 attendees, “green” district highlights for the year and future opportunities for improvements and partnerships in our community. Following Mr. Monreal’s report, Green Schools Committee Member Roland Saher and SCCCE President Robert Chacanaca, along with 7 other audience members, encouraged the Board of Education to consider directing the administration to develop a Climate Change and Awareness curriculum for Santa Cruz City Schools’ students. This report was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

### **8.3.5 Staff Report: Proposition 39 Energy Conservation Program Plan**

Prop 39, the California Clean Energy Jobs Acts, was approved by the voters in November 2012 to provide schools grant funding for energy efficiency projects. The District approved a Prop 39 Planning Study Agreement with Climatec on 3/7/2016 to initiate the energy audit process and develop an energy master plan. The energy master plan identifies unfunded deferred maintenance needs in the areas of heating & cooling equipment (HVAC), lighting, water conservation, pool systems and building automation systems that are past their useful life and in need of replacement. An initial scope of work has been prioritized to not only satisfy Prop 39 requirements but to remedy classroom issues and recurring maintenance burdens. Projects will utilize the Proposition 39 Energy Grant Funds. This report was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

### **8.3.6 New Business: 3<sup>rd</sup> Interim Report**

Mr. Monreal reported that as of the 2015-16 Second Interim report, the Santa Cruz County Office of Education has concurred with the Districts’ Positive Certification of its ability to meet its financial obligations for the current and two subsequent fiscal years. Due to this status, the filing of a Third Interim report is optional, but the District Finance team uses this opportunity to refine the estimated ending balances for the current fiscal year, to confirm the District will have sufficient cash at hand to meet its financial obligations, and to expand the multi-year horizon to include a draft of fiscal year 2018-19. Staff attended the Governor’s May Revise Budget on Wednesday, May 18, 2016 and is incorporating the changes in the Third Interim Report. The State Budget is expected to be negotiated and completed by June 15, 2016. Staff will continue to update the 2016-17 Budget pending the public hearing on June 15, 2016 and adoption on June 22, 2016. MSP (Threet/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the 3<sup>rd</sup> Interim Report. Student Representative Carroll recommended a yes vote on this matter.

### **8.3.7 New Business: Declaration of Certificated Needs for 2016-17**

Ms. Parks recommended adoption of the annual Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators as submitted. This comes on an annual basis as a California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC) requirement to allow for credentialing flexibility for both elementary and secondary schools. The estimated numbers needed listed here are not necessarily a determinant of current need but an educated guess to cover all areas of potential need. MSP (Threet/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of

Education approved the annual Declaration of Certificated Needs for 2016-17. Student Representative Carroll recommended a yes vote on this matter.

### **Board Meeting Schedule Information**

1. The Special Closed Session Meeting of the Board of Education on June 1, 2016, 5:20 p.m., will be called to order in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
2. The Annual Board Governance Session on June 1, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
3. The Special Closed Session 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.
4. 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.
5. 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 9:25 p.m.

\* ***For more details about this meeting, please visit our district website and listen to the meeting recording:***

***<http://www.sccs.santacruz.k12.ca.us/about-us/board-of-education/agendas-a-minutes.html>***

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent  
Santa Cruz City Schools

Alisun Thompson, President  
Board of Education