

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
June 22, 2016**

Convene Closed Session

Board President Thompson called this Regular Meeting Closed Session to order at 5:30 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 6:36 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

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Angela Meeker, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Jim Monreal, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
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.

Public Vote on Interdistrict Transfer Appeals Hearings

Student 65252

The parent of student 65452 withdrew the request for a hearing on 6/22/16 and has proceeded to enroll student 65452 in the local school of residence. No vote was required on this matter.

Student 62332

MSP (Perez-Granados/Coonerty) 6-0-1, the Board of Education upheld the denial of the interdistrict transfer for this student. Ms. Tracy-Proulx abstained from this vote.

Student #3

MSP (Perez-Granados/Coonerty) 6-0-1, the Board of Education upheld the denial of the interdistrict transfer for this student. Ms. Tracy-Proulx abstained from this vote.

Agenda Changes

None

Superintendent's Remarks Prior to Public Comments

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Three speakers who are neighbors of the Natural Bridges campus expressed concerns regarding the ideas they have heard discussed for the future use of the site. They asked for continued community and stakeholder input before any decisions are made about how to reconfigure this school site.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Munro reported this last week has been filled with planning for August trainings, details for summer school, reviewing staffing and other particulars to ensure a smooth opening for the 2016-17 school year. The Superintendent reported that tonight the Trustees would hear an update on our process for determining whether or not the district might pursue a bond measure in the November election. The master planning process to date is validating a clear need. Currently there is more than \$300 million in identified needs. Tonight, you will see that we could potentially move forward to ask for just over 200 million. The need is so great that no matter our plans, we will have to prioritize projects. Our buildings between 50 and 100 years old. From 2008 to the present school year we were directed by the governor to shift maintenance dollars to basic operations due to inadequate school funding; so, there has been a greater impact than the typical aging process. The public is still providing input and we are recording ideas and options for consideration in final planning. Our team is continuing an open and transparent process with the ultimate goal of ensuring adequate facilities for the future. The Superintendent acknowledged this meeting as the final school board meetings for Ms. Meeker and Mr. Monreal, as both are moving on to different positions that serve students, families and community. The Superintendent thanked Ms. Meeker for her incredible leadership in the district – as a teacher, administrator and central office cabinet member. Santa Cruz City Schools is fortunate to continue an administrative relationship with Ms. Meeker as she moves to the CEO position for Delta Charter High School. Superintendent Munro acknowledged the many positive changes that Mr. Monreal has brought to the district in his 16 months of service here. One noteworthy change is improved teacher technology access. Our staff members are so pleased with the improvements that teachers have been sending Mr. Monreal thank you notes. We wish Jim much success as he moves closer to his family and transitions into the position of Head of School for San Joaquin Memorial Catholic School in Fresno.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

Board Member Coonerty has spent lots of time speaking with community members and has learned a lot from these conversations. Ms. Coonerty clarified that while she used the term “sports complex” when referring to a facilities idea for the Natural Bridges campus, what she actually meant was an updated gymnasium and some nice playing fields that could be utilized by our community. Dr. Coonerty asked the Natural Bridges neighbors to spread the word that what she envisions for the property is something similar to the fields and gymnasium at Mission Hill Middle School. Dr. Coonerty has found her conversations with the public over the last two weeks to be some of the most productive time she has spent as a Board Member.

Board Member Vestal attended the joint meeting of the City of Santa Cruz and Santa Cruz City Schools (City/Schools) meeting and learned about some great youth employment opportunities programs for at risk students in middle school. At the Delta School board meeting, it was reported that the recent parent fundraiser earned \$20,000 for the school. These funds will be put to use at the start of the new school year. Ms. Vestal expressed great appreciation to both Ms. Meeker and Mr. Monreal for the wonderful work they have done for in the district – our students have benefitted from their service.

Board Member Threet continues to meet with community members to discuss the possibility of a bond for our schools. The conversations have been productive, and folks understand the need to continue to support the educational experiences of our children. Thank you Ms. Meeker and Mr. Monreal – you will be missed and have served the Board, the Superintendent, and our school community well.

Board Member Perez-Granados thanked all of the community members she has spoken with for the comments and the questions that have been shared. These conversations continue to inform her thinking. Ms. Meeker and Mr. Monreal helped Dr. Perez-Granados climb a very steep learning curve as a new board member – thank you.

Ms. Tracy-Proulx attended the City/Schools meeting, where the Natural Bridges campus and community needs were discussed, as well as the safety needs for west side neighborhoods. Ms. Tracy-Proulx was pleased to hear about the expansion/extension of the Pride Program and the success of this program for middle school children. We received some great feedback from the Mayor and Councilwoman Comstock about the needs of the City of Santa Cruz that might involve the Natural Bridges site.

Board President's Report

Board President Thompson also attended the City/Schools meeting and was impressed with the collaboration of ideas, and particularly excited by the possibilities of youth employment. Board President Thompson is eager to expand these opportunities for youth next year so that all children who are able can participate. The Board President acknowledged the service of Ms. Meeker and Mr. Monreal, and congratulated Dr. Meeker for her defense of her dissertation yesterday. We are grateful that your hard work to increase your expertise in education will continue to benefit our district.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MSP (Vestal/Threet) 5-0-2, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Special Meeting for Interdistrict Transfer Appeals Hearings on June 6, 2016, as submitted. Mr. Shonick and Ms. Coonerty abstained from this vote.

Consent Agenda

Dr. Coonerty asked a clarifying question about Item 8.1.1. Certificated personnel actions. Ms. Threet 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 Budget Transfers; Item 8.1.6. Gifts; Item 8.1.7.; Board Policy Updates: 2nd reading and final approval; Item 8.1.8. Resolution 52-15-16 Authorizing Approval of Personnel Actions during Summer months; Item 8.1.9. Resolution 53-15-16 Education Protection Act Spending Plan for 2016-17; Item 8.1.10. Career Technical Education Incentive Grant - Agricultural; Item 8.1.11. Salary Schedules: Classified Management; Item 8.1.12 Disposition of Surplus Property; Item 8.1.13.1. Agreement: Lifetouch Photography for K-8 photography; Item 8.1.13.2. Agreement: Covello & Covello for High School photography and senior portraits. 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

8.2 Closed Session Actions

8.2.1. Reporting Out on Closed Session Items

1. The Board heard denied Interdistrict Transfer appeals. The Parent of Student 65452 withdrew the hearing request on 6/22/16 and has opted to enroll Student 65452 at the local school of

residence. The Parent of Student 62332 presented the case for transfer, Student Services Brown presented the case for denial, and the Trustees asked clarifying questions. The Guardian of Student #3 presented the case for transfer, Student Services Director Brown presented the case for denial, and the Board Members asked clarifying questions.

2. The Board of Trustees took action on Certificated, Classified, and Management leaves, retirements, resignations, and appointments.
3. The Board of Trustees heard information on Expulsion 15-15-16 and 18-15-16.
4. The Board of Trustees heard an update from and provided direction to Superintendent Munro regarding negotiations with the GSCFT for 2015-16.

The Trustees did not have time to address Item 5. On the Closed Session Agenda, and will return to Closed Session following the adjournment of the Open Session Meeting.

8.2.2. Public Vote on Expulsion(s)

1. MSP (Coonerty/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education approved Expulsion 15-15-16 as submitted by Ms. Meeker.
2. MSP (Coonerty/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education approved Expulsion 18-15-16 as submitted by Ms. Meeker.

ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED

8.3.1 Staff Report: Update on Bond Planning

Mr. Monreal introduced Amanda Clifford, the district's bond campaign consultant, to report to the Board Members. Ms. Clifford shared the status of our work towards potential bond measures for the November 2016 ballot. Sample Board Resolutions for potential bond measures were provided for review. The current projected cost for the district to have the three available board vacancies included in the November 2016 election is \$150,000. Should the district choose to proceed with bond measures, costs would also include the cost of printing the pages for the ballot measures and the proportionate share of the increased postage due to increased pages in the ballot book. Questions and discussion among Trustees, Staff, and Audience Members followed the presentation. This report was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.2. New Business: Approval of 2016-17 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)

Ms. Meeker reported that the LCAP was presented to the Board at the June 15th board meeting, and also presented for public input through an advertised public hearing at the June 15th board meeting. Following those two presentations, Ms. Meeker brings the plan back for approval from the board. MSP (Perez-Granados/Coonerty) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the 2016-17 LCAP.

8.3.3 New Business: Approve 2016-17 Santa Cruz City Schools Budget

Mr. Monreal reported that the 2016-17 budget was presented to the Board at the June 15th board meeting. Further, the 2016-17 budget was presented for public input through an advertised public hearing at the June 15th board meeting. Mr. Monreal brought the budget back with some additional information requested by Dr. Coonerty on June 15, detailing costs associated with hiring textbook clerks. Following the presentation, Board Members asked questions, provided comments, and had discussion that included Board Members, Staff, and Audience Members. Dr. Coonerty moved approval of the 2016-17 budget with the addition of three (3) 3.5 hr. textbook clerks at the three comprehensive high schools. Dr. Perez-Granados seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of 6-1. Ms. Shonick voted no. Dr. Coonerty also noted, for the record, that in the fall of 2016, she would like

to revisit the textbook clerk discussion to more closely examine the situation at the Small Schools campus.

9. Adjournment of Open Session

There being no further Open Session business to come before the Trustees, Board President Thompson adjourned this Open Session of the Regular Meeting at 8:42 p.m.

10. Return to Closed Session

The Trustees returned to Closed Session at 8:43 p.m.

11. Closed Session Actions

5. The Board of Trustees discussed the employment of the Superintendent.

12. Adjournment

There being no further Closed Session business to come before the Trustees, Board President Thompson adjourned this Closed Session of the Regular Meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

1. The Special Meeting on July 27, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.

* ***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

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Board of Education