

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
October 19, 2016**

Convene Closed Session

Board Vice President Vestal 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 Vice President Vestal 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

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| Sheila Coonerty | Deedee Perez-Granados | Jeremy Shonick |
| Patty Threet | Deb Tracy-Proulx | Claudia Vestal |

Absent: Alisun Thompson

Absent: Student Representative Steve Munoz: Soquel High School

Absent: Student Representative Aaliyah Wilson: Costanoa High School

Kris Munro, Superintendent

Patrick K. Gaffney, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Molly Parks, Assistant Superintendent, Human resources

Frank Wells, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

Members of the Audience

Welcome and Format

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

Agenda Changes

None

Superintendent's Remarks Prior to Public Comments

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gayle McCallum and Jason McCluskey spoke about the Santa Cruz Area Chamber of Commerce Sister Cities Program. A sister city is a long-term based relationship between two cities from different countries which is officially approved by the local city councils and promotes cultural and commercial ties. Santa Cruz has five sister cities: Alushta, Ukraine; Jinotepe, Nicaragua; Puerto la Cruz, Venezuela; Sestri Levante, Italy; and Shingu, Japan. Ms. McCallum has submitted information to our Educational Services department for distribution to

our Grade 10 students about an upcoming opportunity to visit our Sister City in Shingu, Japan. Soquel High School Math Teacher Nick Morris urged the board to continue to support small class sizes in as many grades as possible. Dr. Jim Logsdon shared information about a wonderful educational transition from a comprehensive to an alternative high school program for one of our students; administrators, counselors and teachers worked together to support the student/family needs during a difficult time and it was truly appreciated. Dr. Logsdon has enjoyed his work supporting Measures A & B.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Trustee site visits included both middle schools this month. We visited wonderful classrooms with amazing teaching and learning, including visible learning, where focused learning targets and success criteria were evident. The Board Community Meetings on October 3 at Soquel High School and October 11 at DeLaveaga Elementary School were attended by supportive parents with lots of ideas and input. Thank you Trustees Threet and Perez-Granados for your attendance at the meetings. On October 4, a district Parent Leader meeting was held at Harbor High School. Mr. Gaffney presented a budget overview and LCAP input was solicited from attendees. These meetings will take place two times each year – currently, a meeting date for February 2017 is being investigated. On October 15, Facilities Director Miller led the Santa Cruz High School for community, parent and student leaders. District Administrators were able to share our master planning process, the beautiful and historic Santa Cruz High School site and the challenges of aging facilities. Cabinet continues to meet monthly with GSCFT and SCCCE leadership and we appreciate the opportunity to work collectively to address needs for the units.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

Board Member Perez-Granados visited classrooms at Branciforte Middle School with the Superintendent this month. Dr. Perez-Granados enjoyed all the classes, but was particularly impressed by the math classroom. The teacher was very adept at scaffolding math language use, and students were engaged and responsive. Dr. Perez-Granados was also pleased to see the thoughtful perspectives and concerns of the DeLaveaga parents who attended the October 11 Community Meeting. Dr. Perez-Granados would like to become more informed about Special Education processes and parent support measures.

Board Member Tracy-Proulx invited all interested parties to attend the Technology Task Force Meeting on October 25 at the Branciforte Middle School Technology Innovation Center, 6:00 p.m.

Board Member Shonick was pleased to hear from Ms. McCallum and Mr. McCluskey from the Sister Cities Program this evening. Mr. Shonick is currently serving his final term on this program board, and is pleased that a Bay View Elementary and a Soquel High School teacher have become involved in this excellent program.

Board Member Threet visited three grades of science classrooms at Mission Hill Middle School with Superintendent Munro. The NGSS and the collaborative style of teaching and dialogue provided the students with an enjoyable learning experience. The Community Meetings at both Soquel High School and DeLaveaga Elementary School were valuable and renewed Ms. Threet's awareness of her responsibility as a Trustee to share conversation with families to provide another perspective. Ms. Threet attended the County Office of Education screening of "Raising of America", a documentary about early childhood education and the future of our nation. Trustee Threet attended the Soquel High School football game and also took the Santa Cruz High School tour led by Mr. Miller. The tour provided an excellent illustration of the case for Measures A & B. Ms. Threet noted that J. R. Blinkenberg passed away last week. J. R. was the number one Soquel High School

- 8.2.2.2. MSP (Coonerty/Perez-Granados) 4-0-1-1, the Board of Education approved Expulsion 02-16-17 as submitted by Mr. Wells. Dr. Perez-Granados abstained from this vote, and Trustee Threet recused herself from this discussion and vote.

ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED

8.3.1. Staff Report: Illuminate Student Information System

Information Technology Director Gomez reported to the Trustees on this matter. The Illuminate Student Information System is an all-access, cloud-based host for student information and data and assessment applications. Information included: the purpose of the transition; District Core Team; District Implementation Team; District Data Team; data migration information; Data and Core Team training timelines; District Staff training timelines. Mr. Curtis' presentation was followed by Board Member comments, questions and discussion, as well as comments and questions from the Public. This report was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Trustees regarding this matter.

8.3.2. Staff Report: Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Update: Process/Priority/Student Engagement Social Workers/Counselors

Student Services Director Brown reported that team members are working diligently to make improvements in LCAP Goal #13 – student engagement in school. Ongoing work/goals include:

- Reduce suspensions by 10 per year until rate = 0%
- Reduce expulsions 2 per year until rate = 0%
- Reduce chronic absenteeism rate by .5% per year in elementary school
- Reduce chronic absenteeism rate by .5% per year in middle school
- Reduce chronic absenteeism rate by .5% per year in high school
- Increase attendance rate to 100%

Elementary School Counselor Lisa Price reported on positive behavior interventions and supports, coordination of services teams, and foster youth supports. Secondary Social Worker Kimberly Prohaska reported on coordination of Services Teams, mental health crises, safety, Foster Youth Teams, Homeless Youth and Coordination with the District Nurses, Health Clerks and Attendance Clerks. This report was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Trustees regarding this matter.

8.3.2. Staff Report: Preliminary CBEDS

Mr. Gaffney reported that the California Basic Educational Data System (CBEDS) is an annual data collection administered the first Wednesday in October. This year CBEDS day was October 5th. The purpose of CBEDS is to collect demographic information on students, faculty and district employees. The District as a whole has decreased enrollment from 2015-16 to 2016-17. We had a districtwide decrease of 133 students. The elementary district (grades Pre-K – 6) decreased enrollment by 80 students from last year, and the secondary district (grades 7-12) decreased by 53 students. The Board Members asked questions, made comments and discussed the student enrollment with district staff members. This report was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Trustees regarding this matter.

8.3.4. New Business: Budget Development Calendar

Mr. Gaffney reported that the Budget Development Calendar establishes a timeline for the development, review and acceptance of the 2017-18 budget. The development of the annual budget is an important process that ensures fiscal solvency and the achievement of the District's educational

goals. The process begins early so that timely decisions can be made to adjust existing programs. There is no fiscal impact to the operating budget for developing a budget calendar. MSP (Threet/Perez-Granados) 6-0, the Board of Education approved the Budget Calendar for the development, review and acceptance of the 2017-18 budget.

9. Adjournment of Open Session

There being no further Open Session business to come before the Trustees, Board Vice President Vestal adjourned this Open Session of the Regular Meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

1. The Regular Meeting on October 26, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in The County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
2. The Regular Meeting on November 9, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in The County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
3. The Regular Meeting/Board Study Session on November 16, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
4. The Regular Meeting/Board Study Session on December 7, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
5. The Regular Meeting on December 14, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in The County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
6. The Regular Meeting on January 18, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
7. The Regular Meeting/Board Study Session on January 25, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
8. The Regular Meeting on February 1, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
9. The Regular Meeting on February 15, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
10. The Regular Meeting on March 8, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
11. The Regular Meeting on March 29, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
12. The Regular Meeting on April 19, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
13. The Regular Meeting/Board Study Session on April 26, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
14. The Regular Meeting on May 10, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
15. The Regular Meeting/Governance Session on May 31, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
16. The Regular Meeting on June 14, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
17. The Regular Meeting on June 28, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

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

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Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Santa Cruz City Schools

Alisun Thompson, President
Board of Education