

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
JUNE 17, 2020**

Convene Closed Session

Board President Ranii called this Closed Session Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Public Comments for Closed Session Agenda Items

None.

Convene Open Session

Board President Ranii called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:35 p.m.

Attendance at Meeting

Sheila Coonerty	John Owen	Cindy Ranii	
Jeremy Shonick	Patricia Threet	Deb Tracy-Proulx	Claudia Vestal

Violet Edwards, Student Board Representative, Santa Cruz High School

Jasmyn Lopez, Student Board Representative, Harbor High School

Kris Munro, Superintendent

Dorothy Coito, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

Molly Parks, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

Jim Monreal, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Members of the Audience

Welcome and Format

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the Community Tom Crahen, Rocco Cappella, and Chris Miller presented a career technical program opportunity to Trustees.

Community member Bill Phillips shared that retirees were in training for phone banking to help make the community aware of the Schools and Communities First initiative on the ballot in November.

District teacher Kat Burke advocated for mental health and counseling services to address anxiety and depression among our youth.

GSCFT President Casey Carlson thanked the community members for the presentation on career and technical education through Cabrillo, and expressed concern for past issues with dual enrollment implementation.

Several community members spoke to request the reopening of campus pools and sports facilities within the district.

Many members of the community asked the district to consider the purchase of a property in the Harbor High School neighborhood.

Several students, parents, and teachers advocated for the continuation of funding for the secondary AVID program.

Agenda Changes, Additions, or Deletions

Superintendent Munro reported the following agenda changes:

1. 8.5.2.3. Budget Development Update: updated documents were added 6.17.20.
2. 8.5.4.1. Schools Reopening Plan: presentation was added 6.17.20.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Munro shared condolences and good wishes for the families of Sergeant Damon Gutzwiller, and Allison Endert, both of whom passed away in the past week. The Superintendent acknowledged the families and communities members who have been reaching out in regards to reinstating athletic programs and facilities, and that the district is waiting on state direction. Finally, Superintendent Munro recognized Student Board Representatives for 2019-20 and thanked them for their service on the governance team this year. .

Student's Report

Both Student Representative Lopez and Representative Edwards thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve with them.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

Trustee Owen thanked Cabinet, the Unions, Extended Cabinet, and all staff working through budget issues and school reopening issues.

Trustee Vestal thanked the Student Board Representatives for their perspective and time serving on the Board. She thanked those who have been reaching out to her via email and those who spoke during public comment. Ms. Vestal attended the Delta Board meeting, where a new Trustee was appointed, and they approved the preliminary budget and school reopening plan.

Trustee Tracy-Proulx congratulated both Student Board Representatives. She also thanked all staff and stakeholders who are working together on the budget and the reopening of schools. Ms. Tracy-Proulx expressed sadness for the loss of Ms. Endert and shared she will be dearly missed.

Trustee Shonick reported the end of his sixth year serving on the Green Schools Committee, and thanked all members and staff.

Trustee Threet thanked both Student Board Representatives, as well as the community for emails and involvement.

Trustee Coonerty thanked the Student Board Representatives for their service, and she also expressed gratitude to the Unions and administration for their recent work. She also thanked community members for sharing and sending emails. Ms. Coonerty remembered Dan McGuire, who also passed away this week.

Board President's Report

Board President Ranii thanked staff and stakeholders who are working together on the budget and the reopening of schools. She also thanked both Student Board Representatives for their participation and wished them well.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Vestal) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the April 29, 2020 meeting.
1. MSP (Coonerty/Vestal) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the May 4, 2020 meeting.
1. MSP (Owen/Tracy-Proulx) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the May 20, 2020 meeting.

GENERAL PUBLIC BUSINESS

Consent Agenda

8.1.1. Personnel Actions - Certificated, 8.1.2. Personnel Actions - Classified, 8.1.3. Purchase Orders, Bids, & Quotes, 8.1.4. Warrant Register, 8.1.5. Budget Transfers, 8.1.6. Green Schools Report, 8.1.7. Williams Quarterly Report, 8.2.2.1. Geo H. Wilson: Notice of Completion: Westlake Elementary School Sewer Assessment, 8.2.2.2. Guerra Construction Group: Notice of Completion: Santa Cruz High School Fitness Court Concrete, 8.2.2.3. OC McDonald: Notice of Completion: Santa Cruz High School Gym Rooftop Heating Ventilation Replacement, 8.2.2.4. Business Services/Information Technology: Illuminate Student Information System Agreement 2020-21, 8.2.2.5. Business Services/Westlake Elementary: Agreement with Peace United Church for Parking 2020-21, 8.2.2.6. New Business: Developer Fee Report, 8.3.1 Abacherli Fence Co.: Contract: Mission Hill Middle School Fencing Replacement, 8.3.2. Abacherli Fence Co.: Contract: Santa Cruz High School Fencing Replacement, 8.3.3. Belli Architectural Group: Change Order 1: Branciforte Middle School Music Street Presence Improvements, 8.3.4. CDWG: Proposal: Bay View Elementary School Televisions, 8.3.5. CDWG: Proposal: DeLaveaga Elementary School Televisions, 8.3.6. CDWG: Proposal: Soquel High School Televisions, 8.3.7. CRW Industries Inc.: Contract: Natural Bridges Elementary School Walkway, 8.3.8. Cyclone Fence & Iron, Inc.: Contract: Westlake Elementary School Site Fencing and Gates, 8.3.9. Development Group Inc.: Change Order 2: Branciforte Middle School Data Installation, 8.3.10. Development Group Inc.: Change Order 2: Gault Elementary School Data Installation, 8.3.11. Development Group Inc.: Change Order 2: Structured Cabling Design, 8.3.12. Development Group Inc.: Change Order 3: Harbor High School Data Installation, 8.3.13. Enviroplex: Proposal: Branciforte Small Schools Alternative Family Education Campus Buildings, 8.3.14. FSP Fine Steel Products: Contract: Mission Hill Middle School Handrail Replacement, 8.3.15. Illumunee Inc.: Quote: Mission Hill Middle School Replacement Light Fixtures, 8.3.16. Kleinfelder: Proposal: Branciforte Middle School Multi-Purpose Room Special Inspection Services, 8.3.17. Lewis Tree Service, Inc.: Proposal: Natural Bridges Elementary School Tree Removal, 8.3.18. M3 Environmental LLC: Contract: Branciforte Middle School Asbestos Abatement Oversight, 8.3.19. M3 Environmental LLC: Contract: Branciforte Middle School Hazardous Material Inspection, 8.3.20. Madi 19six Architects Inc: Amendment Agreement: Branciforte Small Schools Alternative Family Education Portable Damage Evaluation, 8.3.21. OC McDonald: Change Order 2: Santa Cruz High School Gym Rooftop Heating Ventilation Replacement, 8.3.22. Palace Business Solutions: Proposal: Santa Cruz High School Office Additions, 8.3.23. PSR Electric: Contract: Mission Hill Middle School Multi-Purpose Room Lighting Replacement, 8.3.24. PSR Electric: Proposal: Westlake Elementary School Lower Campus Wheelchair Lift Electrical Work, 8.3.25. Swinerton Builders: Change Order 3: Soquel High School Modernization Phase 2, 8.3.26. Verde Design: Proposal: Mission Hill Middle School Athletic Field Replacement Plan Review. Trustee Owen requested item 8.3.3. Belli Architectural Group: Change Order 1: Branciforte Middle School Music Street Presence Improvements be removed from consent and discussed during Items to be Transacted or Discussed by Business Services.

Trustee Tracy-Proulx motioned to approve the consent agenda, with the removal of item 8.3.3. Belli Architectural Group: Change Order 1: Branciforte Middle School Music Street Presence Improvements. Trustee Vestal seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote:

Coonerty – Yes Owen – Yes Ranii – Yes
Shonick – Yes Threet – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes Vestal – Yes

Closed Session Items

8.4.1. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

Board Vice President Coonerty reported the following actions during closed session:

1. The Board took action on Certificated/Classified/Management Leaves, Retirements, Resignations and Appointments.
2. Ms. Parks did not have any information to share with Trustees regarding Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint.
3. The Board heard an update from and provided direction to Ms. Parks regarding negotiations with both GSCFT and SCCCE for 2020-21.
4. The Board President represented SCCS in negotiations regarding the Superintendent’s Annual Contract Review.

Board President Ranii paused the meeting for a break at 8:00 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 8:10 p.m.

ITEMS TO BE TRANSACTED AND/OR DISCUSSED

8.5.2.1. Staff Report: Bond Budget Update

Mark Bartos of Bartos Architecture provided an update on the bond program budgets and expenditures by site. Information included funds available to site, allocation based on latest cost estimates and prioritized projects by site teams, expenditures to date for a given project from November 2016 through May 2020 and percent expended by site per total site resource. Board members asked questions and provided feedback and comments. This item was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.5.2.3. Staff Report: Budget Development Update

Assistant Superintendent Monreal provided an overview of the Santa Cruz City Schools 2020-21 Budget assumptions and highlights that included information through the Governor’s May Revise of the State Budget. California school districts were notified of impending reductions in State revenue due to the effects of three months of economic shut down in response to the COVID-19 virus. Staff crafted a budget to meet the current funding projections and reserve requirements. Revenue and expenditure summaries included Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), Federal, State and local revenue resources, as well as expenditure projections that included employee salaries and benefits, books and supplies, services, and other operating expenses. Multi-year projections were provided, along with Federal and State funding descriptions and other fund highlights. The 2020-21 Budget will return to the Board for approval on June 17. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

Public Comments: Several staff members spoke to share their concerns about potential classified staff reductions.

8.3.3. Belli Architectural Group: Change Order 1: Branciforte Middle School Street Presence Improvements

Trustee Owen asked this item to be removed from consent for discussion. Assistant Superintendent Monreal shared the additional project scope to include hardscape and softscape improvements at interior courtyards of campus and the reconfiguration of existing passenger loading areas at Branciforte Middle School. Trustees requested more information on the bond site committee meetings and process.

MSP(Vestal/Tracy-Proulx) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Belli Architectural Group change order for Branciforte Middle School Music Street presence improvements.

8.5.1.1. New Business: Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Contract

Assistant Superintendent Coito shared that Santa Cruz City Schools has implemented the AVID program at both middle schools and all three of our comprehensive high schools. The number of AVID students enrolled at each secondary school site for the 2019-20 school year are 476 students all together. Ms. Coito recommended approval of this contract.

Public Comment: Several students, parents, teachers and staff shared the importance of the AVID program in high school, and they encouraged the continued funding of the program.

MSP(Coonerty/Vestal) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the AVID contract for 2020-21.

8.5.1.2. New Business: Contract: Edgenuity

Assistant Superintendent Coito recommended approval of the Edgenuity online curriculum contract for use for the 2020-21 school year to support distance learning and/or hybrid distance learning instructional model at the ARK Independent Studies program as well as at Harbor High school.

Public Comment: Several teachers and RTI Coordinators spoke about the process involved in choosing this item and working with Director of Secondary Curriculum Hodges to advocate for the program.

MSP(Tracy-Proulx/Coonerty) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Edgenuity contract for 2020-21.

8.5.1.3. New Business: Contract: Curriculum Associates Math Ready & iReady

Assistant Superintendent Coito recommended approval of the Curriculum Associates (Math Ready/iReady) contract for use for the 2020-21 school year while in a distance learning and/or hybrid distance learning instructional model.

Public Comment: Molly O'Neill and Dana Cooper spoke to advocate for the iReady Math program for middle school, and they shared helpful features for students and teachers.

MSP(Coonerty/Tracy-Proulx) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Curriculum Associates Math Ready & iReady Contract for 2020-21.

8.5.1.4. New Business: Contract: CodeHS Inc.

Assistant Superintendent Coito recommended approval of CodeHS, the software curriculum used in high school computer science courses.

MSP(Threet/Coonerty) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the CodeHS contract for 2020-21.

8.5.1.5. New Business: Contract: MyLexia

Assistant Superintendent Coito recommended approval of MyLexia for use by elementary school students to access a comprehensive technology-based literacy program.

Public Comment: Raven Graham and Renee Golder shared that more time is needed to practice using the program during distance learning.

MSP(Coonerty/Vestal) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the MyLexia contract for 2020-21.

8.5.4.1. Staff Report: Schools Reopening Plan

Superintendent Munro presented an update regarding the Reopening Advisory Committee and the School Reopening Plan. Our District's Extended Cabinet, composed of central and site leadership and joined by union leaders, began meeting to identify the components of a reopening plan. From there, a decision-making flow chart was developed that included various means of garnering stakeholder input and a Superintendents' Advisory Committee to guide reopening recommendations. Members of the Advisory Committee include students, parents, certificated and classified staff, union members, site and central office administrators and trustees. At the June 15 Advisory Committee meeting, final recommendations on the plan were made. The plan was sent to Trustees and posted on the District website on Tuesday, June 16. The plan was submitted to the Board for first reading.

Public Comment: GSCFT President Casey Carlson shared that she has scheduled negotiations with Assistant Superintendent Parks.

A parent asked that informational items such as this be presented during the beginning of the meeting.

8.5.4.2. Board Policies: Final Reading for CSBA Revisions and Updates

Policies are submitted through the GAMUT online board policy book updating process, which uses CSBA recommendations for review and change approximately six times per year in participating districts. These recommendations reflect recent changes in education code and/or case law. The policies have been reviewed by staff to ensure that any required customization for Santa Cruz City Schools has been included.

MSP(Vestal/Owen) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Board Policy updates..

8.5.4.2. Discussion: Possible Items for Future Meeting Agendas

Trustees requested information regarding programs that have worked well for students and teachers during distance learning.

9. Adjournment of Meeting

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Ranii adjourned this Regular Meeting 10:51 p.m.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

1. The Regular Meeting on June 17, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely, via Zoom.
2. The Regular Meeting on June 24, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely, via Zoom.

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

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Respectfully submitted,

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Santa Cruz City Schools

Cynthia Ranii, President
Board of Education