

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
September 30, 2015**

Convene Closed Session

Board President Vestal called this Regular Meeting Closed Session to order at 5:33 p.m. in the Santa Cruz 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 Vestal called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

Attendance at Meeting

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

Student Representatives: Ella Carroll, Santa Cruz High School
Aren Pageler, Harbor High School

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

Welcome and Format

Board 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

Approximately 25 Classified Workers stood behind the podium to show their support for their 7 colleagues who addressed the Trustees regarding a wage increase for members of this bargaining unit. Speakers included Jeanie Brown, Chief Negotiator for the SCCCE, Barbara Poynter, SCCCE Negotiating Team Member, and Food Service Worker Michael Rodriguez. Speakers asked the Trustees to direct Administrators to provide classified workers with a 3% increase on the salary schedule for 2014-15. Classified workers provide direct support for students in many capacities; including classroom aide, yard duty, clerical services, community coordinators,

food service workers, custodians, bus drivers and more. Dr. Jim Logsdon reported that community member George Ow is pleased to support upcoming parcel tax measures O & P and gives permission to use his name as a supporter during the campaign.

SUPERINTENDENT'S and STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Munro, Ms. Parks and Mr. Monreal attended a valuable legal training in Campbell on September 29. The Soquel High School homecoming event was successful and well-attended, and the football game was played on newly installed turf. The Superintendent was welcomed as a member of the Santa Cruz Rotary last week, and on October 6th, Ms. Munro and Ms. Meeker will be presenting an update about Santa Cruz City Schools at the Sunshine Rotary Club, where Ms. Meeker is applying for membership. The District Marketing Committee met yesterday for the first time this school year to discuss work in progress and plans for the coming school year. Superintendent Munro is pleased to report that Santa Cruz City Schools has been involved in the Panama Project (Partners in Research and Education through the University of Florida) for four years. Last week, Erin Petersen-Lindberg's 6th grade class had a google chat with Dr. Johnathan Hendricks, a geologist and paleontologist that participated in the Panama trip this past summer. The students worked hard to create scientific questions to ask him about his work, and Ms. Munro was told that the questions were of the caliber used to guide scientific research. The Small Schools campus will be celebrating the 100 year birthday of the Branciforte Elementary Building on Tuesday, October 13, from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Student Representatives' Reports

Student Pageler reported that the Harbor High School Back To School Night was held on the same night as the DeLaveaga Elementary Back To School Night, and families were forced to split up to cover both events. Student Pageler was fortunate to give a presentation in one of the classrooms. The "Club Rush" was held on Friday, September 25th. Fall Sports are in full swing and the Boys' Water Polo team had their first win in 20 games. The Fall play, "You Can't Take It With You" begins in two weeks.

Student Carroll reported that the Santa Cruz High School Back To School Night was a success. "Club Days" included some new clubs, reestablishment of some former clubs and fundraising for clubs. This week Santa Cruz High School students are celebrating "banned books" week and starting sign-ups for an upcoming blood drive. A new digital photography class is available and the Fall play, "You Can't Take It With You" begins in two weeks.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

Board Member Tracy-Proulx reported a great start to the school year for her family. The Branciforte Middle School Tamalada was great fun!

Board Member Perez-Granados attended the Back To School Night at Harbor High School and had a great time. The teachers seemed very excited to part of the Harbor High School team.

Board Member Shonick spoke about District Goal #4: We will develop a highly collaborative, professional culture focused on supporting effective teaching. Mr. Shonick reported he is eager to hear the report later this evening from our SCCS secondary teachers who participated in summer learning opportunities. This type of direct communication from teachers to the school board is vital if the board is to give proper direction and be kept up to date regarding Goal #4. Mr. Shonick would also like to hear from the Teachers on Special Assignment in the near future. A highly collaborative, professional culture focused on supporting effective

teaching cannot emerge without the direct leadership of teachers themselves. Trustee Shonick commends Ms. Meeker and the rest of her staff for their hard work on this much needed process.

Board Member Threet welcomed the Student Representatives to the Board of Education. Ms. Threet attended the Back To School Night and worked the Barbeque fundraiser for Soquel High School. Trustee Threet attended the Safety Meeting at Santa Cruz High School and the Homecoming festivities for Soquel High School. Board Member Threet invited everyone to help in campus beautification at Santa Cruz High School on the fourth Sunday of each month and commends the families who take part for their hard work on behalf of our students.

Board Member Thompson attended the Parcel Tax Oversight Committee meeting on September 14 and volunteered at the Harbor High School Green and Gold Barbeque, where over 300 meals were served. Dr. Thompson is very impressed with the wide range of clubs and activities that are offered at Harbor High School through the Club Rush – it is a wonderful tradition and a great way to welcome 9th grade students to a new school. Dr. Thompson also had fun at the Branciforte Middle School Tamalada on September 25.

Board Member Coonerty has been away and is pleased to be back in Santa Cruz and in attendance for the meeting of the Board of Education. Dr. Coonerty attended the Safety Meeting at Santa Cruz High School and worked at the phone bank for Parcel Tax Measures O & P. The phone bank was a very nice experience – folks are very positive about Santa Cruz City Schools and are quick to say they will support these measures. Dr. Coonerty attended the 50th reunion of the pioneer class at UCSC, and was reminded of the wonderful emotional connections between teachers and students at Santa Cruz City Schools. Teachers here encourage students to have new ideas and try new things and Dr. Coonerty is very proud of our teachers and support staff.

Board President's Report

Board President Vestal had her Santa Cruz City Schools photo identification badge picture taken at DeLaveaga Elementary School and observed the Second Chance Breakfast there – it was very well attended and very well run. Board President Vestal attended the Delta Back To School Night and the Delta School Board meeting and budget study session. President Vestal is pleased to report that Delta Charter High School passed a resolution in support of Parcel Tax Measures O & P.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MSP (Shonick/Threet) 5-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on September 16, 2015 as submitted. Dr. Coonerty and Ms. Tracy-Proulx abstained from the vote as neither was present at this meeting. Students Carroll and Pageler recommended a yes vote on this matter.
2. MSP (Threet/Perez-Granados) 5-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on September 23, 2015 as submitted. Dr. Coonerty and Dr. Thompson abstained from this vote as neither was present at the meeting. Students Carroll and Pageler did not make a recommendation on this matter as neither was present at the meeting.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Shonick 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 4th Quarter Investment Report; Item 8.1.7 Resolution 11-15-16 SCCS Rep. for SC County Adult Ed. Consortium; Item 8.1.8 Master County Agreement for Interdistrict

Attendance; Item 8.1.9 P.E. Exemption for Soquel HS student; Item 8.1.10.1.1 Contract: Teter Architects-DeLaveaga Shade Canopies-DSA Closeouts; Item 8.1.10.1.2 Agreement: Brandis Tallman LLC-Placement agent services-COP Refinancing; Item 8.1.10.1.3 Agreement: Dannis, Wolliver, Kelley-Bond Counsel Services-COP Refinancing; Item 8.1.10.2.1 CSA: Willie Stokes; Item 8.1.10.3.1 CSA: Mitch Weathers; Item 8.1.10.4.1 Out-of-State Non Public School-Heritage Schools, Inc.; Item 8.1.10.4.2 Contract: ARBRITE Organization; Item 8.1.10.4.3 Agreement: Dept. of Healthcare Services-Medical Data; Item 8.1.10.5.1 CSA: Shahe Moutafian-Vision Testing; Item 8.1.11 Disposal of Surplus Property; Item 8.1.12 Change Order(s). Ms. Thompson seconded the motion and the motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

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

Students Carroll and Pageler recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Closed Session Actions Report

- 2.1 The Board of Education took action on the Certificated/Classified/Management Leaves, Retirements, Resignations and appointments.
- 2.2 The Board of Education heard an update from provided direction to designated representative, Molly Parks, regarding negotiations with the SCCCE for 2014-15 and 2015-16.
- 2.3 The Board of Education conferred regarding anticipated litigation (Govt. Code 54956.9).
Property Address: 255 Swift Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 2.4 The Board of Education heard an update about the Special Education Settlement Agreement.

ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED

8.3.1 Staff Report: Illuminate Professional Development

Ms. Meeker introduced Curriculum Director Wildman to report to the Board of Education. Information presented included: current training sessions/users; district funding for this program; direct support from Curriculum and Information Technology for implementation; direct support for end-users from vendor; implementation goals; implementation challenges. The Board asked questions and offered comments. This report was informational in nature, and no action was taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.2 Staff Report: Summer Professional Learning

Ms. Meeker reported that over the summer break, SCCS offered two summer learning opportunities that reflect ongoing work to support students' academic success and social emotional health. In Spring 2015, secondary Science teachers participated in training on Next Generation Science Standards. Over the summer break, teachers met again to develop instructional units based on their professional learning. Teachers will continue to meet with each other and the SCCS Science Teacher on Special Assignment during the school year regarding unit design and implementation. Presenters included: Heather Murphy, Mike Lynch, Laura Beach, Gail Alaimo and Janna Bedell. After the conclusion of this part of the presentation, the Trustees asked questions and offered comments.

SCCS Student Services Director Eileen Brown reported on the Trauma Informed Schools. In August, more than 90 staff members, including teachers, counselors, psychologists and administrators participated in a training provided by the California Center for Excellence in Trauma Informed Care. The goals of this training were to: increase knowledge regarding the impact of adverse childhood experiences on behavior and learning; implement student strategies designed to increase student safety and academic achievement; improve students' self-regulation skills; improve classroom

perseverance skills. Staff at Branciforte Middle School and the Small Schools campus will continue to participate in trainings throughout the 2015-16 school year.

This report was informational in nature, and no actions regarding these matters were taken by the Board of Education.

RECESS: Board President Vestal called for a short recess at 8:34 p.m.

RECONVENE: Board President Vestal reconvened this meeting at 8:45 p.m.

NOTE: Students Carroll and Pageler left the meeting at this time.

8.3.3 New Business: Resolutions 12-15-16 ESD and 13-15-16 HSD to Reimburse Tax Exempt Expenditures

Mr. Monreal reported federal laws and regulations permit a public agency to issue bonds and use the proceeds to reimburse the District's General Fund or other funds for expenses incurred in advance of the issuance of tax exempt obligations, as long as the District takes an official action to evidence its intent. Mr. Shonick moved approval of Resolution 12-15-16 ESD and Resolution 13-15-16 HSD to Reimburse Tax Exempt Expenditures and Dr. Thompson seconded this motion. The motion was passed by roll call vote, as follows:

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

8.3.4 New Business: Resolution 14-15-16 Management, 15-15-16 Certificated and 16-15-16 Classified Section 125 Renewals

Mr. Monreal reported that these resolutions are required to bring the district into compliance with Internal Revenue Code regarding Section 125 Flexible Fringe Benefits plans offered to district employees. Dr. Coonerty moved approval of Resolution 14-15-16 (Management), Resolution 15-15-16 (Certificated), and Resolution 16-15-16 (Classified) Section 125 Renewals and Dr. Thompson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

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

8.3.5 New Business: Approve Agreement between SCCS and GSCFT

Ms. Parks reported that our District Nurses have much work to be done prior to the first student day of each school year. The new agreement extends their annual work schedule by 16 days to allow time for this important work and places these employees on the same salary schedule as the School Psychologists and Speech Language Pathologists. MSP (Coonerty/Tracy-Proulx) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the agreement between SCCS and the GSCFT regarding District Nurses.

8.3.6 New Business: Revised Salary Schedules: District Nurses

MSP (Threet/Tracy-Proulx) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the revised salary schedules for District Nurses as called for by the agreement approved in the previous board agenda item.

8.3.7 New Business: Revision of District Goal #2

Superintendent Munro reported that, in August, the Trustees requested a revision to District Goal #2. The Superintendent has crafted a revised goal for approval by the Board of Education. The proposed goal reads: *SCCS will create positive, engaging school environments that promote the development of cognitive skills and the social emotional well-being of all students.* MSP (Thompson/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education approved revised District Goal #2.

10. The Regular Meeting on February 10, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
11. The Regular Meeting on February 24, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
12. The Regular Meeting on March 9, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
13. The Regular Meeting on March 23, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
14. The Board Study Session on April 13, 2016, 5:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
15. The Regular Meeting on April 20, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
16. The Regular Meeting on May 11, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
17. 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.
18. The joint meeting of the Board of Education and the Budget Advisory Committee on June 2, 2016, 5:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
19. 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.
20. 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 Vestal adjourned this Open Session of the Regular Meeting at 9:00 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Santa Cruz City Schools

Claudia Vestal, President
Board of Education