

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
September 16, 2015**

Convene Closed Session

Board President Vestal called this Regular Meeting Closed Session to order at 5:30 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

Santa Cruz Council of Classified Employees Chief Negotiator Jeanie Brown asked for a raise to be put on the bargaining unit salary schedules for the 2014-15 year. SCCCE President Chacanaca and Vice President Violante voiced their support for this request.

Convene Open Session

Board President Vestal called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:31 p.m. in the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

Attendance at Meeting

Deedee Perez-Granados	Jeremy Shonick	Alisun Thompson
Patricia Threet	Claudia Vestal	

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

Absent: Sheila Coonerty Deb Tracy-Proulx

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

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S and STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

It is great to have students and teachers return to sites. Cabinet Members visited every site on opening day and wish to thank everyone for their efforts to ensure our schools were ready to welcome students and families back for Fall 2015. The Superintendent and other Cabinet members have been visiting different site parent groups and acknowledge the amazing support and partnership parents provide for the education of children in this community. The monthly Trustee meetings with Superintendent Munro are now taking place at school sites and this transition has been successful and allowed for classroom visits with Board Members. The first Community Meeting of the year took place last week at DeLaveaga Elementary. There was a large turnout of folks – needs were heard and questions were answered. Congratulations to the Santa Cruz High School Auto Shop program, which was recognized for the 15th year by the Santa Cruz Department of Public Works as a Clean Ocean Business. Superintendent Munro attended the Cabrillo College board meeting to share information about our proposed parcel tax measures. The Cabrillo Board of Education passed a resolution in support of both Measures O and P. The Santa Cruz Community is invited to an evening celebrating kindness, empathy and compassion on September 24th, 6:30 p.m., at the Rio Theatre in Santa Cruz. The event features both comedian Michael Pritchard and Justina Bryant, creator of the “21 Days of Kindness Challenge” – and the evening begins with a performance by the Gault Elementary El Sistema musicians. Superintendent Munro and Assistant Superintendent Parks will attend the Santa Cruz Women’s Leadership Forum tomorrow and look forward to the opportunity to meet community leaders. The Santa Cruz Warriors are hosting “A Taste of the Warriors” on October 10th at Kaiser Permanente Arena. This event will benefit Santa Cruz City Schools and tickets are available through santacruzbasketball.com. The Santa Cruz Education Foundation will host fundraisers for AVID and VAPA: September 26th @ the SC Civic for Fashion Arts Santa Cruz (tickets at Bookshop Santa Cruz); October 19th @ Oswald’s (tickets at Brown Paper Tickets). The Trustees were emailed a schedule of photo opportunities dates and times to secure a district ID badge. Superintendent Munro attended the Santa Cruz County Board of Education dinner. This event was hosted by the County Office of Education and presented an opportunity to meet and exchange ideas with State Superintendent of Schools Tom Torlakson.

Note: At this time, Assistant Superintendent Meeker introduced the Student Representatives for the 2015-16 school year. The Board welcomed Ella Carroll (Grade 12 @ Santa Cruz High School) and Aren Pageler (Grade 12 @ Harbor High School).

Student Representatives' Reports

Student Carroll is excited to represent her peers and provide a youthful perspective on matters to come before the Board of Education. Ms. Carroll’s experience in the Student Senate will help her utilize a constructive process in board matters, as well as her participation in Theater Arts and as President of the Literature Society. Fall Sports are in full swing at Santa Cruz High School and auditions are currently being conducted for the upcoming theater production.

Student Pageler is pleased to have been nominated by Principal Davis to participate in the Board of Education. Mr. Pageler feels very involved in his high school and believes that committees/meetings can produce change and affect the future of those around us. In addition to his high school classes, Student Pageler is taking courses at Cabrillo College this year. Harbor High School has lots of new teachers in the Math and Science departments, and Mr. Pageler is excited to see how they will contribute to the current programs.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

Board Member Perez-Granados met with Small Schools Co-Principals Tabachnick and Hambright to tour the campus and was impressed with the many offerings at the Small Schools campus. Dr. Perez-Granados enjoyed the Community Meeting at DeLaveaga Elementary last week and had conversations with about 35 parents regarding both academics and facilities. On September 10, Dr. Perez-Granados attended the SC County Board of Education Dinner and shared district needs and challenges with State Supt. Torlakson as well as other district board members.

Board Member Threet thanked Santa Cruz County Supt. of Schools Michael Watkins for hosting the County Board Member dinner – it was a great event. Ms. Threet attended the Soquel High School Parent Athletic Meeting in support of both athletics and the expectations for participants and audience members. Trustee Threet enjoyed serving at the Annual Employee Breakfast. Ms. Threet has been busy working on supporting a couple of local tax measures. Board Member Threet invites any interested parties to join her on the 4th Sunday of each month at the campus beautification work on the Santa Cruz High School campus.

Board Member Thompson welcomed the new student representatives and noted that she finds their activism and advocacy impressive. Dr. Thompson attended the Santa Cruz County Youth Violence Prevention Task Force Meeting and reports that Santa Cruz and Live Oak will create their own task force to study issues in this immediate area and create a progressive plan aligned to district goals. Stakeholder meetings will take place over the next few months. Dr. Thompson attended the Parcel Tax Oversight Committee (PTOC) meeting last night, as well as parent meetings for Monarch Elementary, DeLaveaga Elementary, Bay View Elementary, Branciforte Middle School and Harbor High School. It is wonderful to have this input and Dr. Thompson is excited to start the year.

Board President's Report

Board President Vestal reported attending the District Leadership Kickoff meeting in August and is impressed with both the strength of the Leadership Team and the collaborative ability of our administrators. Delta Charter High School has gone “cell free” during school hours – teachers and students place their phones in the “cell hotel” during the day – and the teachers report fewer requests for restroom passes and a calmer classroom atmosphere. Board President Vestal toured Santa Cruz High School with Superintendent Munro and Mr. Monreal and attended the Santa Cruz County Board Member Dinner event. The Board President thanked the Student Representatives for their participation in the board meetings – it is important to hear student voices. Board President Vestal thanked Dr. Thompson and Mrs. Threet for their tax parcel measures committee work.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MSP (Threet/Perez-Granados) 5-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 5, 2015 as submitted.
2. MSP (Thompson/Threet) 4-0-1, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 11, 2015, with the stipulation that the Recording Secretary add the adjournment time to the report. Dr. Perez-Granados abstained from this vote as she was not present at the meeting.
3. MSP (Thompson/Perez-Granados) 5-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 12, 2015 as submitted.

Consent Agenda

Board Member Threet asked Mr. Monreal a question about one of the Consent Agenda items, but did not pull the item for a separate discussion and/or vote.

Board Member Thompson 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 Resolution 05-15-16 DROPS Grant; Item 8.1.6 Resolution 06-15-16 Bypass Public Bidding Process; Item 8.1.7 Resolutions 07-15-16 and 08-15-16 for canopies at DeLaveaga Elementary; Item 8.1.8 Resolution 08-15-16 Santa Cruz HS Scholarship Fund for Joseph DellaMora Memorial; Item 8.1.9 Bid Award – Valley Precision Grading – Soquel HS Football field; Item 8.1.10 PTOC Resignations and Appointment; Item 8.1.11 Board Policy Updates – Second/Final Reading; Item 1.12 Updated Job Description-Certificated Social Worker; Item 8.1.13 New Job Description-Teacher on Special Assignment/Athletic Director; Item 8.1.14 Overnight Field Trip-Costanoa HS; Item 8.1.15.1.1 CSA Jo Kenny-District Grant Writer; Item 8.1.15.2.1 Contract w/Document Tracking Services; Item 8.1.15.3.1 Contract w/City of Santa Cruz-Prevention of Violence Against Women; Item 8.1.15.3.2 CSA: Margaret Lacey/Vision Testing; Item 8.1.15.4.1 Lease Agreement-COE, 313 Swift Street, Santa Cruz, CA; Item 8.1.15.5.1 CSA: Scotts Hamill-Athletic Trainer for Soquel HS; Item 8.1.15.6.1 CSA: Dientes Community Dental Care; Item 8.1.15.6.2 CSA: Enid Lee-Checking our Systems for Equity; Item 8.1.15.7.1 CSA: Mary Schillinger-supporting Special Ed students in Common Core; Item 8.1.15.7.2 Non Public Agency Contract; Item 8.1.15.7.3 Non Public Schools Contracts –out of state; Item 8.1.15.7.4 Agreements for Professional Services-items (a) and (b); Item 8.1.15.8.1 Contract w/Verizon Cell at Soquel HS; Item 8.1.15.8.2 Contract: Teter Architects-fencing Harbor HS and PCS; Item 8.1.15.8.3 Contract: SCCS FS & COE-school lunches; Item 8.1.15.8.4 Contract: JR Fencing-Santa Cruz HS; Item 8.1.15.8.5 Contract: Illuminate; Item 8.1.15.8.6 Contract: Brazos Urethane, Inc.-Garland Roof Restoration; Item 8.1.15.8.7 Contract: Digital Schools Addendum; Item 8.1.16 Disposal of Surplus Property. Ms. Threet seconded the motion and the motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Perez-Granados – Yes Shonick – Yes Thompson – Yes Threet – 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 conferred (Govt. Code 54956.8) regarding property.
Property Address: 313 Swift Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED

8.3.1 Staff Report: Summer School Report

Summer School Principals Robert Ellingsen (Elementary), Rishi Lal (Middle School) and Lisa Storer (High School) reported to the Trustees about available offerings over the summer break. Elementary programs included work in student fluency and math number sense. The middle school program provided a Math Academy, and the high school programs included a Math Bridge class and a Credit Recovery class. Academic Equity and Categorical Programs Director Gross reported to the Board of Education regarding the Migrant outreach programs that were offered during the summer break.

Home visits, health screenings, parent education, credit accrual through online programs, field trips to CSUMB and Cal State Fullerton were all part of the offerings for migrant students aged Preschool through 22. This report was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.2 Staff Report: Opening Enrollments

Mr. Monreal provided the "head count" on September 2nd (the sixth day of the school year) and compared that attendance number to the 2015-16 projected enrollment, as well as the October 2014 CBEDS. This report was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.3 Staff Report: New Teacher Report

Ms. Parks reported the New Employee Orientation was held on August 19th at the District Office. There were 54 certificated positions filled and the new employees were warmly welcomed by the District staff. Much excitement filled the room as new employees were introduced to the District goals and vision. This report was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.4 Staff Report: State Testing Update

Curriculum Director Wildman reported that the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) System replaced the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program. The CAASPP System encompasses multiple assessments and student participation requirements, including Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) summative assessments, which were administered for the first time last spring. Results from these tests, which reflect the 2014-15 school year, have arrived and are available for review. These results cannot be compared to our former California Standards Test (CST) or STAR results, as the assessments are not based on the same standards, nor administered in the same format. Administrators and teachers will have access to these results via *Illuminate*, our new student data system. Student results have been mailed to parents. This report was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.5 Staff Report: Local Control and Accountability Plan Strategic Initiatives and Instructional Focus

Ms. Meeker provided an overview of our instructional focus areas for the 2015-16 school year. Information included our collective mission, essential strategies, teaching and learning, response to instruction and intervention for elementary and secondary, creating a college going culture and district celebrations. This report was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

RECESS: Board President Vestal called for a short recess at 8:29 p.m.

RECONVENE: Board President Vestal reconvened this meeting at 8:38 p.m.

NOTE: Students Carroll and Pageler left the meeting during the recess period.

8.3.6 Information Item: Superintendent's Goals and Action Items for 2015-16

Superintendent Munro is committed to an open agenda and communication with Trustees, District Staff and the greater Santa Cruz school community as the district team works diligently to engage students' hearts and minds...every student, every day. The Superintendent's goals included: 1) a description of what would be done; 2) how and when success will be measured; 3) Superintendent's Evaluation. This report was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.7 New Business: 2014-15 Unaudited Actuals

Mr. Monreal presented the Unaudited Actuals, which represent the final fiscal year-end report for 2014-15. Based on these final figures, the projected budget for 2015-16 was also revised and presented to the Trustees. The Board Members and members of the Public asked questions and clarified information. MSP (Threet/Thompson) 5-0, the Board of Education approved the 2014-15 Unaudited Actuals and the 2015-16 Revised Budget.

8.3.8 New Business: Resolution 10-15-16 GANN Limits

Mr. Monreal reported that this routine resolution is presented annually to the Trustees for approval since the passage of Proposition 4 in 1979. The worksheet recalculates the prior year (2014-15) GANN Limits based on actual ADA and revenues, and calculates the current 2015-16 year GANN limits based on projected ADA and budgeted revenues. Board Member Threet moved approval and Dr. Thompson seconded the motion. This motion was passed by roll call vote as follows:

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

8.3.9 New Business: Approval of Personnel Commissioner James Spano

Ms. Parks reported that Education Code 45246(d) specifies that the governing board's appointment must be approved 30-45 days following a public hearing. A public hearing on this matter was conducted on August 12, 2015. MSP (Threet/Shonick) 5-0, the Board of Education approved Personnel Commissioner James Spano as the Board appointed member of the Personnel Commission.

8.3.10 New Business: Sunshine Items for 2015-16 Negotiations for SCCS and SCCCE

Ms. Parks recommended that the Trustees approve the Santa Cruz City Schools 2015-16 contract proposals to the Santa Cruz Council of Classified Employees for "sunshining". MSP (Threet/Thompson) 5-0, the Board of Education approved the items.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

1. The Regular Meeting on October 14, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
2. The Regular Meeting on October 28, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
3. The Board Study Session on November 4, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the Santa Cruz City Schools District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
4. The Regular Meeting on November 18, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
5. The Board Study Session on December 2, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the Santa Cruz City Schools District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
6. The Regular Meeting on December 9, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
7. The Regular Meeting on January 13, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
8. The Regular Meeting on January 27, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
9. 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.

10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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.

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 9:13 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Santa Cruz City Schools

Claudia Vestal, President
Board of Education