

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
February 15, 2017**

Convene Closed Session

Board President Tracy-Proulx called this Regular Meeting Closed Session to order at 6:00 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 Tracy-Proulx called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:40 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	Alisun Thompson
Patty Threet	Deb Tracy-Proulx	Claudia Vestal	

Absent: Student Representative: Aayliah Wilson, Costanoa High School

Absent: Student Representative Steve Munoz: Soquel 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 President Tracy-Proulx welcomed those in attendance and explained the format used for this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

Agenda Changes

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

GSCFT President Kirschen offered congratulations to Superintendent Munro and all our SCCS Administrators for the excellent job of communicating an exemplary level of caring and protection for all students. GSCFT Vice President Carlson reported that the GSCFT has contacted Congressman Jimmy Panetta to oppose the "Choices in Education" Act, which would repeal both the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965 and the USDA's healthy food standards for students which have been adopted across the nation. Santa Cruz Education Foundation Representative Rocco Cappalla reported that the Education Foundation is working on the Grant application to ensure computer science for all students. The application is due February 22 and Mr. Wells and his team have been very helpful during this process.

SUPERINTENDENT'S and STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Munro thanked site leaders and teachers for their hard work to showcase our wonderful schools during the Open House events, and for their deep commitment to their school communities. SCCS received Bond Ratings: AAA Fitch rating (highest possible) and AA2 Moody rating. This is very positive news for our taxpayers as we go out for our first round of sales. The Superintendent thanked the Facilities Team for their quick response to many storm challenges at our sites. Ms. Parks and Mr. Gaffney have worked with HR Manager Dominguez and school sites to finalize staffing allocations for 2017-18. This work supports finalized master schedules for school year planning. On Monday, Homeland Security actions caused anxiety for many families. Superintendent Munro thanked Teacher on Special Assignment (TOSA) Mary Anne Robb, School Social Worker Nereida Robles and School Community Coordinators Fe Silva and Reyna Ruiz for their leadership and support. SCCS will continue to reassure families of our commitment to support them and their children. Superintendent Munro acknowledged Board President Tracy-Proulx and Board Members Thompson and Coonerty for attending Community Meetings and the ELAC meeting. District Superintendents Munro, Taylor (Live Oak) and Rodriguez (Pajaro Valley) met with UCSC Chancellor Blumenthal this week to discuss the national teacher shortage and the importance of the UCSC Credentialing Program for Santa Cruz County. Superintendent Munro and Mr. Wells will be attending the CISC Conference next week and look forward to hearing from and meeting with Curriculum and Instruction leaders from across the state.

Student Representative's Report

Student Representative Munoz has been very busy with first semester final exams and community service, but is glad to be here this evening. Student Munoz was honored to be one of the speakers at the 2017 Latino Role Model Conference at Cabrillo College on January 28. The Soquel High School Winter Formal was January 30 at the Coconut Grove in Santa Cruz. Soquel High is planning a Senior Student Talent Show and a March 24 Dance to fundraise for Graduation. There will be an additional Club Day in May of 2017.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

Board Member Thompson attended the Community Meeting on Monday and the ELAC Meeting on Tuesday and received parent emails thanking the District for providing timely information to families who were anxious about the Homeland Security and SCPD actions. Dr. Thompson thanked District Leadership for taking a stand to protect students. Dr. Thompson attended the LGBTQ Summit in Watsonville on February 11. The student-led workshops and trainings showcased impressive student leadership and staff support, and the event had a great showing of folks from Santa Cruz City Schools. Dr. Thompson attended a performance of the Harbor High School Escapades Dance Troupe last weekend and reports that the arts are alive and well in SCCS schools. Teacher Cathy Warner has empowered these students in a wonderful way.

Board Member Threet visited Kinder and Grade 5 classes at Westlake Elementary with Superintendent Munro and Principal Curley. Trustee Threet offered a special thank you to district teachers dealing with students who have been cooped up due to weather conditions for an extended time period. Ms. Threet echoed the sentiments of Dr. Thompson – the arts are alive and well in SCCS schools – as evidenced by a great Westlake 5th Grade musical performance – made possible, in part, by the generous taxpayers in our community. Board Member Threet attended one of the employee information meetings to explain the Classified Reclassification Study – this is great work on the part of the district. Trustee Threet acknowledged O'Neill Sea Odyssey Director Dan Haifley for his mission to make the beautiful Monterey Bay available free of charge to all students in grades 4 through 6. All are invited to the Santa Cruz High School Campus Beautification Day on February 26.

Board Member Coonerty attended the ELAC Meeting on Tuesday night, and was struck by how happy she is to be part of a district where the staff took such care with parents, families and students. They spent considerable time explaining what to do if the “unthinkable” happened, and it is reassuring to know that our families feel safe turning to our district staff when times are frightening. Dr. Coonerty appreciated the quick action of Superintendent Munro and her steady leadership. Dr. Coonerty was very proud to hear that attendees of the Santa Cruz City Council Meeting were quick to point out that they had received useful information at the public schools meeting.

Board Member Vestal reported that Delta Charter High School is adding a “Rights and Resources” bulletin board to campus so that students can be well-informed. The Math Lab has been highly successful at supporting Math 1 students at Delta. Go for Health continues collaborating with several Santa Cruz city agencies using the Healthy City model. Planning stages have begun for a Go for Health Resource Day and Education Fair, as well as a centralized social media outlet to promote all Go for Health organizations, events and programs. Trustee Vestal acknowledged Pie for the People for selecting the Senderos organization as the recipient of their recent fundraiser. Community awareness and support for our programs seems to be growing.

Board President’s Report

Board President Tracy-Proulx acknowledged the calm and thoughtful leadership of Superintendent Munro in response to the Homeland Security actions last weekend. Her actions were well-received. The Board President attended both the Branciforte Middle School and Harbor High School Open House events, and was pleased to see high attendance at each. Board President Tracy-Proulx met with City Councilmember David Terrazas to brief him on the SCCS response to the Homeland Security actions and the police actions on February 13, 2017. As a result, the city is working with Santa Cruz City Schools and the Monterey County Bar Association on free legal workshops regarding immigration issues.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MSP (Thompson/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on February 1, 2017 as submitted. Student Munoz abstained from a recommendation on this matter.

Consent Agenda

Dr. 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, Quotes and Bids; Item 8.1.4. Warrant Register; Item 8.1.5. Budget Transfers; Item 8.1.6. Eliminating Unfilled/Outdated Classified Positions; Item 8.1.7. School Safety Plans; Item 8.1.8. Disposition of Surplus Property; Item 8.1.9.1.1. CSA: Harbor HS-Organized Binder; Item 8.1.9.1.2. CSA: Soquel HS-Organized Binder. Dr. Coonerty had some questions regarding Item 8.1.9.1.1. and Item 8.1.9.1.2. Organized Binder programs, and Superintendent Munro provided the requested information. Dr. Perez-Granados seconded the 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	

Student Munoz recommended a yes vote on this matter.

8.2 Closed Session Actions

1. The Board of Education heard an update regarding Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint (Govt. Code Section 54957).
2. The Board of Education heard information on Expulsion 15-16-17 to prepare for a vote later this evening in Open Session.

The Board of Education will return to Closed Session at the close of Open Session to finish the Closed Session Business.

8.2.2. Vote on Expulsion 15-16-17

1. MSP (Coonerty/Thompson) 7-0, the Board of Education approved Expulsion 15-16-17 as submitted.

ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED

8.3.1. Staff Report: Landed Homeownership Support

Superintendent Munro introduced AFE Graduate, former Board of Education Student Representative and current Landed employee Ian Magruder to present information regarding the program to the Board Members. Mr. Magruder reported that Landed helps faculty and staff afford homes through community-based investment. Staff that need assistance for a down payment can receive up to 10% of the value of the home through establishing a Landed Fund in partnership with Santa Cruz City Schools. The original funds plus 25% of the increased home value must be paid back at the end of a 10 year period, either through the sale or refinancing of the property. Following the presentation, Trustees asked questions and made comments, as well as heard comments and questions from the Public. This item was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.2. Staff Report: Staff Housing Survey

Superintendent Munro shared the results of the housing survey that was administered in December 2016. The survey was made available to all certificated and classified employees to gather feedback and information on current housing data and the interest of district employees in possible future housing opportunities. Following the presentation, Trustees asked questions and made comments, as well as heard comments and questions from the Public. This item was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.3. Staff Report: Personnel Commission Update

Classified Personnel Director Houser reported to the Board of Education. Director Houser began by acknowledging the diligent work of the three Personnel Commissioners, who receive a small stipend for performing significant services on behalf of District Classified Personnel. Information presented included: Personnel Commission Team; Evaluation Process; Classification Study information. This item was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

**NOTE: Student Munoz left the meeting at the conclusion of this item.

8.3.4. Staff Report: Preliminary and Long Term Enrollment Projections

Mr. Gaffney reported that District Staff has worked with DecisionInsite, a demography service, to research and develop both short and long term enrollment projections. Tonight's information outlines projections based on current district and feeder district data, housing development plans, bond projects and other factors. District staff will continue to work with DecisionInsite to audit and monitor these projections to inform our future budget and facilities planning. Following the presentation, Trustees asked questions and made comments. This item was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.5. New Business: Resolution 21-16-17 Reduction of Particular Kinds of Services

THIS ITEM WAS PULLED FROM THE AGENDA PRIOR TO THE MEETING

8.3.6. New Business: Resolution 22-16-17 Non-reelection of Certain Probationary Certificated Employees

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8.3.7. New Business: CSBA Board Policy Updates – First and/or final Reading

Superintendent Munro reported that new and revised policies are submitted through the GAMUT online board policy book updating process, which sends policies for review to participating districts approximately six times per year. These recommendations reflect recent changes in education code and case law. The policies have been reviewed by staff to ensure that any required customization for Santa Cruz City Schools has been included. These policies were also sent to the Trustees in advance of this meeting for review. Board Policy 5111.3 Protection of Undocumented Students was not brought to Santa Cruz City Schools through the GAMUT Process. This policy has been submitted to the Agenda Committee by GSCFT Secondary Vice President Casey Carlson. The policy is new, so there is no current policy for review. MSP (Thompson/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education approved **Board Policy 5111.3 Protection of Undocumented Students** for final reading. All other policies were approved for first reading and will be brought back for final approval on March 8, 2017.

8.3.8. Staff Report: Bond Update

Mr. Gaffney provided an update on Bond projects. The Trustees have requested continuing updates throughout the facilities projects. This item was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.9. New Business: CSBA Delegate Assembly Vote

Santa Cruz City Schools is a part of Region 9A of the California School Boards Association. At this time, Region 9A has one incumbent Delegate running for reelection. The SCCS Trustees are not obligated to cast a vote in this election, although they may choose to do so. Following discussion and a recommendation of his qualifications from Dr. Thompson, MSP (Thompson/Coonerty) 7-0, the Board of Education voted for incumbent George Wylie from San Lorenzo Valley USD to continue as a Delegate for Region 9A.

9. Adjournment of Meeting

At the conclusion of the business of the Open Session, Board President Tracy-Proulx adjourned this Open Session at 8:35 p.m. to allow the Trustees to return to Closed Session.

10. Return to Closed Session

The Board of Education returned to Closed Session at 8:36 p.m.

11. Report of Closed Session Actions

3. The Board of Education approved a resignation agreement.
4. The Board of Education took action on Certificated/Classified/Management Leaves, Retirements, Resignations & Appointments.

12. Adjournment of Meeting

There being no further business to come before the Trustees, Board President Tracy-Proulx adjourned this Open Session of the Regular Meeting at 9:14 p.m.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. 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

Deb Tracy-Proulx, President
Board of Education