

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
December 9, 2015**

Convene Closed Session

Board President Vestal called this Regular Meeting Closed Session to order at 5:35 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

SCCCE President Chacanaca provided an update on Negotiations for his bargaining unit. Mr. Chacanaca reported that the SCCCE Team feels they are very close to a settlement with the Administration and are hoping that after your Closed Session update and direction to Ms. Parks, a settlement will be reached. Mr. Chacanaca noted that there has been a lot of give and take on both sides.

Convene Open Session

Board President Vestal called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:34 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	
Patricia Threet	Alisun Thompson	Deb Tracy-Proulx	Claudia Vestal

Student Representative Ella Carroll, Santa Cruz High School

Absent: Student Representative Aren Pageler, Harbor High School

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

Dr. Perez-Granados moved that the Board Reorganization be moved to follow Item 9.3.7 Tentative Agreement between SCCS and GSCFT Adult Education. This motion was seconded by Ms. Threet, and approved with a vote of 6-0-1. Ms. Tracy-Proulx abstained from this vote. Student Carroll abstained from making a recommendation on this matter.

Ms. Threet moved to have Item 9.3.3 1st Interim Report follow Item 9.3.1 Secondary RtI Coordinators in order to accommodate members of the audience who are here to participate in the budget discussion. Dr. Perez-Granados seconded this motion, which was approved by a vote of 7-0.

Superintendent's Remarks Prior to Public Comments

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Westlake Parent Tim Madsen spoke on behalf of some of the parent community in the SCCS comprehensive elementary schools who are concerned that plans for utilizing the vacant Natural Bridges campus are being made without public input or discussion. These concerned parents would like to request that prior to making any final decisions regarding the use of this facility, intentions are shared with the public in a timely fashion that allows for public discussion and input prior to final determinations.

SUPERINTENDENT'S AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Over the last two weeks, Superintendent Munro and Ms. Parks met with Adult Education staff to answer questions about the county transition plans for adult education. The group will meet again after Winter Break and Superintendent Munro appreciates that the focus of these discussions remains fixed upon preserving and improving upon services for adults and using the countywide consortium to create pathways for the education of adults. This week SCCS continued collaboration with Pajaro Valley Unified School District to plan for a county-wide adult education program beginning in 2016-17. Santa Cruz County has been without a Director for the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) since June, 2015. This person coordinates with school districts and the County Office of Education to provide a continuum of programs and services for special needs individuals from birth through age 22. Santa Cruz City Schools is the largest district in the SC County SELPA and has the most students placed in COE programs. Superintendent Munro participated in the second round of interviews on December 7th as part of her role on the Special Education Coordinating Agency (SECA) Board, and is pleased to report that strong candidates were reviewed. The Superintendent met with Santa Cruz Mayor Cynthia Mathews to seek her feedback and discuss collaboration with the City of Santa Cruz, as well as the role of Santa Cruz City Schools in the larger community. Dr. Eddie Fergus met with every secondary principals and Response to Intervention coordinators, as well as the central office team, to talk about how we continue to work to improve both our tier 1 and tier 2 programs. Next week the Superintendent, Trustee Shonick, Ms. Parks, GSCFT President Kirschen and SCCCE President Chacanaca will attend the state sponsored Labor/Management Initiative, which brings school district leadership and bargaining units together. Pacific Collegiate School completed their move last week. Fire restoration work continues at the Natural Bridges campus. The district is still in conversation with a potential tenant for this site and we are still exploring other short term options. Superintendent Munro hopes to provide some possible scenarios for the use of this site by the end of January.

Student Representative's Reports

Student Carroll reported that the cast for the winter musical at Santa Cruz High School has been decided and rehearsals have been organized and begun. The Campus Beautification coming on December 12 is expected to be well attended, as students who are required to attend Saturday School have been offered double attendance credits for participating in the campus work. The Santa Cruz Museum of Art and History will be the location for the Santa Cruz High School Winter Formal. Folks enjoyed the Choir concert. Students participated in the Santa Cruz Holiday Parade on December 5. Students and Staff are looking forward to Winter Break.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

Board Member Shonick thanked Ms. Meeker and Ms. Wildman for allowing Trustees to hear directly from teachers when reporting on school/site matters. Mr. Shonick thanked teachers Spiers, Kennedy, Caruso, Lynch and McDowell for being here this evening to report to the Board of Education.

Board Member Threet visited Mission Hill Middle School classes on December 4th. The three Math classes were in close alignment regarding curriculum and the Science class was very interesting as well. A lively ball game was observed in the Physical Education class. Trustee Threet thanked the PTA Presidents who attended the December 2nd Study Session and provided their input on budget decisions. Ms. Threet attended the Budget Advisory Committee meeting on December 8. Soquel High School will host a Craft Faire on December 12.

Board Member Thompson had the opportunity to attend an initial meeting of a sub-committee for the Youth Violence Prevention Task Force. Many of the goals of this committee are shared with Santa Cruz City Schools. Dr. Thompson especially enjoyed observing the collaboration of various county school districts and other community groups. Dr. Thompson is pleased to be a part of this working committee.

Board Member Coonerty attended the "Positive Discipline" workshop at the County Office of Education. Dr. Coonerty spent time this past week studying budget information, and while doing this work reflected on her conversations with the public and staff. Dr. Coonerty is very grateful for the monthly meetings with Superintendent Munro, and it is also great to have continuing interaction with members of the public. As Dr. Coonerty begins her 4th year as a Trustee, she feels the benefit of the instructive training/study sessions provided by the District Administration. Dr. Coonerty appreciates parents/community members reaching out with ideas and folks can email and/or call her at any time. Although Assemblyman Mark Stone's recent attempt to pass legislation to provide funds for Outdoor School) failed in August, but he will continue his advocacy and support. It would be important for members of our community to let Assemblyman Stone know if you are available to lend time to support this issue.

Board Member Tracy-Proulx attended the CSBA Assembly meeting last week and received information on recent upcoming and pending legislation. The conference had great speakers and allowed thoughtful conversations with colleagues. Ms. Tracy-Proulx would be pleased to share information with interested parties.

Board Member Perez-Granados visited Mission Hill with Ms. Threet, Mr. Shonick and Superintendent Munro on December 4th to observe Math and Science classes, and it was time well-spent. Dr. Perez-Granados attended the Board Study Session on December 2nd and the Budget Advisory Committee on December 8. Dr. Perez-Granados attended Professional Development and enjoyed the collaboration among teachers. Dr. Perez-Granados thanked her fellow Board Members, Staff, and members of the public for helping her through the very steep learning curve of her first year on the Board of Education.

Board President's Report

Board President Vestal attended a Wellness Committee Meeting and is anticipating the Cal-Fresh kick-off in March 2016. The Board President attended the grand opening of the new site for Pacific Collegiate School. Board President Vestal attended the Board Study Session on December 2nd and the Budget Advisory

Coordinators have also worked closely with their site principals to look at their school programs to support student achievement in their focus content area. Four of our schools are focusing on closing the achievement gap in math, and one on science. Coordinators Caruso, Kennedy, Lynch, McDowell and Spiers provided detailed information and answered questions from the Board Members. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

**Note – At this time, Assistant Superintendent Parks left the meeting.

9.3.3 New Business: 1st Interim Report

Mr. Monreal reported to the Trustees regarding this matter and asked the Board to approve the 2015-16 1st Interim Report with a Positive Certification. A positive certification is assigned when the District will meet its financial obligations for the current year and the two subsequent fiscal years. Following a lengthy discussion among Board Members, District Staff and Members of the Audience, MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Thompson) 7-0, the Board directed administration to increase school site supply budgets by \$20 per student and \$25 for students who are on free or reduced lunch for the 2015-16 school year. Student Carroll recommended a yes vote on this matter. MSP (Thompson/Coonerty) 7-0, the Board Members accepted the 1st Interim Report as submitted. Student Carroll recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Recess: Board President Vestal called for a short recess at this time.

Reconvene: Board President Vestal reconvened this Regular Meeting following a short recess.

**Note – During the recess, Student Representative Carroll left the meeting.

9.3.2 Staff Report: LCAP Goals and Metrics Dashboard

The Board of Education postponed this matter until the Regular Meeting on January 13, 2016.

9.3.4 New Business: Annual Developer Fee Report

Mr. Monreal reported that the District collects Developer Fees that are assessed on a per square foot basis on new residential and commercial construction within the District. These funds are used to provide school facilities to house and service the growth in student enrollment generated by the new construction. Total Developer Fee Revenues in 2014-15 were \$320,019. Expenditures for the fiscal year were \$254,125 and are detailed in the attached report. MSP (Thompson/Tracy-Proulx) 7-0, the Board approved the annual developer fee report.

9.3.5 Staff Report: Review of Board Policy 5125.1 and revised AR 5125.1: Release of Directory Information

Superintendent Munro reviewed current Board Policy 5125.1 Release of Directory Information and provided an update on revised Administrative Regulation 5125.1 Release of Directory Information. During discussion, Trustees advised the Superintendent to ensure that there is legal guidance for the new process and to try to reduce the amount of paper used in the first day packets for SCCS families. This report was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Trustees regarding this matter.

9.3.6 New Business: California School Boards Association 2016 Delegate Assembly Nomination

The California School Board's Delegate Assembly is a vital link in the association's governance structure. Any CSBA member board is eligible to nominate board members within their geographical region or subregion. Delegates will serve two-year terms beginning April 1, 2016 through March 31,

2018. There are two required Delegate Assembly meetings each year, one in May in Sacramento and one that precedes the CSBA Annual Education Conference and Trade show in November/December. MSP (Thompson/Threet) 7-0, the Board of Education nominated Board Member Tracy-Proulx for the CSBA Delegate Assembly.

9.3.7 New Business: Tentative Agreement between SCCS and GSCFT Adult Education

Superintendent Munro reported that a tentative agreement was reached on November 20, 2015. A public hearing to comply with AB1200 will be held on January 13, 2016 prior to the adoption of the revised salary schedules. The one-time, off schedule payment of 2.5% for 14-15 base salary increase is projected at approximately \$10,302. The total benefits is projected at \$1,462. The 3% salary schedule increase in 2015-16 is projected at approximately \$12,941. The total benefits is projected at \$1,837.

Public Comment: GSCFT President Kirschen expressed appreciation of the non-contentious process for the assessment of a reasonable request and that the district came back with a “yes” which was the right thing to do. The process made adult educators feel valued.

MSP (Threet/Thompson) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the tentative agreement between SCCS and GSCFT Adult Education.

ANNUAL BOARD REORGANIZATION

5.1 Election of Board President

Superintendent Munro presented outgoing Board President Vestal with a plaque commemorating her tenure as Board President and thanked her for her leadership. MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Threet) 7-0, the Trustees elected Dr. Thompson as the new Board President. Dr. Thompson will preside over the SCCS Finance Authority Meeting that takes place directly after the adjournment of this Regular Meeting.

5.2 Election of Board Vice President

MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Coonerty) 7-0, the Trustees elected Board Member Vestal as the Vice President.

5.3 Approval of Board Clerk

MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Coonerty) 7-0, the Trustees elected Superintendent Munro as the Board Clerk.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

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

8. 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.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. 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 10:05 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Santa Cruz City Schools

Claudia Vestal, President
Board of Education