

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
February 10, 2016**

Convene Closed Session

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

Public Comments for Closed Session Agenda Items

Soquel High School teachers Ferejohn and Miranda advocated for unpaid leave requests for teachers. SCCCE Chief Negotiator Brown reported that bargaining unit felt their last meeting time was insufficient to study the proposal submitted by Administration and come to an agreement. The Team is hoping for a positive outcome at the meeting on February 12.

Convene Open Session

Board President Thompson called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:38 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	
Patricia Threet	Alisun Thompson	Deb Tracy-Proulx	Claudia Vestal

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

Student Representative Ella Carroll, Santa Cruz High School

Absent: Student Representative Aren Pageler, Harbor High School

Welcome and Format

Board President Thompson 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

GSCFT Representative Carlson reported that there will be an effort to renew and extend Proposition 30 for 12 years. The new measure will not be a sales tax, it will be income-based. 89% of the revenues will go to K-12

districts and 11% to Community Colleges. The GSCFT will bring a draft for a resolution of support for this measure to Board President Thompson. Santa Cruz High School Science Teacher Falls reported the department had sent a letter to the Trustees and the Superintendent regarding the dire state of science budgets at this site. New funding has been made available since the letter was written, and the teachers are grateful for the support, but wish to reiterate that one-time money is not the answer to this problem. Santa Cruz High School Program Account Specialist Brown voiced her support for increased funding for the Science Department. Community supporter Dr. Jim Logsdon distributed a flyer announcing the 2016 Cabrillo Advancement Program (CAP) Awards Ceremony on March 1, 2016. The ceremony will honor CAP alumni Monica Velasco, a former Mission Hill Middle School student. Dr. Logsdon is proud to be a supporter of CAP. Santa Cruz High School Cardinal Club President Ron Esche and parents Karen Esche and Norma Gonzalez expressed deep concerns regarding a coach at the school. Superintendent Munro reported that the district will conduct a full investigation, and, while Santa Cruz City Schools takes parent concerns very seriously, the Superintendent asked that personnel matters be brought to the district office and not to a public meeting. Joe Williams, speaking on behalf of himself and informally representing the Resource Center for Nonviolence, expressed concerns regarding military recruitments on school campuses. Mr. Williams would be pleased to present opposing views and information to students. April Burns, who counsels military personnel and their families, stated that most of the young adults she sees are completely unprepared for the reality of life in the armed forces due to the misinformation presented by recruiters. Ms. Burns asked the district to monitor the information that recruiters provide to students. Retired SCCS educator Noreen Winkler continues to work on behalf of students, and will continue to monitor the release of directory information. Barrios Unidos Counselor Irene O'Connell, who volunteers two days a week at Santa Cruz High School, introduced herself to the Trustees. Ms. O'Connell looks forward to continuing to engage with staff and be a mentor and a resource for students.

SUPERINTENDENT'S AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Facilities Master Planning Community Meetings continue this week and about 56 parents have participated in discussions. Emails have been received from folks unable to attend. The meeting originally scheduled for February 9th at Gault Elementary was rescheduled to February 16th, in order to give folks the opportunity to see El Sistema perform during the Santa Cruz Warriors Basketball game halftime on February 9. Next steps will include a parent survey to develop priorities. The Superintendent attended the annual Superintendent's Symposium in Monterey to receive legal updates, participate in workshops and share best practices in district leadership. Time with county colleagues was especially appreciated. Cabrillo College, the Mexican Consulate, The County Office of Education and Santa Cruz City Schools jointly sponsored the 6th annual Latino Role Models Conference on January 30th at the Crocker Theater on the Cabrillo campus. You will hear more on this event later in the meeting. Superintendent Munro met with the Santa Cruz/Live Oak Youth Violence Prevention Initiative Director Sarah Emmert to discuss work meetings progress. Board Member Thompson and Student Services Director Brown are work group participants and most of the recommendations are aligned directly with the work that Santa Cruz City Schools is doing to create safe, supportive, engaging schools for students. Superintendent Munro, Ms. Meeker and Ms. Brown met with Chief Vogel and other SCPD leaders and Chief Deputy District Attorney Rob Wade to discuss cyber safety issues. Feb. 11 and Feb. 17, Officer Brett Northrup will be providing cyber safety classes for parents at Santa Cruz High School and Branciforte Middle School. Last Thursday, we had an excellent Response to Intervention district wide work day with site leaders, RtI Coordinators, teacher coaches and counselors. The Superintendent participated at the COE on the Leadership Santa Cruz panel. Community leaders asked questions about Common Core, Facilities, School Safety, Local Control Accountability Plan and more. Superintendent Munro and Live Oak

Superintendent Taylor met with County Superintendent Watkins to discuss regional SELPA programs and efforts to provide the best programming while strategically allocating resources.

Student Representative's Report

Student Representative Carroll reported that everyone had survived "finals" and new classes are fun and engaging. Folks are eagerly anticipating the opening of the Spring Musical in about 1 ½ weeks. There was discussion on campus today regarding the recent security restrictions of [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com) resulting from Google's new restrictive mode and the district's content filter settings. Folks are working around the damage to the ceiling caused by recent rains. In Economics class today, there was a lively discussion about how students would enact public good on campus. There will be a Circle of Friends meeting at Santa Cruz High School on February 12 in the quad. Free Speech Fridays will resume at Santa Cruz High School on the front steps this spring.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

Board Member Tracy-Proulx is pleased to hear about the Santa Cruz Police Department Cyber Safety presentations at Santa Cruz City Schools. The Technology Task Force will meet on February 9th @ 5:30 p.m. in the Branciforte Middle School Innovation Center.

Board Member Perez-Granados attended the January 21st DELAC meeting. There were approximately 30 parents and the conversation was very engaged. Letters from those unable to attend were received as well. This is wonderful feedback from our community. Dr. Perez-Granados attended the Harbor High School Master Plan Facilities Meeting and it was great to think outside the box and think big.

Board Member Shonick reported that one of the important developments for the district is the opportunity for the Trustees to consistently hear from educators. I am pleased to welcome Gino Raugi and David Norman this evening – it is exciting for me to see teachers in the audience.

Board Member Threet attended several of the Community Master Plan Facilities Meetings and it is wonderful to imagine both the immediate and the outlying future for our students and schools. Ms. Threet thanked Principal Hernandez for the tour of Gault Elementary School yesterday – I was able to observe some special curriculum. Trustee Threet asked for details on how the supply funds approved by the Board in December were distributed to the secondary sites. Ms. Threet would also like to know the total cost of providing the augmented supply funds in order to prepare for budget development – elementary vs. secondary. When the Trustees hear the spring report on Athletics, Board Member Threet would like to hear the answer to the following question: What is the philosophy of SCCS Athletics? Ms. Threet would also like to see the Athletics Handbook that details the responsibilities of schools, coaches, parents and athletes and Coaching hiring packets and job descriptions, as well as information about the review process for these practices and policies. Ms. Threet acknowledged the Administration for helping to bring a solution to our secondary athletics budgeting challenges with Measure O.

Board Member Vestal attended the Harbor High School Master Plan Facilities Meeting. At Schools Plus we discussed future fundraising and current grant awardees included Soquel High School Science Teacher Alaimo and Gault Elementary School Teachers Lawrence and Scowcroft. Delta Charter High School has completed the short and intensive Winter Term. 60 Delta students are concurrently enrolled in Cabrillo College courses.

Board Member Coonerty attended the Master Plan Facility Meetings at both Bay View Elementary and the Small Schools campus and encourages everyone to attend. Dr. Coonerty would also like more details about the supply funds distribution approved in December, as she has had difficulty determining who at each site determined how the funds were allotted. Chris Benner from UCSC approached Dr. Coonerty with a new application developed by students to help prepare for college, including class requirements, application process and financial aid. Dr. Coonerty would like the Administration to see if we can get a presentation of this wonderful and free application for our students at Santa Cruz City Schools. Dr. Coonerty has received information on the Nurse Family Partnership Program and would like to commend Santa Cruz County for the implementation of this wonderful program. Dr. Coonerty would like the Board of Education to bring forward a resolution of support for this program at a future meeting. Dr. Coonerty would like to clarify for the public that she have not asked for the Release of Directory Information to be put on an agenda for the Santa Cruz City Schools Board of Education. There is no reason to do so. Dr. Coonerty has looked into how the “Opt-In” and “Opt-Out” programs work, including obtaining information from the ACLU and the Resource Center for Nonviolence, and believes our current practice is our obligation both legally and fiscally. Dr. Coonerty would be happy to discuss this with folks.

Board President’s Report

Board President Thompson attended the Budget Advisory Committee Meeting and the Master Plan Facilities Meeting for Gault and DeLaveaga Elementary Schools and Branciforte Middle School. It was fun to dream big and hear the different needs for different schools. Attended the DeLaveaga and Gault Elementary Parent/Teacher Meetings. Dr. Thompson was delighted to attend the El Sistema performance at Gault Elementary School and the Harbor High School Escapades Dance Troupe performance. Performing arts are alive and well in Santa Cruz City Schools. The Latino Role Model Conference was well attended, moving and inspiring – I appreciate all the agencies, groups, and people who collaborate to make this such a wonderful and incredible event. Dr. Thompson attended the second work group meeting for the Santa Cruz/Live Oak Youth Violence Prevention Task Force and it is exciting work. The plan is moving forward and will be supported and implemented across agencies to support students in our schools.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MSP (Coonerty/Vestal) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting/Governance Session on January 27, 2016, as submitted. Student Carroll abstained from making a recommendation on this matter as she was not present at this meeting.

Consent Agenda

Ms. Threet removed Item 8.1.7 Board Policy Updates for a separate discussion and vote. Ms. Vestal 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 Gifts; Item 8.1.6 Board Meeting Schedule for 2016-17; Item 8.1.8.1.1 Contract: Business Services-Colony Landscape-Harbor HS Softball Field; Item 8.1.8.1.2 Contract: Business Services-Cooperative Purchasing Contract for Copiers; Item 8.1.9 Disposition of Surplus Property; Item 8.1.10 Board Governance Handbook; Item 8.1.8.11 New Business: Resolution 24-15-16 People First Language. Dr. Coonerty seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

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

Student Carroll recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Item 8.1.7 Board Policy Updates

Ms. Threet asked for the inclusion of the words “outside the boundaries of the City of Santa Cruz” in Board Bylaw 9100 Organization, in order to provide more clarity on the membership of the Board. Ms. Threet moved approval of the Board Policy Updates for final reading, with the amendment provided to BB 9100, and Dr. Coonerty seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

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

Student Carroll 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 information on Expulsion 08-15-16 and 09-15-16 to prepare for a vote on these items later tonight in Open Session.

Public Vote on Expulsion(s)

1. MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Coonerty) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the recommendation for suspended expulsion as presented by Ms. Meeker for Student 08-15-16.
2. MSP (Vestal/Coonerty) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the recommendation for expulsion as presented by Ms. Meeker for Student 09-15-16.

ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED

8.3.1 Staff Report: Latino Role Models

Latino Role Models is an annual day-long conference featuring working professionals and academics who inspire students and parents to achieve their dreams of higher education and professional careers. Students in grades 5 through college and their parents are encouraged to attend. This program is presented by Senderos in partnership with the Mexican Consulate, Santa Cruz City Schools, the County Office of Education, and the Cabrillo College Student Senate. The sixth annual Latino Role Model conference was held on January 30, 2016 at Cabrillo College’s Crocker Theater with over 350 participants. Erandi García, Director at Univision News, served as Master of Ceremonies. Presenters included: 16-year-old Thomas Suarez, Founder and Chief Engineer of CarrotCorp, a technology company that sells mobile applications and develops 3D printing hardware; Martha Hernández, CEO of Startup Life Coach LLC; Dr. Enrico Ramírez Ruíz, UCSC Professor of Astronomy and Astrophysics; Dr. Juanita Perea, Executive Director of Oasis Charter School. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.2 Staff Report: Technology Integration

District Technology Coach Gino Raugi provided an overview of the Tech Coach Network, which consists of teacher representatives from each K-8 school and two representatives from each comprehensive high school. The group supports teachers in learning about and sharing educational technology for the benefit of their students. Branciforte Middle School Teacher David Norman shared classroom strategies for having students’ use of technology, including Google applications. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.3 Staff Report: Local Control Accountability Plan Survey Results

Ms. Meeker reported that the District develops a Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) as part of the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) to identify how we are meeting the needs of students in the **8 state priority** areas. The plan is reviewed and revised annually through engagement with stakeholder (teachers, leadership, bargaining units, parents and students). As part of the revision, these groups look at data from student outcomes and surveys. Through this engagement, recommendations are made for revision to the LCAP. The revised LCAP is presented to the board for approval in June. Information included survey distribution and response, survey design and focus, parent participation at each school, survey responses and next steps. Following Board Member comments and questions, Dr. Coonerty requested follow-up information from district staff. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.4 New Business: Transportation – Bus Fleet Purchase

Mr. Monreal reported that on 01/13/2016, SCCS Board received a presentation on our District Transportation Department. As a follow-up to the presentation, District staff recommends the purchase of two special needs buses with wheelchair lifts. This will increase the working fleet to ten buses, and two spare buses after additional repairs. MSP (Threet/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the purchase of two new small buses with wheelchair lifts for special needs transportation. Student Carroll recommended a yes vote on this matter.

8.3.5 Staff Report: Governor’s January Budget Proposal

Mr. Monreal reported that Governor Jerry Brown released his January Budget Proposal for fiscal year 2016-17 on January 7, 2016. In that proposal the Governor laid out his plans for education funding for the coming school year. District staff attended workshops facilitated by School Services of California and by Capitol Advisors to become familiar with the Governor’s budget proposals. Highlights of Mr. Montreal’s presentation included: themes for the Governor’s budget; Proposition 98 Funding; Major K-12 Proposals; One-time funding; LCFF Target funding factors; CalSTRS and CalPERS rate increases; multi-year projections. Following Board Member comments and questions, Ms. Threet made a recommendation for future budget presentations and Mr. Shonick requested follow-up information from district staff. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.6 New Business: Resolution 25-15-16 Tie Breaking Criteria for Certificated Employees

Ms. Parks reported that pursuant to Education Code Section 44955(d), the Board of Education is required to determine the District needs should it become necessary to establish the seniority of employees who first rendered paid service to the District on the same date. The criteria identified in this resolution will be used to break ties for the employees with the same first date of paid service. Mr. Shonick moved approval of the Resolution 25-15-16 Tie Breaking Criteria for Certificated Employees and Ms. Vestal seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

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

Student Carroll recommended a yes vote on this matter.

8.3.7 New Business: Resolution 26-15-16 Determination of K-12 Needs for 2016-17

Ms. Parks reported that pursuant to Education Code Section 44955(d), the Board of Education determines the District needs in order to retain services of certificated employees in the 2016-2017 school year, regardless of seniority, who possess qualifications needed for certain programs. Mr. Shonick moved approval of Resolution 26-15-16 Determination of K-12 Needs for 2016-17 and Ms. Perez-Granados seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Coonerty – Yes Perez-Granados – Yes Shonick – Yes
 Threat – Abstain Thompson – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes Vestal – Yes
Student Carroll recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Adjourn Open Session to Return to Closed Session

At the close of the business of the Open Session, Board President Thompson adjourned for a return to Closed Session to complete discussion of Items 2.3 and 2.4.

Reconvene Open Session

Board President Thompson reconvened Open Session to provide a Closed Session Actions Report at 9:32 p.m.

Closed Session Actions Report

- 2.3 The Board of Education heard an update from and provided direction to designated representative, Molly Parks, regarding negotiations with the SCCCE for 2014-15 and 2015-16.
- 2.4 The Board of Education heard information on Liability Claim #519378, Jordan Family vs. Santa Cruz City Schools, and rejected this claim.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. The Annual Board Governance Session on June 1, 2016, 5:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
9. 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.
10. 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 Thompson adjourned this Open Session of the Regular Meeting at 9:33 p.m.

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

<http://www.sccs.santacruz.k12.ca.us/about-us/board-of-education/agendas-a-minutes.html>

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Santa Cruz City Schools

Alisun Thompson, President
Board of Education