

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
February 28, 2018**

Convene Closed Session

Board President Vestal called this Closed Session Meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. in the Board Room of the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 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 County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

Attendance at Meeting

Sheila Coonerty	Deedee Perez-Granados	Cynthia Ranii	Jeremy Shonick
Patty Threet	Deb Tracy-Proulx	Claudia Vestal	

Student Representative Daniella Werlin-Martinez, Santa Cruz High School

Absent: Student Representative Genesis Smith, Harbor High School

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Patrick 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 Vestal welcomed those in attendance and explained the format used for this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

Agenda Changes

Ms. Parks pulled Item 8.3.3.2. Resolution 14-17-18 Non-Reelection of Certain Probationary Certificated Employees.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S AND STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Since the meeting on February 14, 2018, Superintendent Munro has spent time with the Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) sub-committee on retreat follow-up planning. This work will inform our District Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). The Superintendent was scheduled to attend the CISC Leadership

Conference in Monterey last week for three days; however, district matters prevented her from attending most of the conference. The conference sessions Superintendent Munro did attend were excellent, and our Educational Services/Curriculum, Intervention and Assessment team was able to attend the entire conference. The Superintendent was able to meet with a group from South San Francisco Unified on Wednesday evening and the conversation was beneficial. Ms. Munro has spent a great deal of time addressing the social emotional well-being and safety of students during the last week. An email message was sent to all district parents/guardians concerning the mass shooting in Florida and detailing counseling and services available to students/families who may experience anxiety, etc. The incident at Bay View Elementary school was quickly and safely dealt with through the efficient use of district safety protocols by staff and our excellent working relationship with local law enforcement. On the day after the Bay View incident, Superintendent Munro and Principal Garcia hosted a Parent Meeting at the campus to provide additional information and support for school families. The Superintendent thanked Trustees Coonerty, Tracy-Proulx and Vestal for their attendance at the meeting. In response to the mass shooting in Florida, students nationwide are planning a school “walk-out” on March 14. It appears likely that some secondary SCCS students will participate. The Superintendent held a phone conference with Principals to discuss district protocols and procedures if students leave classes. While the district cannot and will not advocate/support unexcused absences, staff will act to ensure students who are out of class are safe and supervised. Superintendent Munro is pleased to report that the Tentative Agreement brought forward for approval this evening and the staffing meetings and planning for the 2018-19 school year will support a professional culture of effective teaching. The Superintendent is appreciative of the collaborative relationship with the GSCFT negotiating team. On February 26, Ms. Munro had lunch with Santa Cruz Mayor Terrazas and the Mexican Consulate to discuss ways in which they could collaborate to benefit this school community. In the evening, the Superintendent hosted the 3rd Parent Leader Dinner Meeting to gather input for our District Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). Although the focus of the evening was planned for LCAP discussion, recent events prompted a conversation about keeping students safe at school as well.

Student Representative’s Reports

Santa Cruz HS Representative Werlin-Martinez reported that the Spring Prom is coming up soon and students are getting excited. The Boys Basketball Team has lots of support as they compete in the CCS tournament. Students are organizing for the March 14 student walk-out. The musical production of “Heathers” started last weekend and it was a great show attended by lots of people. Additional shows will take place March 2nd and 3rd.

BOARD MEMBERS’ REPORTS

Board Members’ Reports

Board Member Tracy-Proulx asked school administrators to have voter registration opportunities on campuses for students on March 14.

Board Member Threet has been approached by several parents to speak about the Florida shooting – folks are scared. Trustee Threet attended the Parent meeting at Bay View following last week’s incident and it was nice to see the community so well supported. At the last board meeting we spoke at length about student engagement, but we neglected to engage our student representatives in the discussion. I would like to encourage our students to contribute to our conversations at any time.

Dr. Ranii acknowledged everyone involved in the SCCS/GSCFT Agreement that is brought forward this evening. It is great to see such a collaborative group modeling exemplary behavior for the bargaining table. Thank you to Principal Garcia and Superintendent Munro for handling the incident last week at Bay View so well. It is a

big job to reach out to so many groups of people and it was obvious that the message was heartfelt. Thank you.

Dr. Coonerty thanked Superintendent Munro for the way the Bay View incident was handled. Dr. Coonerty has heard from many community members over the previous week, and, although she feels the letter the Superintendent wrote and sent to the school community was very thorough – but folks don't seem to know about available counseling services, etc. Perhaps we can update the district website with some additional information.

Board President's Report

Board President Vestal commented that she was very impressed by the way our administration handled the message to our community regarding the shooting in Florida and the incident at Bay View Elementary School.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on February 14, 2018 as submitted, including the revision from Dr. Ranii. Student Werlin-Martinez recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Consent Agenda

Board Members Shonick and Threet asked to pull Item 8.1.9.3. Garland Roofing: CMASS purchase of roofing materials for Natural Bridges campus. Board Member Threet commented on Item 8.1.6. Overnight Field Trip for Santa Cruz High School. Ms. Threet acknowledged the Santa Cruz County Office of Education for covering the cost for the Santa Cruz High School Black Student Union members and chaperones to attend the Black Student Unions of California convention in Sacramento from March 16-March 18, 2018. Dr. Ranii moved approval of the remaining items on 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. Overnight Field Trip: Santa Cruz High School; Item 8.1.7. Disposition of Surplus Property; Item 8.1.8.1. Agreement for Professional Services – Sunbelt Staffing for Occupational Therapy; Item 8.1.8.2. Master Contract Revision for Non-Public School: Bay School; Item 8.1.9.1. Contract: Balance Hydrologic-Harbor HS; Item 8.1.9.2. Contract: Natural Bridges Civil Engineering Survey. Ms. Tracy-Proulx seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

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

Student Werlin-Martinez recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Closed Session Items

8.2.1. Report of Closed Session Actions

1. The Board of Education took action on Certificated/Classified/Management Leaves, Retirements, Resignations & Appointments.
2. There was no update regarding Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint (Govt. Code Section 54957).
3. The Board of Education heard an update from and provided direction to Ms. Parks regarding negotiations with the GSCFT for 2017-18.
4. The Board of Education heard an update from and provided direction to Ms. Parks regarding the Meet and Confer Agreement with the SCCS Association of Managers and Administrators (AMA) for 2017-18.

5. The Board of Education heard an update from and provided direction to Ms. Parks regarding the Meet and Confer Agreement with the SCCS Confidential Unit for 2018-18.
6. The Board of Education heard information about and took action on Liability Claim #551020, claimed against SCCS.

ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED

8.3.1.1.

Staff Report: Local Control Accountability Program Update: Instructional Coaching-CIA

Elementary Director of Curriculum, Intervention & Assessment Mary Anne Robb and the entire team of district instructional coaches reported to the Board of Education. Information included: the district coaching vision; the district visible learning goals; the percentage of rate of transfer into classroom practice following peer coaching; coaching roles; coaching impact data at school sites; coaching survey results; coaching impact data disaggregated by employee role. The report concluded with coaching survey feedback that 89.9% of district employees who have worked with an instructional coach would recommend it to a colleague. Following Trustee comments, questions and discussion, the team was thanked for this very informative report. This item was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.2.1.

Staff Report: DCG Housing Feasibility Report

Mr. Gaffney introduced Leah Denman from DCG Strategies to present to the Trustees. Ms. Denman reported that three sites were initially considered for workforce housing. Two of the sites were not recommended for further investigation. The available district owned lot on La Fonda Avenue in Santa Cruz was not recommended because it is too small and constrained by existing slope/homes/trees/school. The area behind Soquel High School is not recommended as the area is owned by the County of Santa Cruz, is currently designated as open space and there is a lack of existing access/utilities (i.e. too many development unknowns). The third location – 2.5 acres on Swift Street behind the Natural Bridges campus is recommended for further review and investigation. Some of the benefits of this site include: flat area with minimal trees/topography issues; lacks permanent structures so existing uses could be moved closer to the street; existing driveway for access; approved residential development in the area. The Trustees made comments, asked questions and had discussion regarding this matter. Although Mr. Gaffney did not ask for a formal vote, he did ask if the board would provide a general consensus direction for staff to have DCG investigate the property on Swift Street more thoroughly. The Board of Education provided this direction, and also direction to form a neighborhood advisory committee.

8.3.2.2.

Staff Report: Bond Measure A Projects Update

Mr. Gaffney introduced Mr. David Peartree from the Belli Architectural Group to report to the Trustees regarding this matter. The Board previously approved agreement amendments with Belli Architects under review. The Branciforte Middle School and Soquel High School projects are in the process of being designed, and cost estimates will be available at a later date. The Harbor High School pool project and track and field improvements have been affected by the discovery of soil issues at this site. In order to receive DSA approval for improvements, designs may need to be altered so that expenditures can be contained. The Board will be updated with revised information as soon as possible. Following the presentation, Board Members asked questions, made comments and had discussion. This report was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.4.2. New Business: Resolution 13-17-18 Calling for Full & Fair Funding for CA Schools

Superintendent Munro reported that this resolution had come to the Board of Education through the Resolution Committee process. Despite California’s leadership in the global economy, the state falls in the nation’s bottom quintile on nearly every measure of public K-12 school funding and school staffing. K-12 school funding has not substantially increased, on an inflation-adjusted basis, for more than a decade. Under the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), state funding for K-12 schools has only this year recently returned to levels predating the Great Recession of 2007. In order to prepare our students for participation in an increasingly competitive, technology-driven global economy, California must fund schools at a level sufficient to support student success; and, if California is to close opportunity and achievement gaps and create a public school system that offers consistently high levels of education, the State must provide schools with the resources to meet the needs of their specific populations. Dr. Ranii moved approval of the resolution and Dr. Perez-Granados seconded the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

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

Student Werlin-Martinez recommended a yes vote on this matter.

8.3.4.3. New Business: Board Policies – revisions from HR re: District Records & Personnel Files

Superintendent Munro recommended approval of one new and one revised policy to bring our district board policies into alignment with the electronic records storage practices approved on February 14, 2018. MSP (Perez-Granados/Threet) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the board policies as submitted. Student Werlin-Martinez recommended a yes vote on this matter.

8.3.4.4. New Business: CSBA Delegate Assembly Member Vote

The board, as a whole, may vote for up to two candidates to represent Region/Subregion 9A for the California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly. MSP (Perez-Granados/Coonerty) 7-0, the Board of Education voted for Deborah Tracy-Proulx (Santa Cruz City Schools) to represent Region/Subregion 9A from April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2020 in the CSBA Delegate Assembly. MSP (Threet/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education voted for Donna Jones Odryna (Mountain Elementary School District) to represent Region/Subregion 9A from April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2020 in the CSBA Delegate Assembly. Student Werlin-Martinez abstained from a recommendation regarding these matters.

9. Adjournment of Meeting

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Vestal adjourned this Regular Meeting at 9:52 p.m.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

1. The Regular Meeting on March 7, 2018, 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 28, 2018, 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 18, 2018, 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 on April 25, 2018, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

5. The Regular Meeting on May 9, 2018, 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/Board Self-Evaluation/Study Session for the Budget: May Revise on May 23, 2018, 6:00 p.m., will be held in the Harbor High School Library, 300 La Fonda Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA.
7. The Regular Meeting on June 13, 2018, 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 20, 2018, 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:***

<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

Claudia Vestal, President
Board of Education