MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
May 24, 2017

Convene Closed Session
Board President Tracy-Proulx called this Regular Meeting Closed Session to order at 5:35 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 6:34 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 Steve Munoz: Soquel 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 Tracy-Proulx welcomed those in attendance and explained the format used for this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

Agenda Changes
Board Recording Secretary Lentz asked to pull Item 7.1. Minutes of the Meeting on May 10, 2017 from the agenda. The minutes were not included in the published board book and cannot be voted on this evening. These minutes will come back to the Board on May 31st for approval. Board Recording Secretary Lentz asked to pull Item 8.2.2.4. Expulsion 26-16-17 from the agenda, as the item is not moving forward at this time and cannot be voted on this evening.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Drew Glover, Executive Director of Project Pollinate in Santa Cruz County, read a letter on behalf of the organization urging the Board of Education to use less chemicals on school grounds to manage rodents and insects. Alternative Family Education students Max Freedman and Jackson Damhorst reported on their experiences with their science project, Effects of Varroa Mite Treatments on Bee Memory. This student project won overall Best Overall Project at the Santa Cruz County Science Fair, 1st place at the California State Science Fair and 4th place in animal sciences at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair in Los
Angeles on May 19. The students encouraged the Trustees and District Administrators to include more project based learning in the curriculum.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent’s Report
Superintendent Munro welcomed and introduced the new Santa Cruz City Schools Finance Director Greg Torr. The Superintendent extended her gratitude to everyone who worked to make the Guelaguetza on May 21 possible; especially Fe Silva, Nereida Robles, Curt Coleman, Carolyn Coleman and the Senderos Board, and the more than 100 volunteers from SCCS – teachers, classified staff members and administrators and UCSC students. Superintendent Munro thanked local elected and non-profit leaders who attended and supported the event – Supervisors Coonerty and Leopold, Mayor Cynthia Chase, City Manager Martin Bernal and Community Foundation Program Director Christina Cuevas. It was an incredible day celebrating our students and families and their rich indigenous cultures. On May 19, Finance Director Greg Torr, SCCCE President Robert Chacanaca and GSCFT Bargaining Team Member Mark McConnell attended the May Revise Workshop hosted by School Services of California. We appreciate the on-going collaboration with the bargaining units and more information on the revise will be provided later in the meeting tonight. On May 22, Superintendent Munro participated in panel interviews for the new Police Chief for the City of Santa Cruz and appreciated being included on the community panel. The process was thorough and thoughtful. The Superintendent invited all Trustees to attend the Retirement Celebration on May 25 at 5:00 p.m. at the Food Lounge in Santa Cruz. The Superintendent thanked the Human Resources team for their work to prepare for this important event.

BOARD MEMBERS’ REPORTS

Board Members’ Reports
Board Member Thompson had the opportunity to attend one of the Monarch Elementary Exit Presentation, as well as attend the Harbor High School Regional Occupational Program Portfolio Fair. Dr. Thompson attended the Santa Cruz High School production of Gentleman Q and enjoyed it thoroughly. Dr. Thompson also enjoyed supporting the rich, cultural traditions of our community members at the Guelaguetza on May 21. Dr. Thompson attended the 20th Annual Queer Youth Leadership Awards Dinner in Watsonville on May 13, and recognized both SCCS Student Services Director Brown and the excellent article in the Santa Cruz Sentinel about the progress of our local school districts in supporting this student population.

Board Member Perez-Granados attended the Guelaguetza and is grateful for an event that is focused on sharing the rich cultures in our Santa Cruz City Schools. Dr. Perez-Granados attended the Budget Advisory Committee meeting yesterday.

Board Member Threet continues to meet with community members who have ideas on how to proceed with bond projects, and Ms. Threet appreciates district administrators for their excellence at both running the district and also finding the time to reach out to the community. Board Member Threet attended the County Office of Education May Revise information meeting. Trustee Threet appreciates the inclusion of an upcoming agenda item regarding the use of pesticides and herbicides at Santa Cruz City Schools campuses. The Soquel community will be dedicating the sports fields to JR Blinkenberg on Saturday, June 24. Trustee Threet attended the Santa Cruz Rotary luncheon honoring student scholarship recipients and it was a wonderful event. The “Service above Self” motto is evident at their meetings. Ms. Threet acknowledged the work of Eileen Brown to help students in the Soquel community as they cope with the loss of one of their students and begin a healing process.
Board Member Vestal attended the North County Regional Occupation Program Showcase. Students from a wide variety of fields present their portfolios and acknowledge their learning and awards. The Delta Charter High School fundraiser was a very successful event, and Trustee Vestal particularly enjoyed the personal stories of the students. Ms. Vestal looks forward to the Delta High School graduation on June 1. The Guelaguetza is a wonderful gift to our community – food, fun and music for everyone – Board Member Vestal is so glad that Santa Cruz City Schools is a part of this great celebration. Trustee Vestal attended the County Office of Education May Revise information meeting.

Board Member Coonerty attended the Guelaguetza and each year it seems to grow in both size and beauty. Dr. Coonerty attended the Parcel Tax Oversight Committee meeting on Monday, May 22. Committee members are working hard to serve the community. Dr. Coonerty attended the Budget Advisory Committee meeting on May 23, and is finally becoming accustomed to the mixed messages from the Governor’s offices. The good news is that Santa Cruz City Schools will find a way to serve our community with whatever funds are received. Dr. Coonerty will attend the Retirement Celebration tomorrow.

**Board President’s Report**
Board President Tracy-Proulx spent last weekend in Sacramento at the California School Boards Delegate Assembly meeting. The Board President brought back information for interested Trustees. The impact of increased employer contributions for STRS and PERS was a thoughtful discussion.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
1. The Minutes for May 10, 2017 were pulled from the agenda at the beginning of the meeting.

**Consent Agenda**
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, Quotes and Bids; Item 8.1.4. Warrant Register; Item 8.1.5. Budget Transfers; Item 8.1.6. Disposition of Surplus Property; Item 8.1.7.1. Agreement: Business Services-Schoolworks, Inc. 2017-18-State Funding and Eligibility; Item 8.1.7.2.1. Agreement: Educational Services/Curriculum, Intervention & Assessment: CSA-Joe Trautwein-Federal Program Monitoring Audit; Item 8.1.7.3.1. Agreement: Educational Services/Student Services: Memorandum of Understanding-SCCS/Foster Grandparents Organization; Item 8.1.7.3.2. Agreement: Educational Services/Student Services: CSA R. Marshall Burgamy-Grant Writing Project for Mission Hill MS; Item 8.1.7.3.3. Agreement: Educational Services/Student Services-CSA Julius Mills-Denti-4th and 5th grade services; Item 8.1.7.3.4. Agreement: Educational Services/Student Services: CSA Silvia Austerlic-services for immigrant students; Item 8.1.7.3.5. Agreement: Educational Services/Student Services-CSA Lorena Parada-Ampudia-services for immigrant students; Item 8.1.7.4.1. Agreement: Educational Services/Special Education-Rachel Haven, Independent Education Evaluation; Item 8.1.7.4.2. Agreement: Educational Services/Special Education-Non-Public Agency COFY for Independent Education Evaluation; Item 8.1.7.4.3. Revised Agreement: Educational Services/Special Education-Non-Public School Out-of-State Residential Treatment Services. Ms. Vestal 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

**Closed Session Actions**
1. The Board of Education conferred regarding the properties at 255 Swift Street and 133 Mission Street in Santa Cruz, CA.
2. The Board of Trustees heard an update regarding Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint.
3. The Board of Trustees heard information on Expulsion 23-16-17, 24-16-17, 25-16-17 and 27-16-17 to prepare for a vote on these matters later this evening in Open Session.
4. The Board of Trustees took action on Certificated, Classified, and Management leaves, retirements, resignations, and appointments.

**Vote on Expulsions**
1. MSP (Coonerty/Thompson) 6-0-1, the Board of Education approved Expulsion 23-16-17 as submitted. Dr. Perez-Granados abstained from the vote.
2. MSP (Coonerty/Thompson) 6-0-1, the Board of Education approved Expulsion 24-16-17 as submitted. Dr. Perez-Granados abstained from the vote.
3. MSP (Coonerty/Thompson) 7-0, the Board of Education approved Expulsion 25-16-17 as submitted.
4. Expulsion 26-16-17 was removed from the agenda for a vote at the beginning of the meeting.
5. MSP (Coonerty/Thompson) 7-0, the Board of Education approved Expulsion 27-16-17 as submitted.

**ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED**

8.3.1. **New Business: Bond Update-Amendment: Soquel High School Pool Design**
Mr. Gaffney reported to the Board of Education. While the district had originally recommended a 35 meter pool, following the community meetings last week, Mr. Gaffney shared that the Soquel community desires a 40 meter pool. This morning, Mr. Gaffney had a conversation with Mr. Isaac, a consultant who has worked with districts in 26 states on pool project designs. Mr. Isaac will assess both needs and opportunities for the district in a short amount of time and provide information from a neutral third party to inform a final decision on the size of the pool. As a result of utilizing these services, the amendment tonight lacks the specific dimensions of the Soquel High School Pool project. After receiving a final recommendation from Mr. Isaac, this item will return on June 28 with pool dimensions included. Board comments and questions followed Mr. Gaffney’s report. Board President Tracy-Proulx also thanked Mr. Miller for his time and interest in this matter.

**Public Comments:**
Soquel High School head Swim Coach Winter thanked the Trustees and the District Administrators for the extra time to assess this project. The path proposed by Mr. Gaffney seems beneficial to everyone, and Coach Winter encouraged the use of the pool design consultant. A second speaker thanked the Trustees and District Administrators for taking the opportunity to connect with the community regarding this matter.

MSP (Threet/Coonerty) 7-0, the Board of Education approved Amendment #3 for the Soquel High School Pool Project.

*Note: Mr. Gaffney left the meeting at 7:45 p.m.*

8.3.2. **Staff Report: Response to Intervention (RtI) Social Emotional**
Mr. Wells introduced Student Service Director Brown to report to the Board of Education. Ms. Brown reported that the coordination of student services for Foster youth, homeless students, and other students creates a supportive atmosphere in which students feel safe, important, known and valued. If
school climate is improved for all, students will attend school and have fewer behavior concerns. If intensive supports are provided to students in need, they will attend school and will be ready to learn. Other topics included: Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) funded programs and positions; Primary Intervention Program (PIP); Social Work services and data collection; Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS); Tiered Fidelity Inventory (TFI) - a reliable and efficient measure of the extent to which school employees are applying the core features of school-wide positive behavior interventions and supports; discipline data from this school year; areas for improvement. Board comments and questions followed the report. This report was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.3. **Staff Report: May Revise**
Superintendent Munro welcomed Finance Director Torr to report to the Board of Education. Mr. Torr reported to the Board of Education regarding this matter. Information included: how the Governor is preparing for slower economic growth; changes in personal income, sales and corporation tax revenue in the coming year; the January Budget vs. the May Revision; 2017-18 Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) target funding factors; one-time discretionary funds; school facility program: grant agreement and project audit; available unrestricted revenue. Board comments and questions followed the report.

*Public Comment:* GSCFT President Kirschen requested that the new budget information be presented in a similar format as the previous budget information for comparison purposes.

This report was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

8.3.4. **New Business: Declaration of Need Certificated 2017-18**
Ms. Parks reported that beginning July 1, 1994, any public school district wishing to employ individuals on emergency permits or limited assignment permits must file a Declaration of Need with the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC) on an annual basis. This Declaration allows for credentialing flexibility for both elementary and secondary schools. The estimated numbers needed listed here are not necessarily a determinant of current need but an educated guess to cover all areas of potential need. Ms. Parks recommended approval of both the elementary and secondary Declaration of Need Certificated 2017-18. MSP (Thompson/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the elementary and the secondary Declaration of Need Certificated 2017-18.

9. **Adjournment of Meeting**
As there was no further business for the Open Session Meeting, Board President Tracy-Proulx adjourned this meeting at 9:06 p.m.

**Board Meeting Schedule Information**
1. The Regular Meeting/Governance Session on May 31, 2017, 6:00 p.m., will be held in the Harbor High School Library, 300 La Fonda Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA.
2. 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.
3. 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:

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

Deb Tracy-Proulx, President
Board of Education