

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS  
March 4, 2020**

**Convene Closed Session**

Board President Ranii called this Closed Session Meeting to order at 5:30 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**

CTE Bike Tech Teacher Steve Hess spoke on behalf of his proposed dismissal from the school district as a probationary teacher. In support of Mr. Hess, Juliana Perry and David Gill gave personal and professional recommendations.

**Convene Open Session**

Board President Ranii called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:37 p.m. in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

**Attendance at Meeting**

Sheila Coonerty	John Owen	Jeremy Shonick
Patricia Threet	Deb Tracy-Proulx	Cindy Ranii

Absent: Claudia Vestal, Board Member

Violet Edwards, Student Board Representative, Santa Cruz High School

Jasmyn Lopez, Student Board Representative, Harbor High School

Kris Munro, Superintendent

Dorothy Coito, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

Molly Parks, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

Jim Monreal, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Members of the Audience

**Welcome and Format**

Board President Ranii welcomed those in attendance and explained the format used for this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Santa Cruz High parent Tom Crahen spoke in support of the District's CTE program, and asked to be involved in the CTE Committee. Director of Secondary Curriculum Hodges will speak with Mr. Crahen about his experience and ideas.

**Agenda Changes, Additions, or Deletions**

1. Superintendent Munro reported the change to Item 8.1.9. Board Meeting Schedule 2020-2021: Date for November 14, 2020 was changed to Wednesday November 11, 2020.
2. Assistant Superintendent Parks reported the removal of item 8.5.3.4. New Business: Resolution 23-19-20: Non-Re-election of Probationary Certificated Employees from the agenda.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

### **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Munro began her report by thanking various contributors for efforts made to support the success of the District's parcel tax measures. She expressed gratitude to the community for continued support of students and programs, and for securing future resources indefinitely. The Superintendent shared about a meeting with Project Bike Trip for internship opportunities, attending the Rotary Speech Contest where three of our students won 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place, and the work of History Social Science Leads to create framework for secondary social science instruction. Superintendent Munro joined Gault 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders for a Peaceful Warrior Assembly with the Santa Cruz Warriors. She also attended the annual CISC Conference, which afforded networking opportunities with other districts, and learning on impacting student outcomes and improving excellence. Educational Services continued personalized MTSS site retreats, and Human Resources held multiple Excel trainings for classified staff. The Superintendent attended the BaySci County Science Initiative meeting to continue collaboration on NGSS across the county. Sites welcomed families to open houses, 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent nights, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade visits to high schools. Superintendent Munro has been working closely with county and district staff regarding COVID-19 to provide up to date communication to families and staff. The Superintendent meets annually with feeder school districts, and connected with the Superintendent of Happy Valley last week. Finally, the Superintendent thanked Ronen Habib of EQ Schools for joining her for Superintendent shadowing.

### **Student's Report**

Student Representative Lopez reported that Shoreline Middle School visited the Harbor High campus. The Shoreline students toured the school and watched performances by Escapade Dance Company and the Harbor Jazz Band.

## **BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

### **Board Members' Reports**

Trustee Owen shared about the Santa Cruz High Band fundraiser and expressed gratitude to the community for student support.

Trustee Threet thanked the community for continued support of the District through tax dollars, and acknowledged that CTE programs now have resources and opportunities to build student and community driven programs.

Trustee Tracy-Proulx expressed gratitude to the community and voters for support of the District's parcel tax measures.

Vice President Coonerty expressed appreciation for the community's consistent support in giving parcel taxes to the District. She suggested a press release be written for the *Sentinel* to thank the community. Dr. Coonerty also shared about the student-driven program One Dollar for Life, which received a donation from Santa Cruz Rotary to build a school in Nicaragua, and thanked Superintendent Munro for her support and involvement.

### **Board President's Report**

Board President Ranii gave credit to teaching, classified, and administrative staff that voters chose to approve parcel taxes for our district. Dr. Ranii expressed gratitude and thanked Superintendent Munro for her efforts with a bouquet of flowers.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. MSP (Owen/Coonerty) 6-0, the Board of Education approved the February 19, 2020 Meeting Minutes.

## GENERAL PUBLIC BUSINESS

### Consent Agenda

8.1.1. Personnel Actions – Certificated, 8.1.2. Personnel Actions – Classified, 8.1.3. Purchase Orders, Bids, & Quotes, 8.1.4. Warrant Register, 8.1.5. Disposition of Surplus Property, 8.1.6. Physical Education Waiver, 8.1.7. Out of State Conference Request, 8.1.8. Overnight Field Trip Request, 8.1.9. Board Meeting Schedule 2020-2021, 8.2.1.1 Educational Services/Student Services: Memorandum of Agreement: Santa Cruz County Health Services Agency, 8.2.2.1. Business Services/Information Technology: Proposal: Network and Internet Services Agreement with County Office of Education, 8.2.2.2. Business Services: Resolution 24-19-20: Appoint Representative to Department of General Services Office of Public School Construction, 8.2.4.1. Superintendent: Consultant Services Agreement: Dream Catch Consultants, 8.3.1 Bartos Architecture: Amendment Agreement: Gault Elementary School 19/20 FY Estimate New Classroom Building, 8.3.2. Bartos Architecture: Amendment Agreement: Westlake Elementary School 19/20 FY Estimate New Classroom Building, 8.3.3. CRW Industries Inc.: Proposal: Branciforte Small Schools Kitchen, 8.3.4. Development Group Inc: Change Order 1: Harbor High School Data Installation, 8.3.5. Development Group Inc: Change Order 1: Mission Hill Middle School Data Installation, 8.3.6. Enviroplex: Change Order 1: Branciforte Middle School Music Room, 8.3.7. Kier & Wright: Proposal: Westlake Elementary School Boundary Survey for Fencing, 8.3.8. Kleinfelder: Change Order 2: New Classroom Building Branciforte Small Schools, 8.3.9. Locatelli Moving & Storage Inc: Contract: DeLaveaga Elementary School Storage Containers, 8.3.10. Locatelli Moving & Storage Inc: Contract: Soquel High School Library Moves, 8.3.11. Locatelli Moving & Storage Inc.: Contract: Soquel High School Textbook Moves, 8.3.12. Locatelli Moving & Storage Inc.: Contract: Soquel High School Classroom Moves, 8.3.13. O. C. McDonald Company, Inc.: Contract: Mission Hill Middle School Bottle Filler Installation, 8.3.14. O. C. McDonald Company, Inc.: Contract: Westlake Elementary School Bottle Filler Installation, 8.3.15. PSR Electric: Quote: Gault Elementary School Electrical, 8.3.16. Schreder & Brandt: Change Order 8: Bay View Elementary DROPS, 8.3.17. Schreder & Brandt: Change Order 9: Bay View Elementary School Site Work, 8.3.18. Swinerton Builders: Change Order #5: Soquel High School Site Infrastructure and Concession, 8.3.19. Waterproofing Associates: Quote: Natural Bridges Elementary School Leak Investigation and Repairs. Trustee Shonick did not approve of item 8.1.5. Disposition of Surplus Property, which was purging old textbooks from Santa Cruz High School. Trustee Threet found an error within the dates of item 8.1.9. Board Meeting Schedule 2020-2021, and asked to have a revised schedule brought back to the next meeting for consent.

Dr. Coonerty motioned to approve the consent agenda, with removal of item 8.1.9. Board Meeting Schedule 2020-2021, and Trustee Tracy-Proulx seconded the motion. The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

Coonerty – Yes	Owen – Yes	Shonick – No
Threet – Yes	Tracy-Proulx – Yes	Ranii – Yes

### Closed Session Items

#### **8.4.1. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session**

Vice President Coonerty reported the following actions during closed session:

1. The Board of Education took action on Certificated/Classified/Management Leaves, Retirements, Resignations and Appointments.
2. Ms. Parks shared information with Trustees regarding Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint.
3. The Board heard an update from and provided direction to Ms. Parks regarding negotiations with both the SCCCE and GSCFT for 2019-20.

4. Ms. Parks provided an update to and received direction from the Board regarding the Meet and Confer Agreements for both SCCS Association of Managers and Administrators and the SCCS Confidential Unit for 2019-20.

### **ITEMS TO BE TRANSACTED AND/OR DISCUSSED**

#### **8.5.1.1. Staff Report: International Baccalaureate Update**

Assistant Superintendent Coito introduced Harbor High School Principal Runeare and IB Coordinator Katrina Wedding to present an update on curriculum implementation for the International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme. Ms. Runeare shared the timeline and steps of becoming an International Baccalaureate school, details about the program, and planned course offerings at Harbor for 2020-21. By 2021-2022, Principal Runeare expects that Harbor will achieve full implementation of the program.

#### **8.5.1.2. Staff Report: Local Control Accountability Plan: Multi-Tiered Systems of Support School Climate and Culture**

Assistant Superintendent Coito, Soquel High Principal O'Meara, Harbor High Principal Runeare, and Branciforte Small Schools Principal McKinney presented on Multi-Tiered Systems of Support for school climate and culture. The District is working to implement programs that support positive school climate, including the Second Step Curriculum, Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports, and Restorative Justice practices. Each Principal shared about their participation in Restorative Justice training, and implementation of restorative practices at their sites to support attendance, school connectedness, student social emotional health, and reduce suspensions.

#### **8.5.1.3. Staff Report: Career Technical Education Update**

Secondary Director of Curriculum Hodges provided an update on Career Technical Education programs within the high school District. Ms. Hodges gave details on Career Technical Education staff, courses, and pathways. The goal of the program is to provide high school students of all ages with the academic and technical skills, knowledge, and training necessary to succeed in future careers and to become lifelong learners. The District has received a number of Career Technical Education related grants, which has provided extra funding and resources towards the program. The District will use the College Career Readiness Indicator on the California Dashboard to monitor the number of students completing Career Technical Education pathways, along with other student and local labor market data to inform on the offered Career Technical Education pathways.

Public Comment: Santa Cruz High parent Tom Crahen spoke in support of the District's CTE program, and asked to be involved in the CTE Committee. Director of Secondary Curriculum Hodges will follow up with Mr. Crahen.

#### **8.5.2.1. Staff Report: Bond Budget Update**

Mark Bartos of Bartos Architecture provided an update on the bond program budgets and expenditures by site. Information included funds available to site, allocation based on latest cost estimates and prioritized projects by site teams, expenditures to date for a given project from November 2016 through December 2019 and percent expended by site per total site resource. Board members asked questions and provided feedback and comments. This item was informational in nature and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

**8.5.3.1. New Business: Resolution 20-19-20: Determination of K12 District Needs**

Assistant Superintendent Parks brought forward Resolution 20-19-20 which determines District needs to retain services of certificated employees in the 2019-2020 school year, regardless of seniority, who possess qualifications needed for certain programs. Ms. Parks recommended approval of Resolution 20-19-20 Determination of K12 District Needs.

MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Coonerty) 6-0, the Board of Education approved the Resolution 20-19-20 Determination of K12 District Needs.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:**

Coonerty – Yes	Owen – Yes	Shonick – Yes
Threet – Yes	Tracy-Proulx – Yes	Ranii – Yes

**8.5.3.2. New Business: Resolution 21-19-20: Tie Breaker Criteria**

Assistant Superintendent Parks brought forward Resolution 21-19-20 for Tie Breaker Criteria that determines District needs if it becomes 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. Ms. Parks recommended approval of the Resolution 21-19-20 Tie Breaker Criteria.

MSP (Coonerty/Owen) 6-0, the Board of Education approved the Resolution 21-19-20 Tie Breaker Criteria.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:**

Coonerty – Yes	Owen – Yes	Shonick – Yes
Threet – Yes	Tracy-Proulx – Yes	Ranii – Yes

**8.5.3.3. New Business: Resolution 22-19-20: Reduction in Particular Kinds of Service**

Assistant Superintendent Parks brought forth Resolution 22-19-20 to reduce or discontinue K-12 particular kinds of service for the 2020-2021 school year.

Ms. Parks recommended approval of the Resolution 22-19-20 for Reduction of Particular Kinds of Service.

Public Comment: GSCFT Casey Carlson commented that the Federation continues to work with Ms. Parks on probationary teacher reductions, and hopes these reductions will be mitigated after the deadline on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Owen) 6-0, the Board of Education approved the Resolution 22-19-20 for Reduction of Particular Kinds of Service.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:**

Coonerty – Yes	Owen – Yes	Shonick – Yes
Threet – Yes	Tracy-Proulx – Yes	Ranii – Yes

**8.5.3.4. New Business: Resolution 23-19-20: Non-Re-election of Probationary Certificated Employees**  
Removed from agenda per Assistant Superintendent Parks.

**8.5.4.1. New Business: Contract for Legal Services in Connection with JUUL and Electronic Cigarettes Litigation**

Superintendent Munro brought forth a contract with legal team Panish, Shea & Boyle, and Baron & Budd, to provide legal services in connection with any and all aspects of pursuing claims for damages associated with JUUL and Electronic Cigarette litigation. Superintendent Munro recommends approval of the contract for legal services.

MSP(Tracy-Proulx/Owen) 6-0, the Board of Education approved the contract for legal services in connection with JUUL and electronic cigarettes litigation.

**8.5.4.2. Discussion: Possible Items for Future Meeting Agendas**

Trustee Shonick requested a review of Career Technical Education Curriculum during a Curriculum Study Session.

**9. Adjournment of Meeting**

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Ranii adjourned this Regular Meeting 8:45 p.m.

#### **Board Meeting Schedule Information**

1. The Regular Meeting on March 18, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
2. The Governance Retreat on March 22, 2019, 9:00 a.m., will be held at the District Office, Room 5, 133 Mission Street Suite 100, Santa Cruz, CA.
3. The Regular Meeting on April 15, 2020, 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/Study Session on April 29, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the Harbor High School Library, 300 La Fonda Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA.
5. The Regular Meeting on May 6, 2020, 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/Study Session on May 20, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the Harbor High School Library, 300 La Fonda Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA.
7. The Regular Meeting on June 10, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA. **Meeting Date Change Noted Here.**
8. The Regular Meeting on June 17, 2020, 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

Cynthia Ranii, President  
Board of Education