MINUTES OF THE GOVERNANCE SESSION OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS April 24, 2019

Convene Closed Session

President Tracy-Proulx called this Closed Session Meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. in the History/Quiet Room of the Harbor High School Library, 300 La Fonda Avenue, 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 6:12 p.m. in the Harbor High School Library, 300 La Fonda Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA.

Attendance at Meeting

Deb Tracy-Proulx Sheila Coonerty Cindy Ranii
Deedee Perez-Granados Patty Threet Claudia Vestal

Absent: Board Member Jeremy Shonick

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Patrick Gaffney, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Dorothy Coito, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Molly Parks, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Carolyn Post, Board Coach
Members of the Audience

Welcome and Format

Board President Tracy-Proulx welcomed those in attendance and explained the format used for this Governance Session of the Board of Education.

Agenda Changes

1. Consent agenda item 5.1.1. Educational Services/Costanoa High: Overnight Field Trip was removed from the agenda due to last minute date changes to original request.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

GENERAL PUBLIC BUSINESS

Consent Agenda

There were no items on the consent agenda.

Closed Session Items

6.1. Report of Closed Session Actions

The Board of Education received information and discussed potential litigation: Number of Cases:
 1: Case: California Voting Rights Act-Trustee Area Elections.

ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED

7.1 **Board Governance**

Annual Board Self-Evaluation

Board Coach Carolyn Post presented the results of the Annual Board Self-Evaluation. The Trustees discussed their responses and the overall results of the evaluation.

Governance Protocols

The Trustees discussed Governance protocols and meeting pace and flow. Consent items on the agenda that call for additional discussion or questions will be pulled from "Consent" and moved to "Items to Be Transacted or Discussed", and remaining consent items will be voted for as usual. Board community meetings should be topical or as needed for the best chance of community feedback. PAC/DELAC Board community meetings will continue annually, as parents and members appreciate and are honored to provide their input on English learner progress in the district. The Board discussed strategies to help remind one another when members stray from agreed upon norms and protocols.

2019-20 Governance Calendar

Superintendent Munro presented the Governance Calendar for 2019-20 and discussed items that have been added per previous Board Member request, as well as ideas for upcoming study sessions.

Review of Long Term Enrollment Projections

Director of Student Services O'Meara provided an update on enrollment and Interdistrict transfers. Mr. O'Meara reported on a newly instated process for Interdistrict transfers, including parent exit interviews and gathering information to better understand why families are choosing to leave the district. The district has also been practicing acceptance of all incoming 6th grade Interdistrict transfers, and Interdistrict transfers up to our capacity of students who have attended our elementary schools but moved during the school year. Assistant Superintendent Gaffney presented enrollment trends from Decision Insite, and goals to sustain and increase enrollment. He reported that Cabinet's goals are to address declining enrollment, with attention to long-term retention, providing the best information to inform the Board, student recruitment, and marketing schools. Superintendent Munro provided a proposal to address declining enrollment that would begin the 2021-22 school year. She asked for direction from the Board to relocate Monarch Elementary to the Gault Elementary campus. This would preserve and protect our learning communities and keep our schools open. Trustees participated by asking questions and having discussion, and gave direction to the Superintendent to move forward with this plan.

Discussion on High School Facilities

Superintendent Munro led a discussion on parity among our comprehensive high school facilities. She outlined the fact that Soquel High is the only comprehensive high school without a theater. She reported that there was simply not enough bond money to address the need for a Soquel High performing arts facility. The Superintendent proposed reallocation of Redevelopment Agency dollars to create a task force or committee that would be responsible for fundraising the difference in the cost of a theatre. Trustees participated by asking questions and having discussion, and gave a positive consensus to move forward with this plan.

8. Adjournment of Meeting

As there was no further business for the Trustees, Board President Tracy-Proulx adjourned this Regular Meeting at 8:58 p.m.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

- 1. The Governance Meeting on April 24, 2019, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the Harbor High School Library, 300 La Fonda Ave. Santa Cruz, CA.
- 2. The Regular Meeting on May 15, 2019, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 3. The Study Session on May 29, 2019, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the Harbor High School Library, 300 La Fonda Ave. Santa Cruz, CA.
- 4. The Regular Meeting on June 12, 2019, 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 June 19, 2019, 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 Deborah Tracy-Proulx, President Board of Education