# MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS JULY 22, 2020

# **Convene Closed Session**

Board President Ranii called this Closed Session Meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

## **Public Comments for Closed Session Agenda Items**

None

#### **Convene Open Session**

Board President Ranii called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

# **Attendance at Meeting**

Sheila Coonerty John Owen Cindy Ranii

Jeremy Shonick Patricia Threet Deb Tracy-Proulx Claudia Vestal

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.

## 3.2. Agenda Changes, Additions, or Deletions

Superintendent Munro reported the following agenda changes:

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Parent Sabina Holber encouraged the removal of police from schools. She also expressed concern about the safety of reopening of schools.

#### **Closed Session Items**

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

Board Vice President Coonerty reported the following actions during closed session:

## ITEMS TO BE TRANSACTED AND/OR DISCUSSED

# 5. Staff Report: Update on School Reopening Plan

Superintendent Munro presented an update on the School Reopening Plan. She reported that because of a new mandate put in place by the Governor, Santa Cruz County has met the criteria to be on the state monitoring list as of July 20, 2020, due to elevated levels in the areas of disease transmission in Santa Cruz County. School districts, charter schools, and private schools are now required to provide distance learning instructional services only. County Office of

Education Superintendent Dr. Faris Sabbah spoke about countywide collaboration to develop plans for reopening schools.. Staff also provided clarity around Senate Bill 98, and instructional minutes and guidelines for distance learning. Trustees asked questions and made comments regarding the school reopening plan.

Public Comment: Many parents and teachers addressed the Board to provide feedback and concerns regarding reopening schools, and distance learning.

Several kindergarten teachers banded together in support of new creative instructional methods.

GSCFT President Casey Carlson spoke on behalf of teachers who were surveyed about their opinions on returning to school. She asked the community to continue to be patient as we continue to address systematic processes of school funding.

MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Owen) 7-0, the Board of Education accepted the update on the School Reopening Plan.

# **Discussion: Possible Items for Future Meeting Agendas**

Trustees asked for more information on the CARES Act and the fiscal resources for programs moving forward. They also asked for a report back on waivers being submitted on behalf of the county to return to in person instruction. Finally, information was requested on the School Resource Officers program.

# 6. Adjournment of Meeting

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Ranii adjourned this Regular Meeting 7:12 p.m.

## **Return to Closed Session**

Board President Ranii reconvened the Closed Session Meeting at 7:15 p.m.

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

- 1. The Regular Meeting on July 29, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 2. The Regular Meeting on August 19, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 3. The Regular Meeting on September 9, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 4. The Regular Meeting on September 23, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 5. The Regular Meeting on October 7, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 6. The Regular Meeting on October 21, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 7. The Regular Meeting on November 4, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 8. The Regular Meeting/Study Session on November 18, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 9. The Regular Meeting on December 16, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 10. The Regular Meeting on January 13, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 11. The Regular Meeting/Study Session on January 27, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 12. The Regular Meeting on February 10, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.

- 13. The Regular Meeting on February 24, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 14. The Regular Meeting on March 10, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 15. The Regular Meeting on March 24, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 16. The Regular Meeting on April 14, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 17. The Regular Meeting/Study Session on April 28, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 18. The Regular Meeting on May 5, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 19. The Regular Meeting/Study Session on May 19, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 20. The Regular Meeting on June 2, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 21. The Regular Meeting on June 16, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 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 Cynthia Ranii, President Board of Education