# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS February 8, 2023

#### **Convene Open Session**

Board President Owen called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### **Attendance at Meeting**

John Owen Patricia Threet Kevin Grossman Angela Meeker

Sheila Coonerty

Remote: Claudia Vestal Absent: Kyle Kelley

Student Board Representative, Lynda Otero Remote: Student Board Representative, Neveah Karraker Absent: Student Board Representative, Eva Diop

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Dorothy Coito, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Jim Monreal, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Molly Parks, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

Members of the Audience

#### **Welcome and Format**

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

# 3.3 Agenda Changes, Additions, or Deletions

A correction was made to the January 11 Minutes. Student Representative Otero attended remotely, not Student Representative Diop.

A correction was made to Agenda Item 8.1.3.1 Certificated Personnel Actions. The last line in Torey Pratt's description states, "Sarah has five years of teaching experience..." and has been corrected to read "Torey".

Agenda item 8.5.4.2 Board Policies for Second or Final Reading is being pulled to be brought back to the Board at a future meeting.

#### 3.3.1 Teleconference Notice

Superintendent Munro announced for the record that this meeting is being conducted pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953(b) concerning teleconferencing of meetings. Board Member Vestal is

participating in this meeting by video call from 1813 Chanticleer Avenue, Santa Cruz, CA, 95062. In accordance with the Brown Act, this location has been identified on the agenda for this meeting.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

#### **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Munro recounted to the board that Director Shannon Calden and elementary teachers visited the SEAL (Sobrante Early Academic Learning) School, which is specifically designed for English language learners. Ms. Munro thanked Health and Wellness Coordinator Rishi Laal for applying for recognition of the PBIS programs in Elementary Schools. Mr. Laal was also commended for collaborating with Ecology for Action on bicycle and pedestrian safety for students, working with the LGBTQ Task Force and holding Community Resiliency and Trauma Informed Practices meetings. Ms. Munro also thanked Director Julia Hodges for her work on the CTE committee. Ms. Munro concluded her report by sharing her excitement with the recent successful and engaging Parent Leader Dinner and thanked all the participants for their insightful questions and collaboration.

#### **Student's Report**

Student Board Representative Lynda Otero began her report by addressing the death that impacted the Soquel High community. Ms. Otero stated that it is always difficult to process tragedy, but that staff handled it gracefully through highlighting the support available from social emotional counselors. She gave special thanks to teachers who spoke of the tragedy during class, shared their experience and gave students time to silently process. Ms. Otero also reported that all the winter sports had their senior nights and that it was energizing to see the excitement of the athletes. Ms. Otero concluded her report by happily sharing that she met with site administration and as a result a new system has been put in to place to provide greater access to the morning announcements for students.

Student Board Representative Neveah Karraker began her report by sharing her sympathy with everyone impacted by the student death. Ms. Karraker reported that the Winter Ball went great with a total of 310 students attending; with a photobooth, firepits, food and dancing - the students had a great time. Ms. Karraker also wanted to shine light on scholar athletes with the girls' Basketball team averaging a 4.19 GPA and boys basketball averaging 3.57, followed closely by girls Soccer and Wrestling. Ms. Karraker concluded her report by stating that CTE Medical Tech class will assist with advertising for the blood drive and that as Valentine's Day approaches Candy Grams are being sold to give to friends.

# **BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

# **Board Members' Reports**

Trustee Threet began her report by expressing her appreciation to the student trustees for speaking to the traumatic death of their fellow student and discussing the various supports available to them through the

District. Ms. Threet discussed her visit to Santa Cruz High School lead by Principal Poirier and Superintendent Munro. She stated that they had a productive meeting and took a tour of the various CTE programs on campus. Ms. Threet shared that she was pleased to see every seat in the Ceramics, Auto, and Woodshop classes filled with engaged students.

Trustee Grossman recounted that he saw Dr. Ibram X. Kendi speak at the Warriors Arena regarding his book "How to Be a (Young) Anti-Racist" and stated that he was pleased that this book had been donated to libraries throughout the District. Trustee Grossman attended his first CTE Advisory Committee meeting and thanked Director Julia Hodges for an excellent job facilitating. Finally, Trustee Grossman thanked Principal Poirier for graciously leading a tour of the Santa Cruz High campus, adding that he was extremely impressed with the auto shop.

Trustee Meeker began by reporting that she attended Branciforte Middle and Harbor High's open houses. Ms. Meeker expressed that it was exciting to see how much each school puts community at the center of their work. Trustee Meeker shared that she attended the LGBTQ Task Force meeting and that she looked forward to hearing results regarding the data from the Social Emotional Health Survey in the coming weeks. Trustee Meeker closed her report by acknowledging the impact the student death had on the entire school community.

Trustee Coonerty shared that she felt the excitement in the air with parents going to open houses and was happy to witness that joy considering all that the community has been through.

Trustee Vestal shared that she had the opportunity to attend many different meetings including the DELTA Board Meeting, SCZBA (Santa Cruz County School Boards' Association) and the LGBTQ task force. In each of these meetings members discussed challenges and successes, as well as shared appreciation for community support. Trustee Vestal ended her report by encouraging folks to make nominations for the Queer Youth Leadership awards as it is an opportunity to acknowledge queer youth leaders and allies.

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

Board President Owen began his report by expressing his condolences to the family of the young man that was killed. Mr. Owen then shared that he was pleased Trustee Grossman enjoyed his time in the CTE meeting, stating that while he missed his time on the committee, he was glad that a new Trustee could learn about the exciting programs it has to offer. Mr. Owen concluded his report by stating he was especially grateful for the Trustee meeting held at Harbor High and that he was excited to see all that was happening on the campus.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Board President Owen began by reminding the board that at the January 11, 2023 Meeting Trustee Threet made a motion, seconded by Trustee Grossman, to bring back the Minutes of the November 2, 2022 Study Session Meeting and the November 16, 2022 Regular Meeting because of a lack of quorum.

1. Trustee Vestal motioned to approve the Minutes of November 2, 2022 Meeting. Trustee Threet seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:** Threet – Yes Grossman – Abstain Meeker – Yes Vestal – Yes

Kelley – Absent Coonerty – Yes Owen – Yes

Student Trustee Otero recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Student Trustee Karraker recommended a yes vote on this matter.

MSP (Vestal/Threet) 5-2-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of November 2, 2022 Meeting.

2. Trustee Threet motioned to approve the Minutes of November 16, 2022 Study Session Meeting. Trustee Coonerty seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:** Threet – Yes Grossman – Abstain Meeker – Abstain Vestal – Yes

Kelley – Absent Coonerty – Yes Owen – Yes

Student Trustee Otero recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Student Trustee Karraker recommended a yes vote on this matter.

MSP (Threet/Coonerty) 4-3-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of November 16, 2022 Study Session Meeting.

3. Trustee Grossman motioned to approve the Minutes of January 11, 2023 Meeting. Trustee Meeker seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:** Threet – Yes Grossman – Yes Meeker – Yes Vestal – Yes

Kelley – Absent Coonerty – Yes Owen – Yes

Student Trustee Otero recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Student Trustee Karraker recommended a yes vote on this matter.

MSP (Grossman/Meeker) 6-1-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of January 11, 2023 Meeting.

# **GENERAL PUBLIC BUSINESS**

# **Consent Agenda**

8.1.1.1 Overnight Field Trip: Soquel High School: Anaheim Heritage Music Festival, 8.1.2.1 Purchase Orders, Bids & Quotes, 8.1.2.2 Warrant Register, 8.1.2.3 2nd Quarter Investment Report, 8.1.2.4 Bond Notice of

Completion, 8.1.3.1 Certificated Personnel Actions, 8.1.3.2 Classified Personnel Actions, 8.1.3.3 New Job Description: Central Kitchen Cook/Baker, 8.1.3.4 New Job Description: Nutrition Services Support Coordinator, 8.1.4.1 CPUC Grant Submission Letter of Support, 8.2.1.1 Memorandum of Understanding with Cabrillo College: Running Start to College, 8.2.1.2 Riverside County Office of Education Contract Extension, 8.2.1.3 Agreement for Professional Services: Lisa Achelis, SLP, 8.2.2.1 Barksdale Photography: Addendum to Extend the Original Contract, 8.3.1 Albion Environmental, Inc.: Proposal: Santa Cruz High School Baseball Backstop Construction Monitoring, 8.3.2 Bosco Construction Services, Inc.: Proposal: Transportation Storage Ramp, 8.3.3 CRW Industries, Inc.: Change order 1: Santa Cruz High School C & D Modernization, 8.3.4 Dilbeck & Sons: Proposal: Bay View Elementary School Door Hardware Replacement, 8.3.5 King Star Computer: Quote: Electronic Key Card System Backup Server, 8.3.6 Palace Business Solutions: Proposal: Mission Hill Middle School Office Furniture, 8.3.7 PSR Electric: Proposal: DeLaveaga Elementary School Exterior Lighting

Trustee Threet commented on agenda item 8.1.2.4 Bond Notice of Completion stating that she had hoped the Bond Oversight Committee had had a chance to look over the agreement and asked if a mechanism could be created to show what the project was originally bid at and what was spent.

Trustee Coonerty commented on agenda item 8.2.2.1 Memorandum of Understanding with Cabrillo College: Running Start to College and asked whether it would be possible to explore having similar tasks available for SPED and 504 students and to encourage this within our district.

Trustee Coonerty motioned to approve the consent agenda. Trustee Grossman seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:** Threet – Yes Grossman – Yes Meeker – Yes Vestal – Yes

Kelley – Absent Coonerty – Yes Owen – Yes

Student Trustee Otero recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Student Trustee Karraker recommended a yes vote on this matter.

#### **Closed Session Items**

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

- 1. Ms. Parks shared information with the Board on Certificated/Classified/Management Leaves, Retirements, Resignations & Appointments.
- 2. Ms. Parks did not have information to share regarding Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaints.

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

# 8.5.1.1 <u>Staff Report: Local Control and Accountability Plan Update: School Plan for Student Achievement Mid-Year Progress Report</u>

Assistant Superintendent Coito introduced Gault Principal Amariah Hernandez, Mission Hill Middle Principal Derek Kendall and Soquel High Principal Greg O'Meara to present a mid-year

update of their School Plans for Student Achievement (SPSA). Pursuant to California Education Code Section 64001 and the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act, schools that receive state and federal funds will consolidate all school plans into the SPSA. The SPSA is a blueprint to improve the academic performance of all students. Trustees asked questions and had discussion. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board at this time.

#### 8.5.1.2 Staff Report: California School Dashboard Update

Assistant Superintendent Coito introduced Directors Shannon Calden and Julia Hodges to present on the California School Dashboard Update. The California School Dashboard is an online tool designed to help communities across the state access important information about K–12 schools and districts. Results are presented for all districts, schools, and disaggregated by student demographic groups. Performance levels are calculated based on how current performance compares to past performance. This growth model provides a more complete picture of performance than a point-in-time snapshot. Trustees asked questions and had discussion. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board at this time.

# 8.5.2.1 Staff Report: Preliminary Enrollment Projection

Assistant Superintendent Monreal presented on the Preliminary Enrollment Projection for the 2023-24 school year. Staff work with PowerSchool, formerly DecisionInsite, a demography service, to research and develop both short and long-term enrollment projections. The report outlined projections based on district and partner district data, housing development plans, and other factors. District staff continue to work with DecisionInsite to audit and monitor these projections to inform staffing allocations and future budget and facilities planning. Trustees asked questions and had discussion. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board at this time.

#### 8.5.2.2 <u>Staff Report: Governor's Budget Proposal</u>

Assistant Superintendent Monreal presented on the Governor's Budget Proposal. Each January, the Governor presents the initial budget proposal for the upcoming fiscal year. District staff attended a workshop on 1/18/23 facilitated by School Services of California about the proposed education funding for the 2023-24 school year. Some highlights of the proposed Governor's Budget Proposal include: the economy and revenues, Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), and Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA), LCFF Entitlements for School Districts, retirement systems, minimum wage, Arts, Music, and Instructional Material Block Grant Reduction, Certificated and Classified Layoff Timeline and Proposition 28: Arts and Music funds. Trustees asked questions and had discussion. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board at this time.

Assistant Superintendent Molly Parks left the meeting at 9:05pm Student Trustee Neveah Karraker left the meeting at 9:05pm

# 8.5.2.3 New Business: Resolution #28-22-23 To Form New Bond Oversight Committee

Assistant Superintendent Monreal brought forward Resolution #28-22-23 To Form a New Bond Oversight Committee for Measures K & L. The purpose of the Oversight Committee is to inform the public concerning the expenditure of Proposition 39 bond revenues. The Oversight Committee's meetings must follow the guidelines of the Brown Act. Education Code section 15278 states if a bond measure is approved by the voters, the District must establish and appoint a total of at least seven members to an independent citizens' oversight committee as an accountability measure for the voters and taxpayers of the District. Education Code section 15280 requires the District to provide the Oversight Committee with any necessary technical and administrative assistance and to publicize the committee's conclusions. Trustees asked questions and had discussion.

Trustee Coonerty motioned to approve the Resolution #28-22-23 To Form New Bond Oversight Committee. Trustee Grossman seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:** Threet – Yes Grossman – Yes Meeker – Yes Vestal – Yes

Kelley – Absent Coonerty – Yes Owen – Yes

Student Trustee Otero abstained on this matter.

#### 8.5.2.4 New Business: AB 1200 for Meet and Confer Groups

Assistant Superintendent Monreal reported that the AB1200 Public Disclosure of costs for the proposed agreement for 2022-23 will provide a one-time off salary schedule payment of \$1,500.00 for FTE .51 to 1.00 (+) FTE and \$750.00 for FTE of .50 or below for 2022-23 for the District's Meet and Confer Groups. Assistant Superintendent Monreal recommended approval of the AB1200.

Trustee Vestal motioned to approve the AB1200 for Meet and Confer Groups. Trustee Threet seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:** Threet – Yes Grossman – Yes Meeker – Yes Vestal – Yes

Kelley – Absent Coonerty – Yes Owen – Yes

Student Trustee Otero recommended a yes vote on this matter.

# 8.5.3.1 New Business: Annual Resolution #26-22-23: District Needs

Superintendent Munro brought forward the Annual Resolution #26-22-23: District Needs. Pursuant to Education Code Section 44955(d), each year, the Board of Education determines the District needs in order to retain services of certificated employees in the 2023-2024 school

year, regardless of seniority, who possess qualifications needed for certain programs. Superintendent Munro recommended approval of the Annual Resolution #26-22-23: District Needs.

Trustee Threet motioned to approve the Annual Resolution #26-22-23: District Needs. Trustee Coonerty seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:** Threet – Yes Grossman – Yes Meeker – Yes Vestal – Yes

Kelley – Absent Coonerty – Yes Owen – Yes

Student Trustee Otero recommended a yes vote on this matter.

# 8.5.3.2 New Business: Annual Resolution #27-22-23: Tie Breaker Criteria

Superintendent Munro brought forward the Annual Resolution #27-22-23: Tie Breaker Criteria. Pursuant to Education Code Section 44955(d), each year, the Board of Education is required to determine the District needs should it become 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. Superintendent Munro recommended approval of the Annual Resolution #27-22-23: Tie Breaker Criteria.

Trustee Coonerty motioned to approve the Annual Resolution #27-22-23: Tie Breaker Criteria. Trustee Grossman seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:** Threet – Yes Grossman – Yes Meeker – Yes Vestal – Yes

Kelley – Absent Coonerty – Yes Owen – Yes

Student Trustee Otero recommended a yes vote on this matter.

# 8.5.3.3 <u>Staff Report: GSCFT 2023-24 Sunshine Articles</u>

Superintendent Munro presented The Greater Santa Cruz Federation of Teachers' 2023-24 Sunshine Articles. This in accordance with the Employees Relations Act for public notice of contract proposals before official negotiations may begin. The articles include Article VII Hours of Employment, Article X Safety and Health Article, Article XVII Salary and Benefits (Salary, and Structure of Salary Schedule, Service Credit and Stipends) and in the Guest Teacher Contract Article 111 Salary. Trustees asked questions and had discussion. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board at this time.

# 8.5.4.1 New Business: Board Committees

Each year, the Board President assigns Trustees to District committees. At the January Governance Session, there was discussion about the addition of a new Workforce Housing Ad Hoc Committee. Board President Owen appointed Trustee Kyle Kelley and himself to serve on the new Workforce Housing Ad Hoc Committee.

# 8.5.4.3 <u>Discussion: Possible Items for Future Meeting Agendas</u>

None

# 9. Adjournment of Meeting

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Owen adjourned this Regular Meeting at 9:26 p.m.

# **Board Meeting Schedule Information**

- 1. The Study Session on February 15, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
- 2. The Regular Board Meeting on February 22, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
- 3. The Regular Board Meeting on March 8, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
- 4. The Regular Board Meeting on March 22, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
- 5. The Regular Board Meeting on April 12, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
- 6. The Study Session on April 26, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
- 7. The Regular Board Meeting on May 10, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
- 8. The Study Session on May 24, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
- 9. The Regular Board Meeting on May 31, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
- 10. The Regular Board Meeting on June 14, 2023, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.

\*For more details about this meeting, please visit our district website and listen to the meeting recording: <a href="http://sccs.net/board">http://sccs.net/board</a> of <a href="education">education</a>

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent Santa Cruz City Schools John Owen, President Board of Education