# MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS JANUARY 18, 2023

#### **Convene Closed Session**

Board President Owen called this Closed Session Meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

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

None

## **Convene Open Session**

Board President Owen called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:07 p.m.

## **Attendance at Meeting**

Sheila Coonerty Kevin Grossman Kyle Kelley Angela Meeker

John Owens Patricia Threet Claudia Vestal

Student Board Representative, Eva Diop

Student Board Representative, Neveah Karraker

Remote: Student Board Representative, Lynda Otero

Kris Munro, Superintendent Dorothy Coito, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services Jim Monreal, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Absent: 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 Study Session of the Board of Education.

#### 3.2. Agenda Changes, Additions, or Deletions

Agenda item 5.2 Report of Closed Session Actions was added because it was missing.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** 

None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** 

None

**GENERAL PUBLIC BUSINESS** 

### **Consent Agenda**

5.1.1.2 School Accountability Report Cards

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

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:** Coonerty – Yes Grossman – Yes Kelley - Yes Meeker - Yes

Owen - Yes Threet - Yes Vestal - Yes

Student Trustee Otero recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Student Trustee Karraker recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Student Trustee Diop recommended a yes vote on this matter.

## **5.2 Closed Session Items**

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

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

- 1. The Board reviewed and discussed public employee performance evaluation (Govt. Code Section 5497)
  - Superintendent's 2022-23 Goals.

The Board will return to closed session to discuss:

1. Public employee performance evaluation (Govt. Code Section 5497) - Superintendent 2022-23 Goals Update.

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

## 6.1 School Board Recognition Month

Superintendent Munro recognized the Board for School Board Recognition Month. Superintendent Munro expressed her gratitude for the work that the board does and thanked them for their dedication and service.

## 6.2 New Business: Board Policies for first and/or final reading

Trustee Threet motioned to bring the Board Policies back to the consent agenda for a second reading. Trustee Coonerty seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

**Roll Call Vote:** Coonerty – Yes Grossman – Yes Kelley - Yes Meeker - Yes

Owen - Yes Threet - Yes Vestal - Yes

Student Trustee Otero recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Student Trustee Karraker recommended a yes vote on this matter.

Student Trustee Diop recommended a yes vote on this matter.

## 6.3 Study Session: Governance

Facilitator Carolyn Post and Superintendent Munro provided materials to the Trustees to guide discussion.

#### **Governance Protocols**

The Governance team reviewed roles, responsibilities, and meeting norms and agreements. The Board shared ideas and discussed how to be more efficient in presentations and discussions during meetings. The Board also discussed logistics and the new legislation regarding Teleconference rules. Finally, Superintendent Munro reviewed the 2022-23 Governance Calendar and explained it's use and purpose to the Board.

## Committee Assignments

Board President Owen reviewed the District Committees with the Board. Trustees volunteered for committees. Board President Owen assigned Trustees to their proposed District Committees to be finalized at the next Board meeting.

## Memorials Board Policy

Superintendent Coito provided Trustees with the draft policy and guidance to support memorials on school campuses in the District. The Memorials Ad Hoc Committee met last Fall to revise the policy. Superintendent Coito stated that she believed they had captured a policy that gave latitude and showed kindness to the community while also providing important parameters around unfortunate deaths in schools, especially around sensitive situations such as suicides. The Board discussed the benefits, challenges and logistics of allowing memorials on Santa Cruz City School campuses. The Board asked that the proposed policy be brought forward for approval with the next set of policy updates.

#### *Interdistrict Transfers*

Superintendent Munro discussed the board practice regarding Interdistrict Transfers and made recommendations for shifts in practice given declining enrollment and Trustee feedback.

Superintendent Munro also recommended changing the appeals process and the formation of an IDT appeal sub-committee. The Board discussed benefits, challenges and logistics of Interdistrict Transfers. The Board provided direction to the Superintendent to implement the recommended changes.

#### SCCS Vision 2030

Superintendent Munro provided information to the Board regarding the new Vision 2030 Committee. Vision 2030 was created for the purpose of making a collective recommendation to the Superintendent on how to use district resources to best serve students given projected declining enrollment over the next decade. The committee is comprised of teachers, parents, DELAC English learner parent representatives, classified staff, union representatives, site and district administrators and trustees. Clarifying questions were asked and explanations were provided.

## Meeting Evaluation

Trustees were asked to provide feedback on the study session by completing a written evaluation.

#### 7. Adjournment of Meeting

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Owen adjourned this Study Session at 8:27 p.m.

#### 8. Return to Closed Session

Board President Owen called this Closed Session Meeting to order at 8:30 p.m.

# 9. Closed Session Action Report

Vice President Threet reported the following actions during closed session:

- 1. The Board reviewed and discussed public employee performance evaluation (Govt. Code Section 5497)
  - Superintendent's 2022-23 Goals.

### 10. Adjournment of Meeting

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Owen adjourned this Study Session at 9:03 p.m.

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

- 1. The Regular Board Meeting on February 8, 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 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.
- 3. 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.
- 4. 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.
- 5. 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.
- 6. 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.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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.
- 9. 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.
- 10. 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.
- 11. 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.

Respectfully submitted,

<sup>\*</sup>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>