

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICT
February 27, 2013**

Convene Open Session

Board President Tracy-Proulx called this Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

Attendance at Meeting

Sheila Coonerty	Cynthia Hawthorne	Patricia Threet	Deborah Tracy-Proulx
Steve Trujillo	Claudia Vestal	Ken Wagman	

Student Representative Graham Denevan Student Representative Melissa Lopez

Gary Bloom, Superintendent
Karen Hendricks, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Members of the Audience

Welcome and Format

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

Agenda Changes

Board President Tracy-Proulx requested a change in the order of the agenda. President Tracy-Proulx and Superintendent Bloom will report out to the public prior to Public Comments this evening.

Superintendent Bloom requested that Item 3.5 Resolution 17-12-13 Release of Temporary Adult Education Certificated Employees and Item 3.6 Resolution 18-12-13 Elimination of Adult Education Particular Kinds of Services be moved to the March 13th Regular Meeting. MSP (Wagman/Hawthorne) 7-0, the Board of Education moved Items 3.5 and 3.6 to the agenda of the March 13, 2013 Regular Meeting.

BOARD REPORTS and REFERRALS

Board President's Report

Today is a day of sadness and sorrow in our community and we are all heartbroken over the loss of both Sgt. Baker and Detective Butler of the Santa Cruz Police Department. I want to express my personal sorrow but also on behalf of the district and the children we serve our deep gratitude to the local law enforcement and first responders who took care of our students yesterday at Branciforte Small Schools, Branciforte Middle Schools and the Bay View WPENS. I would also like to acknowledge the professionalism and dedication to duty exhibited by our administrators, teachers, counselors and other staff members who took such wonderful care of our children yesterday and today as we deal with this incident. We live in a special community, and while I know that we will come together as a community in the next few weeks and face the violence we have experienced, right now I want to come together in support of the families and friends of those we have lost – two parents of students served by Santa Cruz City Schools. Detective Butler was a very active parent of a student who attended the Bay View campus Westside Parent Education Nursery School and Sgt. Baker was the parent of a Harbor High School graduate who now also serves the community as a member of the Santa Cruz Police Department. Please honor our fallen community members with a moment of silence.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Bloom echoed Board President Tracy-Proulx's statements, adding high praise and recognition for the manner in which yesterday's school lockdowns were handled by the Santa Cruz City Schools staff. Thanks go to Student Services Director Brown, in particular, whose professionalism shepherded our staff and students through another crisis yesterday. While right now our schools are dealing with grieving, we will debrief this situation in the next few weeks and learn as many lessons as we can from what transpired yesterday in terms of dealing with such incidents. The Superintendent quickly addressed some additional business items: on the district website homepage "Quick Links" column on the right hand side of the page there are links to both a "Facts Sheet" and a "FAQs" document that address Elementary Schools Capacity and Enrollment. These documents will be emailed to the Board Members tomorrow morning. The District now has a dedicated email address to receive comments and/or suggestions from members of the public regarding elementary school capacity and enrollment. We are reaching out to the community regarding this issue to have as much information as possible before this matter comes to the Governing Board for possible action on March 27, 2013. Ms. Munro is visiting the Sanger School District near Fresno today and Mr. Meza is attending a conference in Sacramento.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bay View Principal Maryanne Robb extended her thanks to both Student Services Director Brown and Counselor Dawn Baxter for excellent support at the Bay View Campus of the Westside Parent Education Nursery School yesterday and today. Personnel Commissioner Dr. Jim Logsdon extended his thanks and praise to staff as well. GSCFT President Barry Kirschen reported that Board Member Coonerty attended a lunch time Union Meeting at which faculty had a chance to meet our new Trustee and express concerns and/or thoughts. The GSCFT hopes to offer this opportunity to all Board Members in the near future by offering a monthly meeting at rotating sites during the lunch break. Site Representatives at each site will set up the dates and times for the upcoming meetings. Mr. Kirschen asked the Trustees to bring forward a resolution on March 13th that would be less drastic than the one currently proposed to eliminate all adult school employees for 2013-14.

BOARD REPORTS and REFERRALS (continued)

Board Members' Reports and Referrals

Board Member Vestal added her support to Board President Tracy-Proulx's remarks and asked to hold her report for the next meeting.

Board Member Threet added her support to Board President Tracy-Proulx's remarks and asked to hold her report for the next meeting.

Board Member Hawthorne added her support to Board President Tracy-Proulx's remarks and asked to hold her report for the next meeting.

Board Member Wagman expressed his thanks to staff for their expert handling of the school lockdowns yesterday, added his support to Board President Tracy-Proulx's remarks and asked to hold his report for the next meeting.

Board Member Coonerty reported that these very difficult days have reminded her to give thanks for the wonderful job our teachers do in preparing students to handle difficult times/situations. Ms. Coonerty holds her report for the next meeting.

Board Member Trujillo was attending an Anti-Gun Violence Rally at the Santa Cruz Town Clock Center during the time of the incident yesterday and will rededicate himself to doing all he can do to end gun violence in our schools and cities. Mr. Trujillo holds his report for the next meeting.

Student Representative s Reports

Student Denevan and Student Lopez thanked Board President Tracy-Proulx and Superintendent Bloom for their comments and elected to hold their reports for the next meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MSP (Hawthorne/Coonerty) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 13, 2013.
2. MSP (Hawthorne/Threet) 4-0-3, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Special Meeting of February 20, 2013. Mr. Wagman, Ms. Vestal and Ms. Hawthorne abstained from this vote as they were not present at the Special Meeting.

GENERAL PUBLIC BUSINESS

Consent Agenda

Mr. Wagman moved approval of the Consent Agenda, consisting of: Personnel Actions – *Certificated*; Personnel Actions – *Classified*; Purchase Orders; Warrant Register; Budget Transfers; Gifts; CSA(s) – Supplemental Educational Services; CSA – Dientes; School Accountability Report Cards; Out of State Travel – Special Education. The Board acknowledged, with gratitude, the following gifts received by Santa Cruz City Schools: *DeLaveaga Elementary School* - Susana Arias donated supplies for the 3rd grade 30 foot mural project including; wall paint; class paint and paper; clay; glazes; firings; paint stripper; drop cloth; grout; hiring a painter to prepare the wall for the mural; ornament supplies; sculpey. *Westlake Elementary School* - Daniel and Michelle Nicely donated \$250.00 to the school. *Soquel High School* - David Bibl donated an SCMI “SI-12SW” Sliding Table Saw to the Industrial Arts Department. Ms. Hawthorne acknowledged the Dientes organization for the wonderful dental services they provide for those in need – this is such an important part of overall health care. Ms. Hawthorne seconded the motion and the motion was passed by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Coonerty – Yes	Hawthorne – Yes	Threet – Yes
Trujillo – Yes	Vestal – Yes	Wagman – Yes

Students Denevan and Lopez recommended a “Yes” vote on this matter.

Closed Session Actions Report

1. The Board of Education approved the Certificated/Classified/Management Leaves, Retirements, Resignations and Appointments as submitted with a vote of 7-0.
2. There were no items this evening regarding Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint.
3. The Board of Education received an update from, and gave direction to, the Superintendent regarding negotiations with the GSCFT K-12 Unit for 2013-14.

ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED

Staff Report: Santa Cruz County College Commitment

Superintendent Bloom introduced Dr. Ray Kaupp, Executive Director of S4C to the Board Members. Dr. Kaupp provided an update on the work of the organization and the recent AB790 Grant to develop school to career pathways. This report was informational only and no action was taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

New Business: City of Santa Cruz Historic Building List – Mission Hill Middle School

Superintendent Bloom reported that properties on the Historic Building List require a “historic alteration permit” whenever a possible material change to the exterior appearance of the building is proposed. School districts are normally exempt from zoning regulations. The Superintendent recommended opting “Out” of the Historic Building List; however, the district would be pleased to send a letter to the City of Santa Cruz expressing our intent to maintain the character of the building without participating in the program. MSP (Wagman/Hawthorne) 7-0, the Board of Education approved opting Mission Hill Middle School out of the Historic Building List Program and sending a letter to the City of Santa Cruz expressing intent to maintain the character of the building.

New Business: Resolution 15-12-13 Release of Temporary K-12 Certificated Employees

Ms. Hendricks recommended the release temporary K-12 Certificated Employees at the end of the 2012-13 school year. Ms. Hawthorne moved approval and Ms. Threet seconded the motion. This motion was passed by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Coonerty – Yes Hawthorne – Yes Threet – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes
Trujillo – No Vestal – Yes Wagman – Yes

Students Denevan and Lopez recommended a “Yes” vote.

New Business: Resolution 16-12-13 Reduction of K-12 Particular Kinds of Service

Ms. Hendricks recommended the reduction of .10 FTE Health and .20 FTE Physical Education for 2013-14. Ms. Hawthorne moved approval and Ms. Coonerty seconded the motion. This motion was passed by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Coonerty – Yes Hawthorne – Yes Threet – No Tracy-Proulx – Yes
Trujillo – No Vestal – Yes Wagman – Yes

Student Denevan abstained from a recommendation on this matter.

Student Lopez recommended a “Yes” vote on this matter.

New Business: Sunshine GSCFT Negotiations Openers to SCCS

Ms. Hendricks asked the Board of Education to receive the GSCFT 2013-14 contract proposals to SCCS for “Sunshining”. No action by the Board of Education was required on this matter.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

1. The Regular Meeting on March 13, 2013, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
2. The Regular Meeting on March 27, 2013, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
3. The Regular Meeting on April 17, 2013, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
4. The Regular Meeting on May 8, 2013, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
5. The Regular Meeting on May 22, 2013, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
6. The Regular Meeting on June 19, 2013, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

Adjournment

There being no further items of business to come before the Trustees, Board President Tracy-Proulx adjourned this Regular Meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Bloom, Superintendent
Santa Cruz City Schools

Deborah Tracy-Proulx, President
Board of Education