

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
January 14, 2015**

Convene Closed Session

Board President Vestal called this Regular Meeting Closed Session to order at 5:32 p.m. in the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

Public Comments for Closed Session Agenda Items

Bay View Principal Robb spoke on behalf of the SCCS Association of Managers and Administrators to encourage the board to cease the search for a Superintendent and appoint Kris Munro to the position. SCCCE President Chacanaca asked the Trustees to remember as they honor the district's food service workers tonight that the Administration is currently collecting payments from Classified Employees for health benefits. Please discontinue this practice.

Convene Open Session

Board President Vestal called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:40 p.m. in the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

Attendance at Meeting

Sheila Coonerty	Deedee Perez-Granados	Jeremy Shonick	Alisun Thompson
Patricia Threet	Deborah Tracy-Proulx	Claudia Vestal	

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Angela Meeker, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Russell Miller, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Members of the Audience

Welcome and Format

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

Agenda Changes

None

Superintendent's Remarks Prior to Public Comments

None

Food Service Recognition & Celebration

Superintendent Munro acknowledged the important work and dedication of our food service workers. Superintendent Munro, Human Resources Manager Dominguez and Personnel Commission Director Summers distributed Certificates of Recognition to Food Service employees and workers present for this meeting and those employees also posed for a photo. Meeting attendees were treated to cookies provided by the Board President Vestal.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Harbor High School Parent Booster Club Vice President Suzanne Williams to the SC Warriors Basketball Charity Poker Tournament benefitting Santa Cruz City Schools on Saturday, February 28, 2015. SCCS Personnel Commissioner Dr. Jim Logsdon recognized our district teachers for providing the kind of service to students that will affect them in a positive way for a lifetime – as evidenced by his conversations with alumni and families.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Elementary Teachers have been participating in California Reading and Literature Project Training on the Common Core State Standards led by their colleagues. High School Teachers and Students are busy preparing for final exams this next week. Today, many of our students participated in the Santa Cruz Warriors’ Dribble Parade downtown. This event kicks off the D League Showcase where the Warriors will be bussing all of our K-8 students to game as a culminating activity for the Math Warriors Curriculum that the league supported our teachers in developing. Assistant Superintendent Meeker, Finance Director Lacey and I will attend the Governor’s Budget Workshop tomorrow morning in Sacramento. The 5th Annual Latino Role Models conference will be held on January 31st at Harbor High School from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This event is planned by School Community Coordinators Fe Silva and Nereida Robles. The program is presented in Spanish with concurrent English translation. There will also be performances by our District Baile group and a UCSC student salsa performance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MSP (Threet/Tracy-Proulx) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on December 10, 2014.
2. MSP (Threet/Thompson) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Special Closed Session Meeting on December 18, 2014.

Consent Agenda

Board President Vestal pulled Item VIII.1.10 Classified Job Descriptions for a separate discussion and vote. Board Member Threet moved approval of the Consent Agenda (less Item 1.10 Classified Job Descriptions), consisting of: Item 1.1 Personnel Actions – *Certificated*; Item 1.2 Personnel Actions – *Classified*; Item 1.3 Purchase Orders; Item 1.4 Warrant Register; Item 1.5 Budget Transfers; Item 1.6 Gifts; Item 1.7 Board Policy 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements; Item 1.8 Williams Quarterly Report; Item 1.9 Revised Salary Schedule – Assistant Superintendent; Item 1.11 Contracts and Consultant Service Agreements-1.a MOU with West Ed for California Healthy Kids Services-2.a NPA Master Contract Revision for the Bridge School-3.a CSA for Willie Stokes-180 Degrees Program @ Harbor HS; Item 1.12 Disposal of Surplus Item(s); Item 1.13 Change Order(s); Item 1.14 Resolution 20-14-15 SCHS Scholarship: Nature First/Dino Scoppottone. The Board acknowledged, with gratitude, the following gifts received by Santa Cruz City Schools: *Bay View Elementary School* - Dynegy, Incorporated, through the request of employee and Bay View parent Mark Locatelli via the employee-directed grant program, donated \$1,000 to assist with the cost of the 5th grade Science Camp program; *DeLaveaga Elementary School* - Lisa French donated a 1990 Spinet piano to the classroom of Dora Gonzales; *Santa Cruz High School* - Greg O’Malley donated a saxophone for the band program; Lynn Renshaw and Neal Langholz donated \$600 to various specific teachers for classroom supplies and/or instructional use; *Soquel High School* - Collette Enemark donated \$250 to the Metal Shop Department. This motion was seconded by Deedee Perez-Granados. The motion was passed by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Coonerty – Yes Perez-Granados – Yes Shonick – Yes
Thompson – Yes Threet – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes Vestal – Yes

Item VIII.1.10 Classified Job Descriptions

Board President Vestal did not request any changes to the job descriptions for: Item VIII.1.10.a Transportation Supervisor or Item VIII.1.10.b Supervisor – Custodial/Grounds/Maintenance. Board President Vestal offered the following amended language (to be inserted into the first bulleted item in the second paragraph of page 46 of the Board Book for 1/14/15) to Item VIII.1.10.c District Buyer: “Exercise judgment in procurement of supplies, equipment and services in accordance with established policies, procedures and state procurement laws, *paying close attention to Board Policies that address the Board’s commitment to purchasing and using environmentally preferable products and services whenever practical (BP 3510) and to implementing and modeling purchasing practices that make positive contributions to local, national and global economics and working conditions (BP 3301).*” Board Member Tracy-Proulx moved approval of Item VIII.1.10 Classified Job Descriptions – including the suggested amended language provided by Board President Vestal. Ms. Thompson seconded this motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Coonerty – Yes Perez-Granados – Yes Shonick – Yes
Thompson – Yes Threet – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes Vestal – Yes

Closed Session Actions Report

1. The Board of Education discussed Certificated/Classified Management Leaves, Retirements, Resignations & Appointments.
2. The Board of Education discussed Expulsion 10-14-15.

Public Vote on Expulsion 10-14-15: MSP (Thompson/Coonerty) 7-0, the Trustees approved Expulsion 10-14-15.

The Board will return to Closed Session following the adjournment of this Open Session Meeting to continue Closed Session actions.

ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED

Staff Report: Food Services Update

Food Services Director Hedrick-Farr provided Trustees with information including: community partnerships; achievements; program goals; new program implementations; program challenges. Following questions and comments from the Trustees, Board President Vestal encouraged the Trustees to visit a school site and experience the great food that Amy and her staff prepare for our school community. This report was informational in nature and no actions regarding this matter were taken by the Board of Education.

Staff Report: Governor’s Budget Update

Mr. Miller reported that the update from the State was much more positive than it has been in recent years. Although as of today there is not a great deal of information available, tomorrow Superintendent Munro, Assistant Superintendent Meeker and Finance Director Lacey will attend a workshop in Sacramento where updated information will be presented. The Governor has restated his priority for local control funding and may propose closing revenue gaps for school districts more quickly than indicated last year. The Legislative Analyst’s Office cautions not to put money into programs that cannot be maintained if the economy slows. This report was informational in nature and no actions regarding this matter were taken by the Board of Education.

Staff Report: Common Core State Standards CCSS Implementation Update

Curriculum Director Wildman reviewed: plans for implementation through 2015-16; CCSS budget and expenditures; goals for 2015. Board Members, District Staff and Members of the Audience asked questions and Board Members made comments following the question period. This report was informational in nature and no actions regarding this matter were taken by the Board of Education.

New Business: Resolution 17-14-15 Determination of K-12 District Needs for 2015-16

Pursuant to Education Code Section 44955(d), the Board of Education determines the District needs in order to retain services of certificated employees for the 2015-16 school year, regardless of seniority, who possess qualifications needed for certain programs. Dr. Coonerty moved approval and Ms. Thompson seconded the motion. This motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Coonerty – Yes Perez-Granados – Yes Shonick – Yes
Thompson – Yes Threet – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes Vestal – Yes

New Business: Resolution 18-14-15 Tie Breaking Criteria for Seniority Order for Certificated Employees with the Same First Date of Paid Service

Pursuant to Education Code Section 44955(d), the Board of Education is required to determine the needs of the District should it become necessary to establish the seniority of employees who first rendered paid service to the District on the same date. Ms. Thompson moved approval and Ms. Perez-Granados seconded the motion. This motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Coonerty – Yes Perez-Granados – Yes Shonick – Yes
Thompson – Yes Threet – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes Vestal – Yes

New Business: Resolution 19-14-15 Recognizing the Week of the School Administrator, the Week of the Teacher, and the Week of the Classified Employee

Santa Cruz City Schools would like to acknowledge the hard work of staff in service to students by recognizing the following dates: March 1-7, 2015 as Week of the School Administrator; May 10-16, 2015 as Week of the Teacher; May 17-23, 2015 as Week of the Classified Employee. These dates will celebrate 36 managers, 413 teachers and 304 classified workers who serve our school community so well. Ms. Thompson moved approval and Ms. Perez-Granados seconded the motion. This motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote: Coonerty – Yes Perez-Granados – Yes Shonick – Yes
Thompson – Yes Threet – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes Vestal – Yes

New Business: Parcel Tax Oversight Committee Board Appointments

The District is fortunate to have extraordinary community support through three parcel taxes that allow us to keep small class sizes, have credentialed librarians, school counselors, art and music programs and more. These resources provide essential programs and services for our students. The independent Parcel Tax Oversight Committee was formed in May, 2006, to oversee all expenditures funded by parcel tax measures and ensure that the revenues are expended for the purposes approved by the voters. As per the original intent, each Board Member will appoint a representative to the Parcel Tax Oversight Committee for a four-year term. Additional committee membership will continue as originally approved. No vote is necessary for this item. Appointees are as follows: Dr. Coonerty – Bay View Parent Monique Kremer; Mr. Shonick – Westlake Instructional Technician Monica Adams; Ms. Thompson – Bay View Parent Jody Mulder; Ms. Threet – Soquel HS Counselor Sue Faix; Ms. Tracy-Proulx – SCEF Board Member Janet Swann. Ms. Perez-Granados and Board President Vestal will select appointees as soon as possible.

BOARD MEMBERS' BOARD REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

Board Member Coonerty commented on the wonderful story about the new tech company Futuristic Lights started by CEO Zohar Wouk, former AFE student, and 2 current AFE students, Abe Karplus and Abe Jellinek. Dr. Coonerty thinks public school students ROCK!

Board Member Thompson attended the CSBA Conference in Sacramento on December 13 through December 16 and the Bay View breakfast.

Board Member Threet is still fielding questions from the community regarding our default A-G curriculum. Folks are worried about the future funding of ROP classes. Santa Cruz City Schools is ready for Open House season! The first scheduled Open House is at Soquel High School on January 29. Dates and times for all sites are posted on the district website. Trustee Threet attended the Soquel HS production of "The Diviners" and it was great. The SHS PTA meeting was very collaborative. Ms. Threet extended an invitation to interested parties for attend the January 24th SCHS/SHS varsity basketball games – in between the Girls' and the Boys' games, SCHS will honor their former State Champions team from 2005.

Board Member Shonick reported that Los Angeles Unified School District had adopted a new curriculum and he would be interested in seeing it.

Board Member Perez-Granados attended the Gault PTA meeting. There is a great connection at this site with the local community, including the attendance and participation at the meeting of the ELAC parents. Trustee Perez-Granados would like to see the relationship at Branciforte Middle School as well.

Board Member Tracy-Proulx met with Wellness Committee agenda committee to plan for first meeting of the 14/15 school year; met with Tech Task Force agenda committee to plan for Feb meeting with focus on school websites; would like to commend Branciforte Middle School's Associated Student Body, Assistant Principal David Salles and Librarian Ollie Ziff for their commitment to the Santa Cruz County Food Bank and for making this world a better place.

Board President's Report

Board President Vestal attended the Delta Charter School board meeting and is pleased to report: enrollment is 130 with 52 seniors; teachers are leading the WASC self-study; 9% of the students are enrolled in Cabrillo College Fall Semester classes; 2 senior students are enrolled full time at Cabrillo College in ACES and the Puente Project; all Delta Math 3 students took the Cabrillo College math assessment; 11 seniors took the Career and Guidance class this Fall; one Delta student will be seated as a Cabrillo College Senator during the meeting in January. Board President Vestal visited Harbor High School and observed the food being prepared for lunch. Food Service workers greeted her, answered questions – and never slowed down production! Ms. Vestal saw the new wrapping equipment and observed students working in the program, and is very pleased to have the opportunity to recognize these hard-working employees at the meeting tonight.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

1. The New Board Member Orientation Meeting on January 21, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the Soquel High School Library, 401 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
2. The Governance Session Meeting on February 4, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the Harbor High School Library, 300 La Fonda, Santa Cruz, CA.

3. The Regular Meeting on February 11, 2015, 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 February 25, 2015, 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 March 11, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
6. The Special Joint Study Session of the Board of Education/Budget Advisory Committee will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 4:30 p.m., March 24, 2014.
7. The Regular Meeting on March 25, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
8. The Regular Meeting on April 15, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
9. The Regular Meeting on May 6, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
10. The Regular Meeting on May 20, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the Santa Cruz City Schools District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
11. The Regular Meeting on June 17, 2015, 6:30 p.m., will be held at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
12. The Regular Meeting on June 24, 2015, 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 Open Session business to come before the Trustees, Board President Vestal adjourned this Open Session of the Regular Meeting at 8:30 p.m.

RECONVENE CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Education reconvened to Closed Session at 8:35 p.m.

Closed Session Action Report

3. The Board of Education received an update from and gave direction to Assistant Superintendent Russell Miller regarding negotiations with the GSCFT for 2013-14.
4. The Board of Education received an update from and gave direction to Assistant Superintendent Russell Miller regarding negotiations with the SCCCE for 2014-15.
5. The Board of Education conferred regarding anticipated litigation.
6. The Board of Trustees discussed Superintendent Munro's performance evaluation.

Adjournment

The Board of Education adjourned the return to Closed Session at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Santa Cruz City Schools

Claudia Vestal, President
Board of Education