MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS August 10, 2005

Call to Order

Board Vice President Pinheiro called this Regular Meeting to order at 6:03 p.m, in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Rd., Soquel, CA.

Attendance at Meeting

Rachel Dewey Thorsett Cece Pinheiro Felix Robles Tim Willis

Absent: John Collins Mick Routh Ken Wagman

Alan Pagano, Superintendent Tanya Krause, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Ralph Porras, Assistant Superintendent, Instruction Members of the Audience

Welcome & Format

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

Agenda Changes

None

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

GSCFT Co-President George Martinez expressed concerns regarding the sizes of the classes at the elementary schools, and also district plans to hire a long-term 1.0 elementary substitute. Mr. Martinez advocated for an additional qualified teacher to address the staffing need. SCCS Director of Curriculum and Assessment Morgenstern announced the award of a \$175,000 grant from the Packard Foundation for Santa Cruz City Schools.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Superintendent reported that the resolutions for reauthorization of Measures C & D were submitted to the County Office of Education, and extended thanks to all who helped and supported this process. Mr. Pagano reported a meeting scheduled for Friday August 12th, 1:00 p.m., at the GSCFT offices to finalize the ballot arguments for the tax measures. The final documents will be submitted August 19th. Superintendent Pagano wrote a personal thank-you to the Packard Foundation for their continued support of the unique SCCS programs. The Superintendent concluded his remarks with assurances to Mr. Martinez and the community that SCCS is committed to procuring quality teachers – but every budget dollar must be carefully spent. The situation is being closely monitored.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS OR COMMENTS

Trustee Pinheiro thanked those in attendance for their support of Santa Cruz City Schools, and announced, with regret, her resignation from the Board of Trustees in the near future. Ms. Pinheiro will continue her positive relationship with students as Executive Director of SPIN – and desires continued success for SCCS.

Board Member Dewey Thorsett reported attending several Budget Meetings, and noted that she has received lots of calls and emails regarding the class sizes in the elementary schools. Ms. Dewey Thorsett expressed desire to have the District continue to see 31 students in a class as the absolute maximum, not the target.

Board Member Robles thanked Ms. Pinheiro for her time of service to this community – and expressed gratitude for the views she brought to SCCS. Trustee Robles reported his enjoyment at becoming familiar with administrators, people and programs at various sites this summer.

Board Member Willis expressed satisfaction at the Superintendent's rationale regarding classes and substitute teachers. Mr. Willis stated he is sympathetic to the idea that a substitute may be the most qualified person available. Trustee Willis concluded with good wishes for Ms. Pinheiro in her new endeavors.

GENERAL PUBLIC BUSINESS

Consent Agenda

Mr. Willis moved approval of the Consent Agenda, consisting of: Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 27, 2005; Personnel Actions – Certificated (Ex. 6); Personnel Actions – Classified (Ex. 7); Warrant Register Batches 9 – 26; Purchase Orders, Quotes & Bids (Ex. 8); Change Orders for Construction Contracts (Ex. 9). Mr. Robles seconded this motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote, as follows:

Roll Call Vote Dewey Thorsett – Yes Pinheiro – Yes Robles – Yes Willis – Yes

STAFF REPORTS

Investment Report for the Quarter Ending June 30, 2005

Superintendent Pagano delivered the Investment Report for the Quarter Ending 6/30/05 to the Board of Trustees. District cash for all funds is on deposit and is invested by the Santa Cruz County Auditor Controller. Interest revenue for all funds was provided, as well as information for the Certificates of Participation and Foundation Trust Fund.

OLD BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING: 2004-05 and 2005-06 Tentative Agreement Between SCCS and GSCFT for Adult Education Teachers and Disclosure of the Cost of the Agreement

Ms. Krause reported the GSCFT and SCCS reached a tentative agreement regarding the 2004-05 and 2005-06 collective bargaining agreement for Adult Education teachers. Approval of the agreement by the Board of Trustees is on this agenda as a separate item. The Board is required to AB 1200 to make this agreement available to the public, to publicly disclose its costs, and to hold a public hearing to receive public comments prior to Board approval.

Board Vice President Pinheiro opened this Public Hearing at 6:18 p.m.

Public Comments: None

Board Vice President Pinheiro closed this Public Hearing at 6:20 p.m.

Ratification of 2004-05 and 2005-06 Collective Bargaining Agreement Between SCCS and GSCFT for Adult Education Teachers

Ms. Krause reported this agreement was reached on May 17, 2005. The Adult Education teachers have ratified this contract – the agreement is for two years from April 1, 2005 thru June 30, 2006. MSP (Robles/Willis) 4-0, the Board approved this Collective Bargaining Agreement. (Ex. 10)

NEW BUSINESS

Approve 2005-06 K-3 Class Size Reduction Funding

Superintendent Pagano reported each year the District must apply for State funding for grades K-3 Class Size Reduction. The application for 2005-06 is based on projections for the numbers of classes and the numbers of students. At the end of year, actual funding will be adjusted up or down based on actual enrollment. To receive full funding, classes may not exceed 20.44 average daily enrollments during the year. The 2005-06 funding rate is \$967 per pupil in grades K-3. MSP (Willis/Robles) 4-0, the Board approved the 2005-06 K-3 Class Size Reduction Funding.

Approve 2005-06 Meal Prices

Superintendent Pagano asked the Board Members to approve the 2005-06 reimbursable meal and ala carte prices. Included in the packet is a table showing lunch prices in neighboring districts. After discussion among Trustees, District Staff, and questions and answers with Supervisor of Food Services Denise McGregor, MSP (Willis/Dewey Thorsett) 4-0, the Board approved the 2005-06 meal prices. (Ex. 11)

INFORMATION & FUTURE MEETINGS

<u>Information</u>

Superintendent Pagano stated he would provide information at the next Regular Meeting regarding the expected Trustee vacancy, including a proposal on how to move forward to fill this position.

Future Meetings

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for August 24, 2005, 6:00 p.m., Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Rd., Soquel, CA.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board of Trustees, Vice President Pinheiro adjourned this Regular Meeting at 6:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Pagano, Superintendent Santa Cruz City Schools

Cece Pinheiro, VicePresident Board of Education