MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS SEPTEMBER 9, 2020

Convene Closed Session

Board President Ranii called this Closed Session Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Public Comments for Closed Session Agenda Items

None

Convene Open Session

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

Attendance at Meeting

Sheila Coonerty Cindy Ranii Jeremy Shonick Patricia Threet Deb Tracy-Proulx Claudia Vestal

Absent: Trustee John Owen

Student Board Representative Sophie Nigh

Absent: Student Board Representative Xhu Lopez Guzman

Kris Munro, Superintendent

Dorothy Coito, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

Molly Parks, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

Jim Monreal, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Members of the Audience

Welcome and Format

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

3.2. Agenda Changes, Additions, or Deletions

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Parent Hannah Nevins addressed the Board to ask for more access to school libraries and tangible books for students.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Munro acknowledged and expressed gratitude to Executive Assistant Sarah Miller for service to the district and the Board.

Vice President Coonerty also acknowledged and expressed gratitude to Executive Assistant Sarah Miller on behalf of the Board.

Student's Report

Student Board Representative Sophie Nigh reported working with student leadership for fundraising and fire relief efforts. Additionally, Soquel High School student leadership is actively working to provide student engagement opportunities. She also expressed gratitude and excitement about the reopening of facilities for athletics.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

Trustee Threet expressed gratitude to Executive Assistant Sarah Miller for her service and welcomed Executive Assistant Alyssa Martinez to her new position.

Trustee Vestal also expressed gratitude to Executive Assistant Sarah Miller for her service and welcomed Executive Assistant Alyssa Martinez to her new position. She also thanked the district for the work to continue to support students and families during these challenging times.

Vice President Coonerty welcomed Executive Assistant Alyssa Martinez to her new position.

Trustee Tracy-Proulx expressed gratitude to Executive Assistant Sarah Miller for her service and welcomed Executive Assistant Alyssa Martinez to her new position.

Trustee Shonick thanked Executive Assistant Sarah Miller for her service. He also noted he had a comment concerning the minutes, to be addressed later in the agenda.

Board President's Report

President Ranii expressed gratitude to Executive Assistant Sarah Miller for her service to the Board and the District. She also welcomed Executive Assistant Alyssa Martinez to her new position as Assistant to the Superintendent. President Ranii also congratulated Trustee Threet, Trustee Coonerty, and Trustee Owen for their reappointment in 2020. All three Trustees were unopposed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Vestal) 6-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of July 29, 2020 meeting. Trustee Shonick requested a follow up on a technology report, which was last discussed at the July 29, 2020 meeting.
- 2. MSP (Vestal/Coonerty) 6-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of August 19, 2020 meeting.
- 2. MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Vestal) 6-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of August 26, 2020 meeting.

GENERAL PUBLIC BUSINESS

Consent Agenda

8.1.1. Personnel Actions - Certificated, 8.1.2. Personnel Actions - Classified, 8.1.3. Purchase Orders, Bids, & Quotes, 8.1.4. Warrant Register, 8.1.5. Disposition of Surplus Property, 8.1.6. Revised Classified Job Descriptions, 8.2.1.1. Consultant Service Agreement: Positive Discipline, 8.2.1.2. Curriculum Contract: Newsela, 8.2.1.3. Memorandum of Understanding: Career Technical Education Magnet Programs, 8.2.1.4. Memorandum of Understanding: Santa Cruz Public Library, 8.2.4.1. Monday.com Ltd.: Membership Contract, 8.3.1 Development Group Inc.: Change Order 1: Santa Cruz High School Structured Cabling Design and Installation, 8.3.2. Development Group Inc.: Change Order 1: Soquel High School Structured Cabling Design and Installation, 8.3.3. F.O. Consulting: Proposal: Arborist Assessment Services Mission Hill Middle School Field, 8.3.4. Leach Group Inc.: Contract: Branciforte Small Schools Alternative Family Education Modular Buildings Inspections, 8.3.5. Madi 19six Architect: Change Order 1: Soquel High School Modernization Phase 3, 8.3.6. Santa Cruz Telephone: Proposal: Soquel High School Phone Repairs. Trustee Threet requested to pull items 8.1.4. Warrant Register and 8.3.3. F.O. Consulting: Proposal: Arborist Assessment Services Mission Hill Middle School Field for discussion during open session.

Vice President Coonerty motioned to approve the consent agenda, except for items 8.1.4. Warrant Register and 8.3.3. F.O. Consulting: Proposal: Arborist Assessment Services Mission Hill Middle School Field. Trustee Vestal seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote:

Coonerty – Yes Owen – Absent Ranii – Yes

Shonick – Yes Threet – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes Vestal – Yes

Closed Session Items

Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

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

- 1. Ms. Parks shared information with the Board on Certificated/Classified/Management Leaves, Retirements, Resignations & Appointments.
- 2. Ms. Parks did not have any information to share with Trustees regarding Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaints.
- 3. Mr. Monreal provided an update to the Board regarding real party property negotiations.
- 4. The Board President represented SCCS in discussion regarding the Superintendent's Contract.

ITEMS TO BE TRANSACTED AND/OR DISCUSSED

8.5.1.1. New Business: Reopening Plan Update

Superintendent Munro, along with Assistant Superintendent Parks, Assistant Superintendent Coito and Assistant Superintendent Monreal, provided an overview of the efforts the district has made to plan for reopening schools during distance learning. Staff presented County COVID data, along with information on the new state monitoring system. They shared details about athletic conditioning which is scheduled to begin September 14. The California Department of Public Health has given guidance on small cohorts for educational services that are planning to

implement a small cohort model. Other updates include surveillance testing of employees, which has been secured by Dr. Sabbah at the COE. Finally, Assistant Superintendent Monreal disclosed efforts to update civic permits policies for the district. Trustees asked questions and made comments. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board.

8.5.2.1. New Business: CDWG: Purchase of Distance Learning Equipment: Monitors and Document Cameras for Teachers

Assistant Superintendent Coito and Director of Elementary Curriculum Calden presented the proposal from CDWG to purchase monitors and document cameras for teachers. As discussed in a previous Board meeting, Ms. Coito explained that staff and families have identified a need for these tools to support distance learning and student engagement. Ms. Coito recommended approval of the purchase of monitors and document cameras from CDWG. Trustees asked questions and had discussion.

MSP(Coonerty/Vestal)4-2, the Board of Education approved the quote from CDWG for the purchase of monitors and document cameras.

8.5.2.2. Public Hearing: Elementary Textbook Sufficiency

Assistant Superintendent Coito explained that a public hearing for textbook sufficiency must be held annually to be eligible to receive instructional material funds. President Ranii opened the public hearing for public comment.

Opened: 7:56pm

Public Comment: None

Closed: 7:57pm

8.5.2.3. New Business: Resolution 08-20-21: Elementary Textbook Sufficiency

Assistant Superintendent Coito presented this Resolution, which attests that each elementary student in the district has or will have prior to the end of the fiscal year, sufficient textbooks or instructional materials in specified subjects that are aligned to the academic content standards. Ms. Coito recommends approval of this resolution.

MSP(Coonerty/Tracy-Proulx) 6-0, the Board of Education approved Resolution 08-20-21: Elementary Textbook Sufficiency.

8.5.2.4. <u>Public Hearing: Secondary Textbook Sufficiency</u>

Assistant Superintendent Coito explained that a public hearing for textbook sufficiency must be held annually to be eligible to receive instructional material funds. President Ranii opened the public hearing for public comment.

Opened: 7:58pm

Public Comment: None

Closed: 7:58pm

8.5.2.5. New Business: Resolution 09-20-21: Secondary Textbook Sufficiency

Assistant Superintendent Coito presented this Resolution, which attests that each secondary student in the district has or will have prior to the end of the fiscal year, sufficient textbooks or instructional materials in specified subjects that are aligned to the academic content standards. Ms. Coito recommends approval of this resolution.

MSP(Coonerty/Vestal) 6-0, the Board of Education approved Resolution 09-20-21: Secondary Textbook Sufficiency.

8.5.2.6. Staff Report: Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan Overview

Assistant Superintendent Coito presented the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan, established by Senate Bill 98 on June 29, 2020, and the several key changes made to accountability requirements for 2020-21. The Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan memorializes the ongoing planning process for the 2020-21 school year. Stakeholder input identified many needs that were written into the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan. Trustees asked questions and had discussion. This was the first reading of the plan and it will be brought back to the Board at the next meeting. No action was taken by the Board at this time.

8.5.2.7. Public Hearing: Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan

Assistant Superintendent Coito explained that a public hearing on the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan follows to allow public input prior to being submitted for adoption at the September 23rd Board meeting. President Ranii opened the public hearing for public comment.

Opened: 8:31pm

Public Comment: None

Closed: 8:32pm

8.5.3.1. Staff Report: Opening Enrollment Report

Assistant Superintendent Monreal presented a report reflecting opening enrolments by school site. The report compared the actual enrollment to the projected enrollment, as well as to the October 2019 CBEDs count. Assistant Superintendent Monreal explained how the changes in enrollment affected the FTE at each of the school sites. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board at this time.

8.3.3. F.O. Consulting: Proposal: Arborist Assessment Services Mission Hill Middle School Field

Trustee Threet requested this item be removed from the consent agenda for discussion. Trustees discussed a desire to see the district use local services rather than out of county vendors when possible. This particular vendor, though out of county, was recommended by the site architect due to having a past working relationship. Director of Facilities Miller explained the timeline and necessary dates to meet for this upcoming project at Mission Hill Middle School.

MSP(Vestal/Tracy-Proulx) 5-1, the Board of Education approved the contract from F.O. Consulting for arborist assessment services.

8.1.4. Warrant Register

Trustee Threet requested this item be removed from the consent agenda for discussion. Trustees discussed the reporting process and ways to make the process more streamlined and transparent.

MSP(Coonerty/Tracy-Proulx) 5-1, the Board of Education approved the warrant register.

8.5.4.1. Superintendent's Goals

Superintendent Munro is committed to an open agenda and communication with Trustees, District Staff and the greater Santa Cruz school community as the district team works diligently to engage students' hearts and minds - every student, every day. Her report detailed goals and objectives for the 2020-21 school year. Each of the following district goals was addressed by Superintendent Munro with a lengthy list of action items:

Goal #1: All SCCS students will be prepared to successfully access post-secondary college and career opportunities.

Goal #2: SCCS will create positive, engaging school environments that promote the development of cognitive skills and the social emotional well-being of all students.

Goal #3: We will eliminate the achievement gaps that currently exist between demographic groups within the SCCS student community.

Goal #4: We will develop a highly collaborative, professional culture focused on supporting effective teaching.

Goal #5: SCCS will maintain a balanced budget and efficient and effective management.

Goal #6: SCCS will maintain strong communication and partnership with its diverse community.

8.5.4.2. <u>Discussion: Possible Items for Future Meeting Agendas</u>

Trustee Shonick suggested a resolution be brought to the Board that outlines the desire to purchase goods and services locally, when possible. Trustees agreed this is something they would like to see on a future agenda.

Trustee Shonick also requested a comprehensive technology report that outlines the overview and plan for technology use in the district, with an emphasis on how technology is being and will be used in distance learning and hybrid learning. Trustees agreed this is something they would like to see on a future agenda.

9. Adjournment of Meeting

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Ranii adjourned this Regular Meeting at 9:45 p.m.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

- 1. The Regular Meeting on September 23, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 2. The Regular Meeting on October 7, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 3. The Regular Meeting on October 21, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 4. The Regular Meeting on November 4, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 5. The Regular Meeting/Study Session on November 18, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.

- 6. The Regular Meeting on December 16, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 7. The Regular Meeting on January 13, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 8. The Regular Meeting/Study Session on January 27, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 9. The Regular Meeting on February 10, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 10. The Regular Meeting on February 24, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 11. The Regular Meeting on March 10, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 12. The Regular Meeting on March 24, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 13. The Regular Meeting on April 14, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 14. The Regular Meeting/Study Session on April 28, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 15. The Regular Meeting on May 5, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 16. The Regular Meeting/Study Session on May 19, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 17. The Regular Meeting on June 2, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
- 18. The Regular Meeting on June 16, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent Santa Cruz City Schools Cynthia Ranii, President Board of Education

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