# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS August 17, 2016

## **Convene Closed Session**

Board President Thompson called this Regular Meeting Closed Session to order at 5:31 p.m. in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

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

None

## **Convene Open Session**

Board President Thompson called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:38 p.m. in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

## **Attendance at Meeting**

Sheila Coonerty Deedee Perez-Granados Jeremy Shonick Patricia Threet

Alisun Thompson Deb Tracy-Proulx Claudia Vestal

Kris Munro, Superintendent

Patrick K. Gaffney, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Molly Parks, Assistant Superintendent, Human resources

Frank Wells, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

Members of the Audience

#### **Welcome and Format**

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

## **Public Vote on Interdistrict Transfer Appeals Hearings**

#### Student #1

MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Perez-Granados) 7-0, the Board of Education voted to uphold the denial of the Interdistrict Transfer for Student #1.

#### **Agenda Changes**

None

#### **Superintendent's Remarks Prior to Public Comments**

None

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

On Monday, our Exceptional Santa Cruz Instructional Leadership teams met for a day of professional learning and collaboration. Ms. Wildman, Ms. Mekis and the Principals planned a productive day of learning and differentiated support for grade span and site SCIL teams. Teacher leadership is critical to our work as professionals in serving our students and meeting our goals. We've also had some wonderful science and

math learning opportunities in the last couple of weeks that you will hear more about later tonight. In 2016-17, I am continuing in the role of Steering Committee Chair for the Santa Cruz College Commitment. Our collaboration with all of the districts in the county, Cabrillo, CSUMB and UCSC is an important component of our work in meeting our district goal of ensuring that all students are college and career ready at graduation. This year, the annual county Trustee Dinner on September 26 will be hosted by S4C through the GATES grant at the Seascape Golf Course. Our Leadership Team was welcomed back the first week in August with two days of professional collaboration, with the focus on vision, goals and school culture and safety. Like our teacher leaders, the passion and enthusiasm that our site and central office leaders are bringing to our work together is palpable. On Friday, July 19 from 6:00 to 8:00 at the Branciforte Middle School Innovation Center, we will hold a study session on the Facilities Master Plan. This will be an opportunity for Trustees to dig into the details of the plan, ask questions of the architects and staff and discuss the plans together to inform any changes to the plans before it is brought to the Board for approval on August 31.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

## **Board Members' Reports**

Board Member Coonerty reported that she is pleased to say she will be serving another term on the Santa Cruz City Schools Board of Education.

Board Member Vestal reported that Delta Charter High School is ready to start the new school year and Ms. Vestal is honored to know that she will serve another four years as a Trustee for the district.

Board Member Threet is happy to serve another term on the Board of Education and is grateful for those who have faith in the quality of the service by this Board. Ms. Threet attended the July Personnel Commission meeting and thanked the Commissioners for their service and the district for providing a voice for our classified employees who support our students. The Santa Cruz High School Campus Beautification Committee will begin the 2016-17 school year clean-up this coming Sunday August 21.

Board Member Shonick is looking forward to hearing from our Math and Science teachers regarding their summer work and professional learning. Best practices across curriculum and disciplines are beginning to evolve as part of our instructional framework, and this exciting development will promote learning and achievement for all students.

Board Member Perez-Granados reported that the new semester will begin at CSUMB on Monday. Some exciting and challenging initiatives are coming out of Sacramento, and folks at CSUMB are hard at work to take advantage of some of the opportunities in order to bring you a fresh new batch of teachers in the very near future. Dr. Perez-Granados looks forward to providing some relief for the teacher shortage.

Board Member Tracy-Proulx appreciates the support from the District regarding the hiring of textbook clerks for the high schools.

## **Board President's Report**

Board President Thompson attended the Leadership meeting on August 4 and was able to spend the morning with the Leadership Team. Dr. Thompson commends Superintendent Munro and her team for designing a day that was the perfect combination of "nuts and bolts of what needs to happen" and "the vision of dreaming big". Dr. Thompson was inspired and is honored to work with such a great group of administrators. Dr. Thompson has been busy with campaign work and also the Youth Violence Prevention Initiative. Exciting work

is happening in the area of supporting marginalized youth. Harbor High School will host a campus beautification work day on September 24 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. – all are welcome.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. MSP (Vestal/Coonerty) 6-0-1, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on July 27, 2016, as submitted. Mr. Shonick abstained from this vote as he was not present at the meeting.

#### **Consent Agenda**

Board Member Threet asked to pull Item 8.1.5 Board Policy Updates for a separate discussion and vote. Board Member Perez-Granados asked a clarifying question about Item 8.1.8. Approve Monarch School for Schoolwide Title I Status and Superintendent Munro provided the necessary information. Board Member Coonerty asked a clarifying question about Item 8.1.11.3.1 CSA: Educational Services/Special Education and the Superintendent pledged to get the information to Dr. Coonerty as soon as possible. Dr. Coonerty moved approval of the Consent Agenda, minus Item 8.1.5. Board Policy Updates, consisting of: Item 8.1.1. Personnel Actions – *Certificated;* Item 8.1.2. Personnel Actions – *Classified;* Item 8.1.3. Purchase Orders, Quotes and Bids; Item 8.1.4. Warrant Register; Item 8.1.6. Resolution 3-16-17 JPA Representatives; Item 8.1.7. Resolution 4-16-17 OPSC Representatives; Item 8.1.8. Approve Monarch School for Schoolwide Title I Status; Item 8.1.9. Out of State Field Trip; Item 8.1.10. Disposition of Surplus Property; Item 8.1.11.1. Contract: Bond Services Elementary District; Item 8.1.11.2. Contract: Bond Services High School District; Item 8.1.11.2.1. Contract: Palace Business Solutions; Item 8.1.11.2.2. Contract: Shoutpoint-emergency messaging software for Infinite Campus; Item 8.1.11.3.1. CSA: Educational Services/Special Education. Dr. 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 Threet – Yes

Thompson – Yes Tracy-Proulx – Yes Vestal – Yes

#### **Item 8.1.5. Board Policy Updates**

The Board of Education does not require any discussion of Board Policy 2121, Superintendent's Contract, and Board Bylaw 9321, Closed Session Purposes and Agendas. Regarding Board Bylaw 9322, Meeting Agenda and Meeting Materials, Ms. Threet reported that she does not support the new proposed language. Ms. Threet supports the original bylaw language that includes the Superintendent, the Board President, and a quarterly revolving Board Member. Board President Thompson understand the concerns regarding three members and supports the language being revised to include the Superintendent, the Board President, and the Board Vice President. Dr. Coonerty supports having less than 3 Board Members on the Committee, and is fine with the two Board Members being the President and Vice President to ensure that one of the two is ready to run the meeting. MSP (Coonerty/Tracy-Proulx) 5-2, the Board of Education approves the new language for Board Bylaw 9322 Meeting Agenda and Meeting Materials, including having the Agenda Committee comprised of the Superintendent, the Board President, and the Board Vice President. Ms. Threet and Mr. Shonick voted no.

#### 8.2 <u>Closed Session Actions</u>

## 8.2.1. Reporting Out on Closed Session Items

- 1. The Board heard information regarding the denied Interdistrict Transfer appeal for Student #1.
- 4. The Board heard information regarding Expulsions 16-15-16 and 17-15-16 and will be ready to vote on Expulsion 17-15-16 in Open Session.

#### 8.2.2. Public Vote on Expulsions

2. MSP (Vestal/Coonerty) 6-0-1, the Board approved Expulsion 17-15-16 as recommended by Mr. Wells. Board President Thompson recused herself from the vote on this matter.

The Trustees will return to Closed Session at the conclusion of the Open Session to discuss items 2.2., 2.3., 2.4., 2.5. and 2.6.

## ITEMS of BUSINESS to be TRANSACTED and/or DISCUSSED

# 8.3.1. Staff Report: Summer Professional Learning

Mr. Wells introduced Curriculum Co-Directors Wildman and Mekis, who reported to the Trustees about learning opportunities that were available to teachers during the summer break. The Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) Leadership Team offered one week of intensive, coach-led training focusing on NGSS shifts and content. The College Preparatory Math (CPM) Integrated Math 1 trainings were offered on multiple days by partnering with Pajaro USD. The GATES Foundation Grant funds secured by the Santa Cruz College Commitment (S4C) provided Common Core Math instructional strategies and techniques through trainings offered by the Silicon Valley Math Initiative (SVMI). Teachers Murphy, Martinez and Chaput provided specifics and details of the trainings. Questions and discussion among Board Members and Staff Members followed the presentation. The Trustees would enjoy hearing from students who have experienced new classroom techniques and instructional strategies. Superintendent Munro has currently scheduled site visits for the Trustees through January 2017, and asked the Board Members to let her know if particular classes and/or content areas are requested at individual sites. This report was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

## 8.3.2. Staff Report: Human Resources Update

Ms. Parks reported on the hiring cycle for certificated staff for our 2016-17 school year. Information included: recruitment data and recruitment techniques; working closely with UCSC on teacher education and interview panels; tracking, visiting and meeting student teachers; working closely with advisors from San Jose State and CalState Teach for placement opportunities; working with the Special Education Department at CSUMB for recruiting opportunities; the teamwork, responsiveness and welcoming environment in the Human Resources Department; next steps for the District to promote expanded recruitment and retention of exceptional teachers. GSCFT President Kirschen reported that the union is also very interested in recruitment and retention. The retirement incentive last year encouraged early reporting of vacancies and needs. The GSCFT would be interested in continuing discussions around retirement incentives and health benefits in 2016-17. This report was informational in nature, and no actions were taken by the Board of Education regarding this matter.

#### 8.3.3. New Business: Agreements for School Resource Officers 2016-17

Superintendent Munro reported that the MOU's that have been re-negotiated this year with great care and reflect current Education Code and best practices for collaboration with our local police and sheriff's departments in order to best protect and serve our students. Board Member Shonick wondered if Resource Officers (downtown SC) should be investigated for our schools. The Superintendent explained the importance of having an officer serve in this role. Superintendent Munro acknowledged Student Services Director Brown for her active participation in the MOU process. Board President Thompson reported that Youth Violence Prevention Task Forces across the county are currently promoting the relationships between law enforcement and youth as interventions to crime. MSP (Vestal/Tracy-Proulx) 7-0, the Board of Education approved the 2016-17 MOU's with the Santa Cruz Police Department and the Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Department as submitted by the Superintendent.

## 9. Adjournment of Open Session

There being no further Open Session business to come before the Trustees, Board President Thompson adjourned this Open Session of the Regular Meeting at 8:40 p.m.

\*\*Note: Board Member Shonick left the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

# 10. Return to Closed Session

The Trustees returned to Closed Session at 8:41 p.m.

## 11. Reconvene Open Session

Board President Thompson reconvened the Open Session at 9:25 p.m.

## 12. <u>Closed Session Actions Report</u>

- 2. The Board took action on Certificated, Classified and Management leaves, retirements, resignations and appointments.
- 3. The matter of the Public Employee Discipline/ Dismissal/Release/Complaint was removed from the Closed Session discussion as it was no longer necessary.
- 4. The Trustees continued discussion on Expulsion 16-15-16 in order to conduct the required vote on this matter.
- 5. The Board heard an update from and provided direction to Ms. Parks regarding negotiations with the SCCCE.
- 6. The Board heard information regarding Superintendent Munro's annual goals and objectives and provided direction.

## 8.2.2. Public Vote on Expulsions (continued)

1. MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Vestal) 5-1, the Board approved Expulsion 16-15-16 as recommended by Mr. Wells. Board President Thompson voted no on this matter.

## 13. Adjournment

There being no further Closed Session business to come before the Trustees, Board President Thompson adjourned this Closed Session of the Regular Meeting at 9:28 p.m.

## **Board Meeting Schedule Information**

- 1. The Regular Meeting on September 14, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in The County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 2. The Regular Meeting on September 28, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in The County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 3. The Regular Meeting on October 19, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in The County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 4. The Regular Meeting on October 26, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in The County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 5. The Regular Meeting on November 9, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in The County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 6. The Regular Meeting/Board Study Session on November 16, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
- 7. The Regular Meeting/Board Study Session on December 7, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.

- 8. The Regular Meeting on December 14, 2016, 6:30 p.m., will be held in The County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 9. The Regular Meeting on January 18, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 10. The Regular Meeting/Board Study Session on January 25, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
- 11. The Regular Meeting on February 1, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 12. The Regular Meeting on February 15, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 13. The Regular Meeting on March 8, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 14. The Regular Meeting on March 29, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 15. The Regular Meeting on April 19, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 16. The Regular Meeting/Board Study Session on April 26, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
- 17. The Regular Meeting on May 10, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 18. The Regular Meeting/Governance Session on May 31, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
- 19. The Regular Meeting on June 14, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- 20. The Regular Meeting on June 28, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
- For more details about this meeting, please visit our district website and listen to the meeting recording:

http://www.sccs.santacruz.k12.ca.us/about-us/board-of-education/agendas-a-minutes.html

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent Santa Cruz City Schools Alisun Thompson, President Board of Education