Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday May 21, 2020
Open Session 4:00 P.M.
Held by Videoconference Only

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AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Sue Roth (President), Jane Royer Barr, Rose Filicetti, Sandra Nichols, Dana Sales, Abel Sanchez, Bruce Van Allen
Faris Sabbah, Secretary

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Superintendent Sabbah (Secretary) will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda deletions and/or changes of sequence will be approved or the agenda will be approved as submitted.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

This is an opportunity for the public to address the Board regarding items not on the agenda. The Board President will recognize any member of the audience not previously placed on the agenda who wishes to speak on a matter directly related to school business. Each speaker, on any specific topic, may speak up three (3) minutes unless otherwise limited or extended by the President. The President may allot time to those wishing to speak but no action will be taken on matters presented (EDC § 35145.5). If appropriate, the President, or any Member of the Board, may direct that a matter be referred to the Superintendent’s Office for placement on a future agenda. Please refer to item, Please Note, on the last item of this agenda.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

All items appearing on the consent agenda are recommended actions which are considered to be routine in nature and will be acted upon as one motion. Specific items may be removed for separate consideration. Item(s) removed will be considered immediately following the consent agenda motion as Deferred Consent Items.

5.0.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 16, 2020
5.0.2 Routine Budget Revisions
5.0.3 Surplus Items

5.1 DEFERRED CONSENT ITEMS (if required)

This item is placed on the agenda to address any items that might be pulled from Agenda Item 5.0 for further discussion/consideration if so determined.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

Official correspondence received by the Board is included herein.
7. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

7.1 Oasis Student Recognitions

Students from Oasis High School will be recognized for their outstanding performance throughout the 2019-2020 School Year.

Presenters: John Rice, Senior Director, Alternative Education  
Jeffrey Matlock, Teacher, Oasis High School

7.2 Educator of the Year Awards

Each year, the Santa Cruz County Board of Education celebrates the accomplishments of teachers, classified employees, administrators, and counselors. Award recipients are nominated by their peers and will be awarded a plaque of outstanding achievement by Superintendent Sabbah.

Award Recipients: Shanti Blanck, Classified Employee of the Year, SCCS  
Laura Denny, Teacher of the Year, SLVUSD  
Nancy Puente, Counselor of the Year, PVUSD  
Greg Stein, Administrator of the Year, LOSD

Presenters: Debi Bodenheimer, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services  
Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

7.3 Retirement Recognitions

The Board will recognize the important contributions of the following Santa Cruz County Office of Education employees who are planning to retire in the 2019-2020 school year.

Retirees: Camy Ditter, Teacher, Alternative Education  
Mary Hart, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services  
Stephanie Sommer-Kass, Senior Instructional Aide, Special Education

Presenters: Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

7.4 Public Hearing regarding REVISED PCS Petition for Material Revision

The Board shall hold a public hearing to consider the level of support for a revised request for a material revision to Pacific Collegiate Charter School that would add a 6th grade program (or, a 6th grade “pilot program”) by teachers employed by the school district, other employees of the school district, parents, and members of the public. The revised Petition for Material Revision was received by the Santa Cruz County Office of Education on April, 16th 2020. The Board will consider approval or denial of the petition at the regular June meeting of the Santa Cruz County Board of Education.

Open, Conduct, & Close the Public Hearing: Sue Roth (President)
7.5 **Public Hearing regarding Conversion of Cypress Charter High School into a Alternative Education Community School**

The Board shall hold a public hearing to consider the level of support for the conversion of Cypress Charter High School into an alternative education community school by teachers employed by the school district, other employees of the school district, parents, and members of the public. The Board will consider approval or denial of the request to convert Cypress Charter High School into a community school at the regular June meeting of the Santa Cruz County Board of Education.

Open, Conduct, & Close the Public Hearing: Sue Roth (President)

7.6 **COVID-19 Update**

Santa Cruz County Office of Education has been working in collaboration with the Santa Cruz County Health Services agency and school districts to prepare for and respond to the outbreak of COVID-19 in our community. The Board will receive an update on the ways in which the Santa Cruz County Office of Education has been working to respond to the COVID-19 crisis. The presentation will also include the anticipated impacts of COVID-19 on funding for California public schools.

Presenter: Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

7.7 **Labor Negotiations - “Sunshine” the County Superintendent of Schools 2020-2021 Initial Negotiations Proposal to the Classified Employees Bargaining Unit (CSEA)**

The designated representative of the County Superintendent of Schools will sunshine the Superintendent’s 2020-2021 initial negotiations proposal to the Classified Employees Bargaining Unit, CSEA.

Presenter: John Armstrong, Director, Alternative Education

7.8 **Actuarial Study of Retiree Health Liabilities**

The Board will receive a report of the Actuarial Study of Retiree Health Benefits, as is required every two years in compliance with GASB43/45.

Presenter: Rebecca Olker, Senior Director, Fiscal Services

8. **PUBLIC HEARINGS, NEW BUSINESS, AND ACTION ITEMS**

8.1 **Interdistrict Transfer Appeal #20-02**

The Board will hold an Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing concerning a student wishing to attend school in the Scotts Valley Unified School District.

Open, Conduct, & Close the Public Hearing: Sue Roth (President)
8.2 **Cancel Previously Scheduled June 25, 2020 Special Board Meeting**

Due to COVID-19, the deadline for submitting the LCAP has been extended to December 15, 2020, negating the requirement to have a special meeting in June. The Board will be asked to cancel the previously scheduled June 25, 2020 special meeting of the Santa Cruz County Board of Education.

**Presenter:** Mary Hart, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services

**Motion:** Sue Roth (President)

9. **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

County Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Faris M. Sabbah, will provide an update on activities and matters of interest.

10. **TRUSTEE REPORTS (3 minutes each)**

Trustees will report on matters, events, and activities as related to Board goals of: Advocating for students, maintaining community relations, and promoting student achievement.

11. **AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS (if any)**

12. **SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND COMING EVENTS**

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Meeting (Virtual)
June 18, 2020
4:00 p.m.

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Special Meeting (Virtual)
June 25, 2020
4:00 p.m.

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Meeting (Virtual)
July 16, 2020
4:00 p.m.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board President will adjourn the meeting.
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