Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday August 20, 2020
Open Session 4:00 P.M.
Held by Videoconference Only

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REVISED 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 July 16, 2020  
5.0.2 Routine Budget Revisions  
5.0.3 Alternative Education Consolidated Application  
5.0.4 Letter Appointing Liann Reyes as Authorized Signer for COE Bay Federal Accounts

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 **COVID-19 and School Reopening 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
7.2 **Admin Kick Off Update**

This year the annual Administrators’ Kickoff for Santa Cruz County administrators was held via Zoom on August 5th, from 9-11:30 AM. Almost 200 people attended, to hear the keynote speaker, Dr. Victor Rios from UC Santa Barbara, and a student panel of 10 students from Santa Cruz County high schools. The focus was on equity, anti-racism, and developing connections during a time of distance learning. The session was recorded, and follow up will include reaching out to the students for follow up on their views of how to best support students during this time. Debi Bodenheimer will give a brief presentation about this event to the Board.

Presenter: Debi Bodenheimer, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

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7.3 **Santa Cruz COE Arts Update**

Audrey Sirota will provide the Board with an update about Professional Development opportunities for teachers in the Arts including the Arts Integration Institute and ongoing, weekly teacher meetings in the Arts disciplines during this time of Distance Learning. The Arts are deemed as core curriculum by the Every Student Succeeds Act. The Arts are essential for developing the whole child in using the 4 C’s: Communication, Collaboration, Critical Thinking, and Creativity. In our Strategic Plan, Strategic Priority 1, states we aspire "to increase student access to ongoing, standards-based programs in the Arts." In this time of COVID, the Arts are also essential in supporting students in their academic as well as social and emotional learning.

Presenter: Audrey Sirota, Arts Coordinator, Santa Cruz COE

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7.4 **Countywide Virtual Math Camp**

In July, the Santa Cruz COE, working with DeLaveaga teacher Isaí Baltézar and 4 interns from UCSC’s Cal Teach program, organized the first-ever "Virtual Math Camp" for twenty-six 6th grade students in our county. During the week, students engaged synchronously for 75 minutes each morning and asynchronously for 45 minutes each afternoon to have fun doing math problems, use math content and practices, use math to explore equity and social justice, strengthen the power and identity of young mathematicians, and make friends virtually. The camp also served as a learning lab for educators. Survey data from the event indicated that it had a significant impact on students’ growth mindset.

Presenter: Kevin Drinkard, Math Coordinator, Santa Cruz COE

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

8.1 **Public Disclosure: CSEA Collective Bargaining Agreement**

Government Code Section 3547.5 requires that before a public school employer enters into a written agreement with an exclusive representative, the major provisions of the agreement shall be disclosed in a public meeting.

Presenter: Liann Reyes, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services
8.2 First Reading: Board Policies (BP)

Modification and new policies may be adopted by the County Board of Education following a first and second reading by the Board. The Board may accept the following proposed policy(ies) as submitted and waive a second reading and move to take action, order changes, or order changes and bring back for a final reading:

BP 0450 Comprehensive Safety Plan
BP 1112 Media Relations
BP 1113 Santa Cruz COE and School Websites
BP 1114 Santa Cruz COE-Sponsored Social Media
BP 3290 Gifts, Grants, and Bequests
BP 3550 Food Service/Child Nutrition Program
BP 3551 Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund
BP 3553 Free and Reduced Price Meals
BP 3555 Nutrition Program Compliance
BB 9010 Public Statements
BB 9323 Meeting Conduct

Presenter: Trustee Filicetti, Board Policy Committee

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 AND CSBA/CCBE REPORTS (if any)

11.1 California County Boards of Education (CCBE) Report

Trustee Filicetti, California School Boards Association Region 9 Delegate, will provide the Board with an update with information and new updates pertaining to CSBE and California County Boards of Education (CCBE).

Presenter: Trustee Rose Filicetti

11.2 CO&L Updates

The committee will update the Board on recent and upcoming legislative policy changes.

Presenter: Trustee Bruce Van Allen
12. **SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND COMING EVENTS**

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Board Budget Workshop and Special Meeting (Virtual)
September 10, 2020
3:00 p.m.

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Meeting (Virtual)
September 17, 2020
4:00 p.m.

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Meeting (Virtual)
October 15, 2020
4:00 p.m.

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Meeting (Virtual)
November 19, 2020
4:00 p.m.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board President will adjourn the meeting.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Public Participation:**

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