Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday September 17, 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 August 20, 2020
   5.0.2 Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of September 10, 2020
   5.0.3 Routine Budget Revisions
   5.0.4 Donations

   **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, CZU Fire, 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 an update on the CZU Lightning complex fire and explain the ways in which the Santa Cruz County Office of Education is supporting students, families, and school staff countywide who have been impacted by the CZU Lightning Complex Fire.

   Presenter: Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools
7.2 **2019-2020 Unaudited Closing Financial Statement**

The Board is requested to review information from the annual closing financial reporting document filed with the California Department of Education.

Presenter: Liann Reyes, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

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

8.1 **Personnel Commission Vacancy: Appointment of Nominee**

The Board will be informed of nominees for the appointment as the Board’s appointee to the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Personnel Commission and will publicly announce the intended appointee to fill a vacancy that will exist December 1, 2020. (E.C. 45246(b)).

Presenter: Troy Cope, Senior Director, Human Resources

Motion & Vote: Sue Roth (President)

8.2 **Resolution #20-25 In Recognition of Suicide Prevention**

September is nationally recognized as Suicide Prevention month. Michael Paynter, Senior Director of Student Support Services, will give a presentation highlighting Santa Cruz County Office of Education and community initiatives to support the mental and emotional health of students in Santa Cruz County. Following the presentation, the Board will be asked to adopt Resolution #20-25 in Support of National Suicide Prevention Month.

Presenter: Michael Paynter, Senior Director, Santa Cruz COE

Motion & Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

8.3 **Public Hearing: Sufficiency of Instructional Materials**

Pursuant to Education Code Section 60119(1)(A), the Board shall hold a public hearing that provides an opportunity for public input regarding the Sufficiency of Instructional Materials to be used by the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Alternative Student Programs during the 2020-2021 school year.

Presenter: John Rice, Senior Director, Alternative Education

Open, Conduct & Close Public Hearing: Sue Roth (President)
8.4 **Adopt Resolution #20-26: Sufficiency of Instructional Materials**

In order to be eligible to receive instructional materials funding, the governing board is required to hold a public hearing and adopt a resolution stating whether or not each pupil in the Santa Cruz County Office of Education programs has sufficient standards aligned textbooks and/or instructional materials in specified subjects pursuant to Education Code Section 60605 et. seq. The Board will be asked to Adopt Resolution #20-26 for this purpose.

**Presenter:** John Rice, Senior Director, Alternative Education

**Motion & Roll Call Vote:** Sue Roth (President)

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8.5 **Approve the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Learning Continuity Plan**

The Board will be asked to approve the Santa Cruz County Office of Education’s Learning Continuity Plan. The Learning Continuity Plan template memorializes the planning process already underway for the 2020–21 school year and includes descriptions of the following: conducting meaningful stakeholder engagement; maintaining transparency; addressing the needs of unduplicated pupils, students with unique needs, and students experiencing homelessness; providing access to necessary devices and connectivity for distance learning; providing resources and supports to address student and staff mental health and social emotional well-being; and continuing to provide school meals for students.

**Presenter:** Jennifer Izant-Gonzales, Project Director, Alternative Education

**Motion & Vote:** Sue Roth (President)

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8.6 **Approve the Santa Cruz County Career Advancement Charter Learning Continuity Plan**

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**Presenter:** Denise Sanson, Senior Director, Student Programs

**Motion:** Sue Roth (President)
8.7 **Resolution #20-27 In Recognition of LGBTQ+ History Month**

The Board will consider adopting a resolution recognizing the important contributions of local, State, and National LGBTQ+ people to the history of the United States by promoting justice, enhancing health and well-being, and building a sense of community for LGBTQ+ people and designates October as a time to celebrate their accomplishments and encourages teachers to teach lessons about LGBTQ+ history in their classrooms.

**Presenter:** Bruce Van Allen, Community Outreach & Legislative Committee

**Motion & Roll Call Vote:** Sue Roth (President)

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8.8 **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 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

**Presenter:** Trustee Filicetti, Board Policy Committee

**Motion:** Sue Roth (President)

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9. **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

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

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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 CSBA and California County Boards of Education (CCBE).

**Presenter:** Trustee Rose Filicetti

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

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.

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Meeting (Virtual)
December 10, 2020
4:00 p.m.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board President will adjourn the meeting.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Public Participation:**

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