Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday September 16, 2021
Open Session 4:00PM
Held by Videoconference Only

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AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM
   Rose Filicetti (President), Ed Acosta, Alyssa Alto, Sandra Nichols, Sue Roth, 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 to **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 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 held on August 19, 2021
   5.0.2 Routine Budget Revisions

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 School Update**
   Superintendent Sabbah will give a presentation regarding the ways in which the Santa Cruz County Office of Education has been working in collaboration with School Districts and other partners to support students and families during the COVID-19 Pandemic.

     **Presenter(s):** Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools
7.2 **Guidance on Returning to In-Person Board Meetings**
The executive order allowing for the flexibility of public meetings under the Brown Act expires September 30, 2021. The Board will be presented with the guidelines for returning to in-person Board Meetings, safely and orderly.

Presenter(s): Rose Filicetti, President, County Board of Education  
Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

7.3 **2020-2021 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(s): Liann Reyes, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services

7.4 **2020 Census**
The Board will receive a presentation on the demographic changes of the 2020 Census and the role of the County Board of Education in the Census process.

Presenter(s): Justin Rich, Cooperative Strategies

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

8.1 **Personnel Commission Vacancy: Appointment of Nominee**
The Board will be informed of the nominee for the appointment as the joint-appointee to the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Personnel Commission, Lynn Miller, and will publicly announce the intended appointee to fill a vacancy that will exist on December 1, 2021. (Merit Rule 2.102 B).

Presenter(s): Troy Cope, Executive Director, Human Resources

Motion & Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti (President)

8.2 **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 2021-2022 school year.

Presenter(s): John Rice, Senior Director, Alternative Education

Open, Conduct & Close Public Hearing: Rose Filicetti (President)
8.3 **Adopt Resolution #21-13: 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 is asked to adopt Resolution #21-13 for this purpose.

Presenter(s): John Rice, Senior Director, Alternative Education

Motion & Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti (President)

8.4 **Adopt Resolution #21-14: In Support of a School Community Recovering From Tragedy**

The Santa Cruz County Board of Education extends an unconditional offer of support to Aptos High School and Pajaro Valley Unified School District, and fully commits itself to taking all necessary steps to evaluate existing policies and procedures to ensure school campuses are places of the utmost physical and emotional security. The Board is asked to adopt Resolution #21-14.

Presenter(s): Sandra Nichols, Chair, Community Outreach and Legislation Committee

Motion & Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti (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 UPCOMING EVENTS**
Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Meeting (Virtual)
September 16, 2021
4:00 p.m.

Santa Cruz County Office of Education’s Environmental Equity Event
Virtual Meeting
September 28, 2021
6:00 p.m.

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Meeting (In Person)
October 21, 2021
4:00 p.m.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**
The Board President will adjourn the meeting.
PLEASE NOTE:

Public Participation:

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