



**Santa Cruz County Board of Education**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Thursday June 18, 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 May 21, 2020
- 5.0.2 Routine Budget Revisions
- 5.0.3 Donations
- 5.0.4 Approval of the North Santa Cruz County SELPA Local Plan

#### **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 Civic Summit: Student Recognition**

The Board will recognize two students who won the “It Ought To Be A Law” competition that took place at the 2020 Santa Cruz County Civic Summit.

Presenters: Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent  
Celeste Gutierrez, Student Leadership & Engagement Coordinator

**7.2 Census Art Contest Award**

The Board will recognize a student for their winning design in the Santa Cruz County Office of Education’s 2020 Census Art Contest.

Presenters: Dr. Michael Paynter, Senior Director, Student Support Services  
Sarah Ferguson, Coordinator, Santa Cruz County Census

**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: Julia Chiapella, Director, Young Writers Program  
Mark Hodges, Senior Director, CTEP  
Lauren Leff, Teacher of the Orthopedically Impaired, Special Education  
Rayona Mullen Staniec, Medical Assisting Program Instructor, CTEP  
Leta Vandenheuvel, Teacher, Alternative Education

Presenters: Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

**7.4 ACSA Awards**

The Board will recognize Dr. Michael Paynter, Senior Director of Student Support Services, and Jessica Little, Senior Director of SELPA, for their awards as Administrators of the Year by the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA).

Presenter: Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

**7.5 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

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

**8.1 Revised PCS Petition for Material Revision**

The Board will be asked to either approve (Resolution #20-13) or deny (Resolution #20-14) the revised Petition for a Material Revision to Pacific Collegiate Charter School.

Presenter: Debi Bodenheimer, Associate Superintendent

Motion &  
Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**8.2 Request to Convert Cypress Charter High School into a Countywide Alternative Education Community School (Resolution #20-15)**

The Board will be asked to consider approving Resolution #20-15 to approve the request to convert Santa Cruz County Cypress Charter High School into a countywide Alternative Education Community School.

Presenter: Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

Motion &  
Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**8.3 Court & Community COVID-19 Written Report**

It is recommended that the Board adopt the COE Court and Community School COVID-19 Written Report. The EO N-26-20 states the form will report at a minimum, a description of how the LEA is meeting the needs of unduplicated pupils, defined consistent with Ed Code 42238.02(b)(1), during the period of school closures specifically how the LEA continued delivering high quality distance learning opportunities, provided school meals, and to the extent practicable, arrange for the supervision of students during ordinary school hours.

Presenter: Jennifer Izant Gonzales, Project Director, Alternative Education

Motion &  
Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**8.4 CAC COVID-19 Written Report**

It is recommended that the Board adopt the CAC COVID-19 Written Report. The EO N-26-20 states the form will report at a minimum, a description of how the LEA is meeting the needs of unduplicated pupils, defined consistent with Ed Code 42238.02(b)(1), during the period of school closures specifically how the LEA continued delivering high quality distance learning opportunities, provided school meals, and to the extent practicable, arrange for the supervision of students during ordinary school hours.

Presenter: Jenny Russell, Principal Teacher, Career Advancement Charter

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**8.5 Cypress COVID-19 Written Report**

It is recommended that the Board adopt the Cypress High School COVID-19 Written Report. The EO N-26-20 states the form will report at a minimum, a description of how the LEA is meeting the needs of unduplicated pupils, defined consistent with Ed Code 42238.02(b)(1), during the period of school closures specifically how the LEA continued delivering high quality distance learning opportunities, provided school meals, and to the extent practicable, arrange for the supervision of students during ordinary school hours.

Presenter: Megan Tresham, Principal, Cypress High School

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**8.6 Approve Resolution #20-16 in Support of Prop 30 and 55, Education Protection Funds Act (Santa Cruz County Office of Education)**

It is recommended that the Board adopt Resolution #20-16 to approve usage of the funds made available from Proposition 30 and Proposition 55 for educational expenditures within the County Office of Education's budgets.

Presenter: Rebecca Olker, Interim Deputy Superintendent, Business Services

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**8.7 Approve Resolution #20-17 in Support of Prop 30 and 55, Education Protection Funds Act (Career Advancement Charter)**

It is recommended that the Board adopt Resolution #20-17 to approve usage of the funds made available from Proposition 30 and Proposition 55 for educational expenditures within the County Office of Education's budgets.

Presenter: Rebecca Olker, Interim Deputy Superintendent, Business Services

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**8.8 Approve Resolution #20-18 in Support of Prop 30 and 55, Education Protection Funds Act (Cypress Charter High School)**

It is recommended that the Board adopt Resolution #20-18 to approve usage of the funds made available from Proposition 30 and Proposition 55 for educational expenditures within the County Office of Education's budgets.

Presenter: Rebecca Olker, Interim Deputy Superintendent, Business Services

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**8.9 Resolution #20-19 in Support of Equity and Anti-Racism in Schools**

The board will be asked to consider adoption of Resolution #20-19 in Support of Equity and Anti-Racism in Schools in recognition of the historic, systemic violence and discrimination experienced by Black communities and all communities of color. This resolution would support the Santa Cruz County Office of Education's efforts to develop equitable educational policies and practices that help disrupt the structures of racism in schools.

Presenter: Trustee Van Allen, Community Outreach & Legislative Committee

**8.10 Resolution #20-20 In Support of Protection of State Education Funding**

The Board will be asked to consider adoption of Resolution #20-20 in support of the protection of California funding for public schools in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Presenter: Trustee Filicetti, Community Outreach & Legislative Committee

**8.11 Resolution #20-21 In Support of Protection of Federal Education Funding**

The Board will be asked to consider adoption of Resolution #20-21 in support of the protection of federal funding for public schools in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Presenter: Trustee Filicetti, Community Outreach & Legislative Committee

**8.12 PUBLIC HEARING Adopt Santa Cruz County Office of Education 2020-2021 Budget**

The Board will conduct a public hearing to solicit recommendations and comments from members of the public regarding the Santa Cruz County Office of Education's 2020 - 2021 Budget.

Presenters: Rebecca Olker, Interim Deputy Superintendent, Business Services

Open, Conduct,  
& Close hearing: Sue Roth (President)

**8.13 Approval of 2020-2021 Budget**

Following a Public Hearing held on June 18, 2020 to solicit recommendation and comments from members of the public regarding the Santa Cruz County Office of Education's 2020 - 2021 Budget, it is requested that the Board adopt the Budget as presented.

Presenters: Rebecca Olker, Interim Deputy Superintendent, Business Services  
Jean Gardner, Interim Senior Director, Business Services  
Melissa Lopez, Director, Fiscal Services

**8.14 Schedule Special June 25th Meeting**

The Board may schedule a Special Board Meeting on June 25, 2020, to comply with Education Code 52062(b)(2), to consider the adoption of the 2020-2021 annual budget.

Presenter: Rebecca Olker, Interim Deputy Superintendent, Business Services

Motion &  
Roll Call Vote: 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)**

**11.1 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  
Regular Meeting (Virtual)  
July 16, 2020  
4:00 p.m.

Santa Cruz County Board of Education  
Regular Meeting (Virtual)  
August 20, 2020  
4:00 p.m.

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

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The Board President will adjourn the meeting.

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