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Ms. Jane Royer Barr ● Ms. Rose Filicetti ● Ms. Sandra Nichols ● Ms. Sue Roth ● Mr. Dana Sales
Mr. Abel Sanchez ● Mr. Bruce Van Allen

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday October 15, 2020
Open Session 4:00 p.m.
VIRTUAL Meeting hosted from the Board Room

APPROVED MINUTES

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

Board Present (via videoconference)

Jane Royer Barr
Rose Filicetti (Vice President)
Sandra Nichols
Abel Sanchez
Bruce Van Allen
Dana Sales
Sue Roth (President)

Staff Present (via videoconference)

Faris Sabbah (Secretary)
Debi Bodenheimer
Sage Leibenson
Liann Reyes
Rebecca Olker

Absent

None.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Superintendent Sabbah (Secretary) led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A call for a motion was made to make agenda deletions and/or changes of sequence, or approve the agenda as submitted.

It was M.S.C. (Sales/Barr) to approve the agenda as submitted.

Ayes: Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Sales, Sanchez, Roth
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Van Allen

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made.

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 Special Board Meeting of September 17, 2020
- 5.0.2 Routine Budget Revisions
- 5.0.3 Donations

Trustee Barr expressed appreciation for the donations received this month.

It was M.S.C. (Barr/Nichols) to approve the consent agenda as submitted.

Ayes: Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Sales, Sanchez, Roth
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Van Allen

5.1 Deferred Consent Items (if required)

None.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

No new correspondence was received in addition to what was included in the Board packet.

Trustee Van Allen joined the meeting at 4:08 p.m.

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7. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

7.1 COVID-19, CZU Fire, and School Reopening Update

Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools, provided a presentation to the Board regarding the ways in which the 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 presentation also included an update on the CZU Lightning complex fire and explained 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 as fire cleanup takes place and distance learning programs resume.

The Board asked staff a number of clarifying questions.

7.2 Summary of Support for School Districts

Associate Superintendent of Educational Services, Debi Boheneimer and Superintendent Sabbah gave a presentation in accordance with Education Code § 52066(i), in which the County Superintendent of Schools must prepare an annual summary of how the County Superintendent of Schools plans to support school districts and schools within the county

The Board asked a number of clarifying questions.

7.3 Outdoor Science Schoolyard Childcare Program Report

Heather Molloy, Director of Outdoor Science School at the Santa Cruz COE, gave a presentation about the new Outdoor Science Schoolyard Childcare Program which is currently providing in-person outdoor childcare to a limited number of youth in compliance with all safety protocols required to minimize the risk of COVID-19. This program is a partnership between the Santa Cruz County Office of Education and the Santa Cruz City School District.

The Board asked Ms. Molloy a number of clarifying questions.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS, NEW BUSINESS, AND ACTION ITEMS

8.1 Personnel Commission Vacancy: Appointment of Nominee

Superintendent Sabbah informed the Board that Larry Lane has been designated the nominee for the appointment to the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Personnel Commission and announced the intended appointee would fill a vacancy that will exist December 1, 2020. (E.C. 45246(b)).

It was M.S.C. (Barr/Filicetti) to approve Larry Lane as the intended Board appointee to the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Personnel Commission.

Ayes:	Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Sales, Sanchez, Van Allen, Roth
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

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8.2 School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for the Santa Cruz COE Alternative Education Community Schools

California Education Code § 64001(i) requires that the [School Plan for Student Achievement] shall be reviewed and approved by the governing board or body of the local educational agency at a regularly scheduled meeting whenever there are material changes that affect the academic program for pupils covered by programs identified in this part. Jennifer Izant-Gonzales, Alternative Education Project Director, asked the Board to approve this item and answered a number of clarifying questions from the Board.

It was M.S.C. (Sales/Nichols) to approve the SPSA for Santa Cruz COE Alternative Education Community Schools.

Ayes: Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Sales, Sanchez, Van Allen, Roth
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None.

8.3 School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for the Santa Cruz COE Alternative Education Court Schools

California Education Code § 64001(i) requires that the [School Plan for Student Achievement] shall be reviewed and approved by the governing board or body of the local educational agency at a regularly scheduled meeting whenever there are material changes that affect the academic program for pupils covered by programs identified in this part. Jennifer Izant-Gonzales, Alternative Education Project Director, asked the Board to approve this item and answered a number of clarifying questions from the Board.

It was M.S.C. (Sales/Filicetti) to approve the SPSA for Santa Cruz COE Alternative Education Court Schools.

Ayes: Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Sales, Sanchez, Van Allen, Roth
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None.

8.4 School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for the Santa Cruz COE Career Advancement Charter School (CAC)

California Education Code § 64001(i) requires that the [School Plan for Student Achievement] shall be reviewed and approved by the governing board or body of the local educational agency at a regularly scheduled meeting whenever there are material changes that affect the academic program for pupils covered by programs identified in this part. Denise Sanson, Senior Director of Student Programs, asked the Board to approve this item and answered clarifying questions from the Board.

It was M.S.C. (Sales/Barr) to approve the SPSA for Santa Cruz County Career Advancement Charter School (CAC).

Ayes: Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Sales, Sanchez, Van Allen, Roth
Nays: None
Abstain: None

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Absent: None

8.5 Resolution #20-28 to Update The Representative With The Office of Public School Construction (OPSC) and the Division of the State Architect (DSA) For the Santa Cruz COE

The retirement of the Director of Maintenance and Operations for the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, George Lopez, will require his removal with the OPSC and DSA. The Board was asked to approve the removal of George Lopez and name Liann Reyes, Deputy Superintendent of Business Services, as the COE's representative for the OPSC and DSA.

It was M.S.C. (Filicetti/Van Allen) to approve Resolution #20-28 to update the representative with the Office of Public School Construction (OPSC) and the Division of the State Architect (DSA) for the Santa Cruz COE.

Ayes: Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Sales, Sanchez, Van Allen, Roth
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

8.6 Resolution #20-29 Regarding Gann Amendment Appropriations Limit

The Gann Amendment (Proposition 4, 1979) limits the growth in appropriations made by the State of California, school districts, and local governments. All local education areas are required to adopt Gann Appropriations Limits each year by Board Resolution.

It was M.S.C. (Filicetti/Nichols) to approve Resolution #20-29 Regarding the Gann Amendment Appropriations Limit.

Ayes: Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Sales, Sanchez, Van Allen, Roth
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

8.7 Schedule Special Board Meeting on November 5th for A Board Budget Workshop

The Board was asked to consider scheduling a special meeting on November 5, 2020 at 3:00pm to participate in a Santa Cruz COE budget workshop with COE Staff.

It was M.S.C. (Sales/Nichols) to schedule a Special Board Meeting on November 5, 2020 at 3:00pm.

Ayes: Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Sales, Sanchez, Van Allen, Roth
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

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8.8 First Reading: Board Policies (BP)

Modified 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 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures
- BP 5145.3 Nondiscrimination/Harassment
- BP 5145.7 Student Sexual and Gender-Based Harassment

It was requested that staff correct a grammatical typo in paragraph 3 of BP 1312.3.

It was M.S.C. (Van Allen/Roth) to approve and waive the second reading of BP 1312.3, BP 5145.3, and BP 5145.7 following the requested grammatical corrections by staff to BP 1312.3.

Ayes: Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Sales, Sanchez, Van Allen, Roth
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

8.9 Reschedule Regular December Meeting of the Santa Cruz County Board Education to December 17th

Pursuant to California Education Code § 35143, the organizational meeting of the Board must take place between December 15th and January 14th. The Board was asked to reschedule the Regular December meeting to December 17th, 2020 at 4:00pm to comply with this requirement.

It was M.S.C. (Barr/Filicetti) to reschedule the regular December meeting to December 17 at 4:00 p.m.

Ayes: Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Sales, Sanchez, Van Allen, Roth
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

8.10 Schedule Special December 10th Meeting of the Santa Cruz County Board of Education

The deadline to submit the Budget Overview for Parents, a component of the Budget Overview for Parents, is due on December 15, 2020. In order to accommodate this deadline, the Board was asked to schedule a special December meeting of the board on December 10 th at 3:00 p.m.

It was M.S.C. (Filicetti/Salesi) to schedule a special meeting for December 10th at 3:00 p.m.

Ayes: Barr, Filicetti, Nichols, Sales, Sanchez, Van Allen, Roth
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

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9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

10. TRUSTEE REPORTS (3 minutes each)

Trustee Nichols has been working on campaigning for re-election and served as a guest speaker at the Santa Cruz COE LGBTQ+ History Month Kick Off event.

Trustee Barr attended a meeting of the Agenda Committee.

Trustee Sanchez congratulated San Lorenzo Valley Elementary School for being recognized this year as a California Blue Ribbon School.

Trustee Roth attended the Santa Cruz COE LGBTQ+ History Month Kick Off and attended virtual events hosted by UCSC regarding the upcoming general election.

Trustee Van Allen served as a guest speaker at the Santa Cruz COE LGBTQ+ History Month Kick Off event.

Trustee Filicetti attended two meetings of the Santa Cruz Operational COVID-19 briefing, a meeting of the Santa Cruz County Board of Education agenda committee, the Santa Cruz COE LGBTQ+ History Month Kick Off, the 23rd Annual (Virtual) Queer Youth Leadership Awards (QYLA), and CSUMB's President's Speaker Series election-year special event titled "Truth, Fiction, and Alternative Facts". She also attended other community events regarding the upcoming general election.

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

11.1 California County Boards of Education (CCBE) Report

Trustee Filicetti, California School Boards Association Region 9 Delegate, provided the Board with information and updates pertaining to CSBA and California County Boards of Education (CCBE).

This month's update included the appointment of Roger Snyder, Scotts Valley USD Board President, to the Region 9 Delegate Assembly and informed the Board that the next opportunity to vote for a seat in this assembly will be December 2020. Trustee Filicetti's update also included that CSBA President, Xilonin Cruz-Gonzales will be present at the upcoming Region 9 meeting, and the the CSBA Annual Education Conference will take place in December 2020.

11.2 Community Outreach & Legislative Committee Update

Trustee Nichols shared an update regarding the Senate Bill 98 known as the Education Budget Trailer Bill that was signed into law in June 2020 and how it relates to distance learning for K-12 schools.

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12. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND COMING EVENTS

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

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Board President adjourned the meeting at 6:10 pm.

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