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Ms. Sue Roth • Mr. Abel Sanchez • Mr. Bruce Van Allen

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday October 21, 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 September 16, 2021

5.0.2 Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on September 30, 2021

5.0.3 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 2020 Census

The Board will receive a presentation on the evaluation of existing voting areas and receive input on potential adjustments.

Presenter(s): Liann Reyes, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services
Justin Rich, Executive Director, Cooperative Strategies

7.2 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 keep schools open and students and staff healthy.

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

7.3 Review of LCAP Process

The County Board will receive a presentation reviewing the LCAP approval process and be presented with minor clarifications and edits made to this year's 2021-2022 LCAP. Additionally, upcoming changes to the LCAP template will be discussed.

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Jennifer Izant Gonzales, Director, Alternative Education

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS, NEW BUSINESS, AND ACTION ITEMS

8.1 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief III (ESSER III) Expenditure Plan

LEAs that receive ESSER III funds are required to develop a plan for how they will use ESSER III funds to, at a minimum, address students' academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs, as well as the opportunity gaps that existed before, and were exacerbated by, the COVID-19 pandemic. The plan must be adopted by the local governing board or body of the LEA at a public meeting on or before October 29, 2021 and must be submitted for review and approval within five days of adoption.

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Jennifer Izant Gonzales, Director, Alternative Education

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti, President

8.2 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.

Presenter (s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools
Denise Sanson, Senior Director, Student Programs

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti, President

8.3 Adopt Resolution #21-17: Approving the Application for Outdoor Equity Grants Program Grant Funds

For consideration of the Outdoor Equity Grant proposal, a signed board resolution is required as part of the grant review process. The Authorizing Resolution serves two purposes:

1. It is the means by which the applicant's Governing Body shows it is aware of all the terms of the grant. It provides confirmation that the applicant has the funding to complete the proposed outdoor program if the grant is awarded.
2. It designates a position title to represent the Governing Body on matters regarding the application and outdoor program. The incumbent in this position is referred to as the authorized representative, in this case Liann Reyes, Superintendent of Business.

The Authorizing Resolution language provided in the resolution must remain unchanged. Any changes to the language may require OGALS Legal Office review. The time involved with the legal review process may delay application approval and could affect OGALS' ability to fund the project.

Presenter(s): Amity Sandage, Environmental Literacy Coordinator, Educational Srv.
Celeste Gutierrez, Student Leadership & Engagement Coordinator,
Student Support Services

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti (President)

8.4 Adopt Resolution #21-18: Recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month

Each year our nation observes Hispanic Heritage Month, a commemoration started in 1968 and expanded in 1988 to cover the 30-day period of September 15 to October 15, with its first day commemorating the start of the Mexican War of Independence, leading to the independence of Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Honduras, and Nicaragua. The Santa Cruz County Board of Education recognizes the myriad advances Hispanic Americans continue to make in areas including education, medicine, art, culture, and public services in our community, state, and nation. The Board of Education hereby recognizes September 15 through October 15 as Hispanic Heritage Month and encourages all students, faculty, administrators, and parents, to remember and celebrate the contributions that Hispanic Americans have made to California and the United States.

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

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti (President)

8.5 Adopt Resolution #21-19: In Support of October as College and Career Month

College Awareness Week is observed annually during the full week prior to Cabrillo College's College & Career Night, usually the first Monday in October or November. This year, Santa Cruz County College and Career Collaborative has chosen to spread its events out over the month of October. Cabrillo College will participate with several events they call "College and Career Chats". The College and Career Chats will be held the 2nd through the 29th of October. The celebration is sponsored by the Santa Cruz County College and Career Collaborative which offers additional resources to students and families related to college and career readiness. The Santa Cruz County Board of Education acknowledges that College and Career Month is an important part of promoting a college-going culture and serves the needs of all students and families of the District. The County Board will consider adoption of this Resolution.

Presenter(s): Sandra Nichols, Chair, Community Outreach and Legislative Committee
Debi Bodenheimer, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti (President)

8.6 Adopt Resolution #21-20: Proclaiming October as LGBTQ+ History Month

LGBTQ+ History Month is an annual, month-long observance of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender history, and the history of the gay rights and related civil rights movements, which was founded in 1994 by Missouri high-school history teacher, Rodney Wilson. All students deserve to feel safe and welcome in their schools and to see themselves represented in the curriculum. The County Board of Education affirms its role in, and commitment to, continuing the historical process of transforming the educational system to ensure inclusiveness, safety, and a sense of belonging for all LGBTQ+ students, teachers, staff, and their families. The County Board will consider adoption of this Resolution.

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

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti (President)

8.7 Adopt Resolution #21-21: Recognizing October 10 through October 16 Week of the School Administrator

The title "school administrator" is a broad term used to define many education leadership positions. Superintendents, assistant superintendents, principals, assistant principals, special education and adult education leaders, curriculum and assessment leaders, school business officials, classified educational leaders, and other school district employees are considered administrators. With more than 6 million students in California's public education system, the future of the public education system depends upon the quality of its leadership. The Board is asked to recognize these administrators.

Presenter(s): Sandra Nichols, Chair, Community Outreach and Legislative Committee
Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti (President)

8.8 Adopt Resolution #21-22: Recognizing October 18 Through October 22 as Digital Citizenship Week

Digital citizenship gives students the foundational skills they need to compete and succeed in the 21st-century workplace and participate ethically in society at large. Schools have a responsibility to increase student awareness about digital citizenship topics such as internet safety, privacy and security, cyberbullying, digital footprints, and information literacy. The Santa Cruz County Office of Education is a proud supporter of digital literacy efforts, offering professional learning to assist educators in implementing a digital citizenship curriculum and training program for their school or district.

Presenter(s): Sandra Nichols, Chair, Community Outreach and Legislative Committee
Jason Borgen, Chief Technology & Innovations Officer, Technology,
Innovation, and Communication

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti (President)

8.9 Adopt Resolution #21-23: In Support of Student and School Climate Action

The Santa Cruz County Board of Education recognizes and honors the foresight of the young generation and their valid apprehension of a future drastically diminished by climate change from the world adults today enjoy. The Santa Cruz County Board of Education encourages local school administrations to assure that students are not penalized or discouraged from participation in peaceful climate activism, including climate justice walkouts and other activities they may initiate. The Board is asked to support student and school climate action.

Presenter(s): Bruce VanAllen, Member, Community Outreach and Legislative
Committee

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti (President)

8.10 Adopt Resolution #21-24: 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.

Presenter(s): Liann Reyes, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti, President

8.11 Adopt Resolution #21-25: In the Matter of Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Procedures

Prior to the passage of Assembly Bill No. 1666, Chapter 1054, Statutes of 1983, which added Chapter 2, commencing with Section 22000, to Part 3 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code, existing law did not provide a uniform cost accounting standard for construction work performed or contracted by local public agencies. The Santa Cruz County Office of Education hereby elects under Public Contract Code Section 22030 to become subject to the uniform public construction cost accounting procedures set forth in the Act and to the Commission's policies and procedures manual and cost accounting review procedures, as they may each from time to time be amended and shall notify the State Controller forthwith of this election.

Presenter(s): Liann Reyes, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti, President

8.12 Discussion and Possible Approval of Resolution #21-26 Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions Pursuant to AB 361 and Government Code section 54953

Consistent with Government code section 54953, on September 30, 2021, the County Board of Education adopted Resolution #21-16, finding that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

The County Board of Education will discuss and consider adopting Resolution #21-26, to make a finding after reconsidering the state of emergency, that the current circumstances meet the requirements of AB 361 and Government Code section 54953 for the Board to continue conducting meetings remotely.

Presenter(s): Rose Filicetti, President, Board of Education

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Rose Filicetti (President)

8.13 First Reading: Board Bylaws 9000s Series

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. The Board will consider action to remove the following policies:

BB 9250.1	Health and Welfare Benefits - Current Board Members
BB 9250.2	Health and Welfare Benefits - Retirees

Presenter(s): Bruce VanAllen, Chair, Policy 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/STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS

11.1 Charter School Subcommittee Meeting

The Committee visited Pacific Collegiate School earlier this month for a school site visit and to meet with the school's administration and board members. The topics discussed include the school's COVID-19 response, diversity plans, and Pacific Collegiate's County Board presentation for November.

Presenter(s): Abel Sanchez, Chair, Charter School Subcommittee

12. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
November 18, 2021
4:00 p.m.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Board President will adjourn the meeting.

PLEASE NOTE:

Public Participation:

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