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**Mr. Ed Acosta • Ms. Alyssa Alto • Ms. Rose Filicetti • Ms. Sandra Nichols**  
**Ms. Sue Roth • Mr. Abel Sanchez • Mr. Bruce Van Allen**

**Santa Cruz County Board of Education**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Thursday April 21, 2022**  
**Open Session 4:00PM**  
**Boardroom & Videoconference**

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**APPROVED MINUTES**

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

Trustees Present

Abel Sanchez (President), Ed Acosta, Alyssa Alto, Rose Filicetti, Sandra Nichols, Sue Roth, Bruce Van Allen

Staff Present

Faris Sabbah (Secretary), Debi Bodenheimer, Dr. Jennifer Izant Gonzales, Melissa Lopez, Rebecca Olker, Liann Reyes, Sofia Sorensen, Verenise Valentin

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Superintendent Sabbah led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented (Filicetti/Roth 7-0).

Ayes: Acosta, Alto, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Nick C. (*Parent*) shared information with the Board regarding the COVID-19 vaccine.

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

- 5.0.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on March 17, 2022
- 5.0.2 Routine Budget Revisions
- 5.0.3 Donations

A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented (Van Allen/Roth 7-0).

Ayes: Acosta, Alto, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**5.1 DEFERRED CONSENT ITEMS (if required)**

None.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**7. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS**

**7.1 Multilingual Students and Network Presentation**

The Board received an update from Sofia Sorensen, Multilingual Coordinator, Educational Services, on the Santa Cruz County Office of Education activities supporting the multilingual student community and multilingual network.

**7.2 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Annual Audit Report**

The Board was provided with the 2020-2021 final, audited, prior year financial statements. The Santa Cruz County Office of Education is required to file the annual audit report with the California Department of Education and the State Controller's Office. Ahmad Gharaibeh, Partner, Eide Bailly LLP, presented the report to the Board.

**7.3 Actuarial Study of Retiree Health Liabilities**

The Board received a report of the Actuarial Study of Retiree Health Benefits, as is required every two years in compliance with GASB43/45. Rebecca Olker, Executive Director, Fiscal Services, presented the study to the Board.

**7.4 COVID-19 School Update**

Superintendent Sabbah gave 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 as we address the COVID19 Pandemic.

**8. NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS**

**8.1 Approve Resolution #22-07 Recognizing April as Bilingual/Multilingual Advocacy Month and Recognizing the Multilingual Network as Advocates for Multilingual Students**

The Santa Cruz County Office of Education believes being proficient in more than one language is a skill to celebrate. The Board considered adopting Resolution #22-07 recognizing April as National Bilingual/Multilingual Learner Advocacy Month and recognizing the work of the Multilingual Network Members in supporting and advocating for multilingual students.

A motion was made to approve the Resolution #22-07 (Filicetti/Van Allen 7-0).

Ayes:	Acosta, Alto, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

**8.2 Approve Resolution #22-08 Proclaiming May 2-6, 2022 For Flying the Rainbow Flag and Honoring Harvey Milk Day**

Harvey Milk Day was established by the California legislature and signed into law by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger in 2009. Harvey Milk was the first openly gay elected official in the history of California. The Santa Cruz County Office of Education celebrates Harvey Milk Day and invites all educational institutions, organizations, companies and individuals across Santa Cruz to fly the rainbow flag from May 2-6, 2022 in honor of Harvey Milk Day, and encourages teachers to teach lessons about LGBTQ+ history during this week in their classrooms aligned with the State History Framework.

A motion was made to approve the Resolution #22-08 (Van Allen/Filicetti 7-0).

Ayes: Acosta, Alto, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**8.3 Approve Resolution #22-09 In Recognition of National Child Abuse Prevention Month**

Each year, millions of reports of child abuse are reported to child protective services in the U.S. The Board considered adoption of Resolution #22-09.

A motion was made to approve the Resolution #22-09 (Filicetti/Acosta 7-0).

Ayes: Acosta, Alto, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**8.4 Adopt Resolution #22-10 In Support of Day of the Teacher**

Education Code, Section 372229(a), specifies the Second Wednesday in May as the Day of the Teacher, a day having special significance. All public schools and educational institutions are encouraged to observe those days, and, specifically on the Day of the Teacher, conduct exercises commemorating and directing attention to the teachers and the teaching profession.

A motion was made to approve the Resolution #22-10 (Van Allen/Alto 7-0).

Ayes: Acosta, Alto, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**8.5 Adopt Resolution #22-11 In Support of Classified Employees Week**

California Senate Bill 1552, passed in 1984, decreed the third full week in May as California School Employees' Week in official recognition of the services and dedication of classified school employees. The Board is asked to adopt Resolution #22-11.

A motion was made to approve the Resolution #22-11 (Filicetti/Roth 7-0).

Ayes: Acosta, Alto, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**8.6 Approve Resolution #22-12 Ordering an Election (Santa Cruz County)**

Trustee Area terms for areas 1, 2, and 7 expire this November. The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution #22-12 Ordering an Election, requesting County Elections to Conduct the election, and requesting the consolidation of the election, and specifications of the election order in Santa Cruz County.

A motion was made to approve the Resolution #22-12 (Filicetti/Van Allen 7-0).

Ayes: Acosta, Alto, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**8.7 Schedule a Special Board Meeting to conduct a Board Self-Evaluation**

The Board was asked to consider scheduling a Special Board Meeting on Saturday June 11, 2022 to conduct a Board Self-Evaluation with Luan Rivera, CSBA facilitator.

A motion was made to schedule a Special Board Meeting on June 11, 2022 (Filicetti/Van Allen 7-0).

Ayes: Acosta, Alto, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**8.8 Schedule a Special Board Meeting to Comply with the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Requirements**

The Board was asked to consider scheduling a Special Board Meeting on Thursday June 30, 2022, to comply with Education Code 52062(b)(2), which requires the Board to adopt an LCAP or annual update to the LCAP in a public meeting after, but not the same day as, the public hearing.

A motion was made to schedule a Special Meeting on June 30, 2022 (Filicetti/Roth 7-0).

Ayes: Acosta, Alto, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: None

**8.9 Approve Resolution #22-13 Certification and Approval of Applications for Eligibility Determination and Funding in the School Facility Program When Bond Authority is Exhausted**

The Santa Cruz County Office of Education has determined that school facilities within the Santa Cruz County Office of Education need to be constructed and/or modernized, as applicable. The Santa Cruz County Office of Education is in support of submitting these applications under the SFP or any future State school facilities program under the conditions described in the resolution.

A motion was made to approve Resolution #22-13 (Van Allen/Alto 7-0).

Ayes:	Acosta, Alto, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

**8.10 Discussion and Possible Approval of Resolution #22-14 Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions Pursuant to AB 361 and Government Code section 54953**

Consistent with Government code section 54953, on March 17, 2022, the County Board of Education adopted Resolution #22-06, finding that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

The County Board of Education discussed and considered adopting Resolution #22-14, 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.

A motion was made to approve Resolution #22-14 (Filicetti/Nichols 7-0).

Ayes:	Acosta, Alto, Filicetti, Nichols, Roth, Sanchez, Van Allen
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

**9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Sabbah provided an update on activities and matters of interest.

**10. TRUSTEE REPORTS (3 minutes each)**

Trustee Filicetti

Once a month – Santa Cruz Operational Call on COVID-19/vaccine distribution, wildfire season and emergency prep, and CZU Fire recovery.

March 24 – Participated in EdSource's Roundtable on Declining enrollment: What can the Legislature and districts do to soften the impact?

March 30 – Actively promoting Inside Education

She will be going to elementary schools in her district with fellow Trustee Alto and giving out copies of Trustee Alto's book.

Trustee Alto

She is working on delivering her books to different elementary schools. She thanked everyone for their support on her journey.

She will be visiting Pacific Collegiate School Campus and attending the Charter School Subcommittee meeting tomorrow.

Trustee Acosta

He had no report to share.

Trustee Nichols

She attended the Board of Supervisors' Candidates Forum.

She worked on the resolutions for this Board meeting.

She attended a Santa Cruz City Forum on electing council members by district.

Trustee Van Allen

He will be working with the policy committee to approve more policies. He shared that he will be taking less of a leadership role in the committee due to personal hardships.

Trustee Roth

March 21 – Santa Cruz County Office of Education Budget Committee Meeting

March 24 – Participated in EdSource's Roundtable on Declining enrollment: What can the Legislature and districts do to soften the impact?

April 12 – Participated in the Chicana/Latina Ethnic Studies Lecture Series

President Sanchez

He attended the UCSC Community Tour.

He also participated in the COE Science Fair as a judge.

He also participated in the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Budget Committee Meeting.

**11. AD HOC/STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS**

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

2nd Annual Youth-Led Santa Cruz County Environmental Action Summit

April 22, 2022

9:30am- 2:00pm

Harvey West Park, 326 Evergreen Street, Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz County Board of Education

Regular Meeting

May 19, 2022

4:00 p.m.

Santa Cruz County Board of Education  
Minutes, Regular Meeting  
April 21, 2022

Black Graduation  
May 22, 2022  
Black Lives Matter Mural, Center Street, Church Street, Santa Cruz

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June 23, 2022  
4:00 p.m.

- 13. ADJOURNMENT**  
President Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 6:07 p.m.