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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 March 17, 2022
Open Session 4:00PM
Boardroom & Videoconference

APPROVED MINUTES

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

Trustees Present

Abel Sanchez (President), Rose Filicetti, Sandra Nichols, Sue Roth, Bruce Van Allen

Trustees Absent

Ed Acosta, Alyssa Alto

Staff Present

Faris Sabbah (Secretary), Debi Bodenheimer, Melissa Lopez, Jesus Reyes, Liann Reyes, John Rice, Denise Sanson, 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/Nichols 5-0-2).

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

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Nick Clifford (Community Member) submitted a request to speak during public comment, but was not present in person or via videoconference.

No other requests were made.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.0.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 17, 2022
- 5.0.2 Routine Budget Revisions
- 5.0.3 Approve Appointment to the North Santa Cruz County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda as presented (Filicetti/Van Allen 5-0-2).

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

5.1 DEFERRED CONSENT ITEMS (if required)

None.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

7. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

7.1 Career and Adult Learning Services (CALs) Update

The Career and Adult Learning Services (CALs) provides students with the opportunity to acquire academic, career, and technical skills and to prepare for life-long learning and success in the changing workplace. CALs offers high school diplomas and equivalency services for adult learners, a workforce development program for 16-24 year olds, magnet high school programs, and career training programs for adults. CALs works closely with districts and industry business partners to stay up to date with industry and workforce trends. Denise Sanson, Executive Director, CALs, and Jesus Reyes, Community Organizer, CAC, presented an update on the department to the Board.

7.2 Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 2021-22 Second Interim Financial Report

EDC § 1240(j) requires that the Superintendent certify the Second Interim Financial Report and present it to the Board in a public meeting for review prior to filing the report with the State Department of Education. Liann Reyes, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services, and Melissa Lopez, Director, Fiscal Services, present the report to the Board.

7.3 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 2022 - 2023 COE and Student Program Calendars

The Board was asked to approve the 2022-2023 Santa Cruz COE and Student Programs calendars.

A motion was made to approve the 2022 - 2023 COE and Student Program Calendars (Van Allen/Nichols 5-0-2).

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

8.2 Approval of Resolution #22-05 Recognizing March as Women's History Month

Women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made significant and historic contributions to the growth and strength of our society in countless ways. The Santa Cruz County Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools honors the contributions that women have made throughout history and commit to support efforts to improve opportunities for girls and women.

A motion was made to approve Resolution #22-05 Recognizing March as Women's History Month with the added clauses on equal pay (Van Allen/Nichols 5-0-2).

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

8.3 Schedule Special Board Meeting

The Board discussed scheduling a special Board meeting to participate in a Board Self-Evaluation on either Saturday, April 16, 2022 or Saturday, April 30, 2022. The Board made no action.

8.4 Discussion and Possible Approval of Resolution #22-06 Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions Pursuant to AB 361 and Government Code section 54953

Consistent with Government code section 54953, on February 17, 2022, the County Board of Education adopted Resolution #22-04, finding that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

The County Board of Education discussed adopting Resolution #22-06, 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 #22-06 Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions Pursuant to AB 361 and Government Code section 54953 (Filicetti/Van Allen 5-0-2).

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

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.

February 24 – A Conversation with Michael Watkins on the Importance of Black History

March 1 – Legislative Action Week 2022 Briefing & Training Webinar

March 7 – SCZCSBA March Meeting

March 11 and 12 – Two day 2022 CCBE County Board Governance Hybrid Workshop

March 15 – CSBA Leg Action Day with Senator Laird

March 16 – CSBA/Assembly member Stone: Legislative Action Day

Trustee Van Allen

He worked with Trustee Nichols on Resolution #22-05 Recognizing March as Women's History Month.

Trustee Nichols

February 24 – A Conversation with Michael Watkins on the Importance of Black History

She also worked on Resolution #22-05 Recognizing March as Women's History Month.

Trustee Roth

February 23 – 38th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Convocation (UCSC)

February 24 – Conversation with Michael Watkins on the Importance of Black History

March 2 – John R. Lewis College, UCSC: Solidarity for Justice

March 8 – SCCOE Book Club: How to be an Antiracist

March 9-10 – How to Lead Board Meetings; California Voting Rights/Recall; Towards Computer Science Education; Communications Policy & Best Practices; Roles, Responsibilities, & Authorities of County Board Members; Board's Role in Career Technical Education; The Imperative for Advocacy, Engagement & Activism;

Trustee Sanchez

February 24 – Conversation with Michael Watkins on the Importance of Black History

He participated in CSBA's legislative action day.

11. AD HOC/STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS

12. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
April 21, 2022
4:00 p.m.

13. ADJOURNMENT

President Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 6:44pm

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