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**Ms. Sue Roth ● Mr. Abel Sanchez ● Mr. Bruce Van Allen**

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**Santa Cruz County Board of Education**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Thursday March 17, 2022**  
**Open Session 4:00PM**  
**Boardroom**

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## **AGENDA**

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

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

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 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.

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
Denise Sanson, Executive Director, CALs  
Jesus Reyes, Community Organizer, CAC

**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.

Presenter(s): Liann Reyes, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services  
Melissa Lopez, Director, Fiscal Services

**7.3 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 as we address the COVID19 Pandemic.

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

**8. NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS**

**8.1 Approve 2022 - 2023 COE and Student Program Calendars**

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

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
John Rice, Executive Director, Alternative Education

Motion &  
Roll Call Vote: Abel Sanchez (President)

**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 honor the contributions that women have made throughout history and commit to support efforts to improve opportunities for girls and women. The Board asked to approve this resolution.

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

Motion &  
Roll Call Vote: Abel Sanchez (President)

**8.3 Schedule Special Board Meeting**

The Board will consider scheduling a special Board meeting to participate in a Board Self-Evaluation on either Saturday, April 16, 2022 or Saturday, April 30, 2022.

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

Motion &  
Roll Call Vote: Abel Sanchez (President)

**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 will discuss and consider 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.

Presenter(s): Abel Sanchez, President, County Board of Education

Motion &  
Roll Call Vote: Abel Sanchez (President)

**9. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

County Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Faris 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**

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

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

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The Board President will adjourn the meeting.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

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