Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday May 19, 2022
4:00pm
Boardroom and/or Zoom

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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 April 21, 2022
   5.0.2 Routine Budget Revisions
   5.0.3 Central California Migrant Head Start Application for Federal Assistance Policy
       Council/Committee and Board Approval Verification

   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 2022 Educators and Community Partner of the Year
Each year, the Santa Cruz County Board of Education celebrates the accomplishments of teachers, classified employees, administrators, and counselors. For the first time, the County Office will also recognize a local Community Partner of the year. Award recipients are nominated by their peers and will be awarded a plaque of outstanding achievement by Superintendent Sabbah.

Award Recipients: Patty Freedman, Classified Employee of the Year, SCCOE
Dr. Jessica Kiernan, Administrator of the Year, SUESD
Daisy Nuñez, Counselor of the Year, PVUSD
Janet Stahl, Teacher of the Year, SLVUSD
Santa Cruz Public Library, Community Partner of the Year

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools
Debi Bodenheimer, Associate Superintendent, Educational Svcs.

7.2 A-G Completion Grant
EC § 41590 specifies that LEAs must develop their plans by April 1, 2022 that contains prescribed descriptions, including but not limited to: How the funds increase or improve services to English learners, foster youth, or low-income students in ways that will increase their A-G eligibility; How the funds will be used to provide opportunities for eligible students to retake A-G courses; How the grant funds supplement and do not supplant other investments identified in a Local Control and Accountability Plan and Assembly Bill 86 learning recovery plans. The plan must be presented at a regularly scheduled meeting and adopted at the subsequent regularly scheduled meeting of the governing board. The board will approve this grant at the June 23, 2022 Board meeting.

Presenter(s): Dr. Jennifer Izant Gonzales, Director, Alternative Education

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 Resolution #22-15 In Recognition of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month**

The month of May is recognized as National Asian-American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month to recognize and honor the contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the United States as designated by the United States Congress since 1992. The Santa Cruz COE renews its commitment to the safety and wellbeing of all ethnic populations including Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. The Board will consider adoption of Resolution #22-15, recognizing the month of May as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

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

**Motion & Roll Call Vote:** Abel Sanchez (President)

8.2 **Approve Resolution #22-16 In Recognition of Mental Health Awareness Month**

Each year millions of Americans face the reality of living with a mental illness — a challenge that has been exponentially exacerbated by the isolation and extreme stress many have dealt with in the past year as a result of the pandemic and precautions taken to slow the spread of the virus. The Board will consider adoption of Resolution #22-16, proclaiming the month of May as Mental Health Awareness Month and expressing support of students and staff challenged by mental illness.

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

**Motion & Roll Call Vote:** Abel Sanchez (President)

8.3 **Approve Resolution #22-17 In Recognition of Jewish American Heritage Month**

May is Jewish American Heritage Month, a month that provides an opportunity for all people to appreciate the achievements and contributions of Jewish Americans throughout history. The Santa Cruz COE encourages staff, students, and community members to remember, celebrate, and educate future generations about Jewish Americans and the importance of their role in communities across our Nation. The Board will consider adoption of Resolution #22-17, recognizing the month of May as Jewish American Heritage Month.

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

**Motion & Roll Call Vote:** Abel Sanchez (President)
8.4 **First Reading: Board Policy 6000's Series**
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 6158.1 Independent Study to Implement AB 130 and AB 167 (2021)

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

Motion & Roll Call Vote: Abel Sanchez (President)

8.5 **Discussion and Possible Approval of Resolution #22-18 Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions Pursuant to AB 361 and Government Code section 54953**
Consistent with Government code section 54953, on April 21, 2022, the County Board of Education adopted Resolution #22-14, 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 #22-18, 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**
   - Black Graduation
     - May 22, 2022
     - London Nelson Center
   - COE Alternative and Special Education Graduations
     - May 23 - May 27, 2022
   - Santa Cruz County Board of Education
     - Special Meeting: Board Self-Evaluation
     - June 11, 2022
     - 9:00 a.m.
   - Santa Cruz County Board of Education
     - Regular Meeting
     - June 23, 2022
     - 4:00 p.m.
   - Special Meeting
     - Santa Cruz County Board of Education
     - June 30, 2022
     - 4:00 p.m.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**
    President Sanchez will adjourn the meeting.
PLEASE NOTE:

Public Participation:

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TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education
FROM: Administration Department
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on April 21, 2022

BACKGROUND
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on May 19, 2022

FUNDING IMPLICATIONS
None.

RECOMMENDATION
Approve minutes.
Santa Cruz County Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting
Thursday April 21, 2022
Open Session 4:00PM
Boardroom & Videoconference

UNAPPROVED 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 (Felicetti/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 (Felicetti/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 Chicanx/Latinx 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.
Black Graduation
May 22, 2022
Black Lives Matter Mural, Center Street, Church Street, Santa Cruz

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
June 23, 2022
4:00 p.m.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**
President Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 6:07 p.m.
TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education
FROM: Business Department
SUBJECT: Routine Budget Revisions

BACKGROUND
Routine budget revisions for May.

FUNDING IMPLICATIONS
Included herein.

RECOMMENDATION
Approve revisions.
DATE: May 12, 2022

TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education
    Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Liann Reyes, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services
      Melissa Lopez, Director of Fiscal Services

RE: April Budget Revisions

Significant changes to the budget during the month of April, 2022 are as follows:

UNRESTRICTED:
There were no changes to Unrestricted revenue. Decreases in books, supplies and services
budgets to more closely align with departmental and programmatic need resulted in an
overall decrease in expense in the amount $35,365, resulting in an overall increase to the

RESTRICTED:
Increases to restricted revenue in the amount of $25,231 include grant awards from
Synopsys Silicon Valley Science & Technology Outreach Foundation and Madera County
Superintendent of Schools. Restricted expenditure budgets were decreased to more closely
align with departmental and programmatic need. This resulted in an increase to the
Restricted ending fund balance of $37,467.

Budget revisions processed in April increase ending fund balance by $72,832.

Pacheco Bill Compliance:
There were no consultant agreements/professional service contracts in excess of $25,000 that
required a budget revision be processed during April 2022.

Business department staff continue to communicate and collaborate with department staff
and managers to review revenues, expenditures, and current year budgets as we continue
preparing Estimated Actuals along with 2022-23 budget development.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

LR:ml
cc: Rebecca Olker
## 2021-22 Revised Budget as of April 30, 2022

### Revenues

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### Fund Balance, Reserves

#### Beginning Fund Balance

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TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education
FROM: Administration Department
SUBJECT: Central California Migrant Head Start Application for Federal Assistance Policy Council/Committee and Board Approval Verification

BACKGROUND
Migrant Head Start, Santa Cruz through the grantee Central CA Migrant/Seasonal Head Start is submitting an application for COLA and Quality Funds for 2022/2023.

FUNDING IMPLICATIONS
Included herein.

RECOMMENDATION
Approve application.
DATE: May 10, 2022

TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education

FROM: Maria Castro, Director, Migrant/Seasonal Head Start

RE: Central California Migrant Head Start Application for Federal Assistance Policy Council/Committee and Board Approval Verification

Migrant Head Start, Santa Cruz through the grantee Central CA Migrant/Seasonal Head Start is submitting an application for COLA and Quality Funds for 2022/2023.

- COLA Funds (2.28%) $40,383.
- Quality funds (0.72%) $12,752.
- Administrative Cost Rate 9.5%
- Non federal Share (Grantee requesting waiver)

Santa Cruz MHS plan:

- Salary/benefits increases for staff pending negotiations
- Increase childcare providers’ rates for preschool children
- Increase rates for children with special needs
STANISLAUS COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION  
CENTRAL CALIFORNIA MIGRANT HEAD START  

Application for Federal Assistance  
Policy Council/Committee and Board Approval Verification  

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This application has the approval of the Governing Board of the Santa Cruz County Office of Education.  
As recorded in their minutes of ___________.  
(Signed) ___________________________________________  
(Governing Board President)  
(Date) __________________________________________________________________

This application has the approval of the Central California Migrant Head Start Parent Policy Council/Committee.  
As recorded in their minutes of ________N/A___________.  
(Signed) ________________________________  
(Policy Council/Committee Chairperson)  
(Date) __________________________________________________________________
TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools
Debi Bodenheimer, Associate Superintendent, Educational Svcs.

SUBJECT: 2022 Educators and Community Partner of the Year

BACKGROUND

Each year, the Santa Cruz County Board of Education celebrates the accomplishments of teachers, classified employees, administrators, and counselors. For the first time, the County Office will also recognize a local Community Partner of the year. Award recipients are nominated by their peers and will be awarded a plaque of outstanding achievement by Superintendent Sabbah.

Award Recipients: Patty Freedman, Classified Employee of the Year, SCCOE
Dr. Jessica Kiernan, Administrator of the Year, SUESD
Daisy Nuñez, Counselor of the Year, PVUSD
Janet Stahl, Teacher of the Year, SLVUSD
Santa Cruz Public Library, Community Partner of the Year
2022 Educator of the Year Award Recipients

A selection committee was formed to review the 74 nominations using the California Standards for the Teaching Profession, the California Professional Standards for Educational Leaders, and the following criteria:

➢ Ability to create a passion for learning
➢ High expectations for all students
➢ Strong communication and collaborative skills
➢ Strong sense of values, integrity, and professional ethics
➢ Knowledge of subject and curriculum content
➢ Commitment to the community they serve

2022 Teacher of the Year
Recipient: Janet Stahl, San Lorenzo Valley Elementary School, San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District

Stahl joined the San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District in 2004, where she has taught grades K-2 and Recovery Reading and helped spearhead making San Lorenzo Valley Elementary School a PBIS school. Stahl started her teaching career in the winter of 1988 with Modesto City Schools. She taught what was then called Sheltered English classes for 1-3 grades, was a Success For All Reading Teacher and team taught a full inclusion Sheltered English and Special Day Class at a year round school. She developed a passion for teaching beginning readers and writers, creating a professional lending library and after school reading clubs for students. Her favorite day of the year is the Santa Cruz County Reading Association Student Authors’ Fair where she has the pleasure and delight of interviewing young authors and listening to them read their work. Stahl is retiring at the end of the school year.

2022 Classified Employee of the Year

Recipient: Patty Freedman, Alternative Education, Santa Cruz County Office of Education (Highlands)

Freedman is a project specialist at the Santa Cruz COE’s San Lorenzo Valley Community School. She has lived in Santa Cruz County for the past 47 years with her husband and three children. She joined the Santa Cruz COE in 2002 after working with SLVUSD as an instructional aide at Redwood Elementary School. “I love the students, their families, our Community in the San
Lorenzo Valley and I am so grateful to have spent the last 20 years working in Alternative Education,” Freedman said.

**2022 Counselor of the Year**

Recipient: Daisy Nuñez, Watsonville High School, Pajaro Valley Unified School District

Daisy Nuñez is a socio-emotional counselor at Watsonville High School, her alma mater, and an adjunct counselor at Hartnell College. A first-generation Mexican-American raised by migrant farm working parents, Nuñez has worked in education for 14 years, striving to promote and contribute to a diverse environment that welcomes individuals of different social, gender, and cultural backgrounds. She is a Hopeologist and follows the philosophy that students are able to move toward healing and can achieve tremendous success when they are supported, heard and validated. She holds a bachelor’s degree in global economics from UC Santa Cruz, a master’s degree in education from San Jose State University, and a Certification in Thanatology (Death, Dying and Bereavement) from the Association for Death Education and Counseling.

**2022 Administrator of the Year**

Recipient: Dr. Jessica Kiernan, Assistant Superintendent, Soquel Union Elementary School District

Dr. Jessica Kiernan is a loving mother, partner, daughter, and friend, who began her career in education in 1999. As a classroom teacher, she quickly saw the institutional inequity her students faced. No students from her middle school had ever gone on to honors level courses in high school. Within three years thirty-six of her students were prepared for and enrolled in honors-level courses. As an assistant principal she found the same themes existed, so she organized a core of teachers to begin an AVID program, which within only three years became AVID certified schoolwide. In her principalship, she would find a new challenge in a different socio-demographic community. High test scores were easy to achieve, but building a whole-child mindset became the new charge. With nearly forty staff, she traveled the country year after year seeking the best and next practices. As a director and then as an assistant superintendent of education, she continued to engage in the quiet, yet focused path of understanding and truth-finding. Bringing together collaborative forces, speaking truths, seeking experts, and forging relationships have helped Jessica and her district to grow. She is humbled daily by the work of the great friends and colleagues with whom she works and shares this quest.

**2022 Community Partner of the Year**

Recipient: Santa Cruz Public Libraries: Heather Norquist, Youth Programs and Services Manager

Heather Norquist is the Manager for Youth Programs and Services at Santa Cruz Public Libraries, where she works with a team of librarians to provide access to books and other library resources in a variety of formats, early literacy programming, support for academics, STEAM programs, the Summer Reading Program, and opportunities for creative expression and community involvement to the youth in our community and their parents, caregivers and teachers. She has worked in Youth Services at SCPL for 25 years, and was responsible for instituting the Library’s K12 Outreach Committee to nurture partnerships with schools and the COE and also expanding outreach efforts.
to bring the Library’s Summer Reading Program to a wider segment of the community by offering Lunch@the Library popup programming at school food distribution sites. Heather attended Live Oak Elementary School and has lived here most of her life. In her free time, Heather enjoys singing with jazz combos and taking walks with her dog.
TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Jennifer Izant Gonzales, Director, Alternative Education

SUBJECT: A-G Completion Grant

BACKGROUND

EC § 41590 specifies that LEAs must develop their plans by April 1, 2022 that contains prescribed descriptions, including but not limited to: How the funds increase or improve services to English learners, foster youth, or low-income students in ways that will increase their A-G eligibility; How the funds will be used to provide opportunities for eligible students to retake A-G courses; How the grant funds supplement and do not supplant other investments identified in a Local Control and Accountability Plan and Assembly Bill 86 learning recovery plans. The plan must be presented at a regularly scheduled meeting and adopted at the subsequent regularly scheduled meeting of the governing board. The board will approve this grant at the June 23, 2022 Board meeting.

FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

Included herein.

RECOMMENDATION

Receive the presentation.
## A-G Completion Improvement Grant Plan

### Local Educational Agency (LEA) Name

| Santa Cruz County Office of Education | $203,792 |

### Plan Descriptions

**A description of how the funds will be used to increase or improve services for foster youth, low-income students, and English learners to improve A-G eligibility**

The Santa Cruz County Court and Community Schools support all students, including foster youth, socioeconomically disadvantaged students, and multilingual students, to achieve their individual educational goals. It is important to note that students transfer into our programs often past the point to complete the full A-G sequence. With that said, we are using this plan and these funds to specifically support foster youth, socioeconomically disadvantaged students, and multilingual students to have the opportunity take A-G courses as well as increase college awareness and support dual enrollment. Specifically, we will increase our A-G course offerings, increase counseling and support for dual enrollment, and purchase needed materials for A-G courses.

**A description of the extent to which all students, including foster youth, low-income students, and English learners, will have access to A-G courses approved by the University of California.**

Currently, our students have access to take limited A-G courses through programs at our community schools with the majority of our students taking A-G courses at Oasis High School, Cypress High School and through dual enrollment options. We will use this grant to increase access to A-G courses for all students and specifically foster youth, socioeconomically disadvantaged students, and multilingual students.

**The number of students who were identified for opportunities to retake A-G approved courses in which they received a “D”, “F”, or “Fail” grade in the 2020 spring semester or the 2020-21 school year and a description of the method used to offer the opportunity retake courses.**

Internally, we had 42 students over this span of time who received a D, F, or No Credit in an A-G course with us. Through our independent studies program, Oasis, on the Cabrillo College campus, students have the opportunity to retake A-G courses that they did not pass or received a D and we also offer A-G math courses during the summer. Students at Cypress High School have the opportunity to retake the semester needed and all students can take the equivalent course at Cabrillo College.

**A description of how the plan and described services, and associated expenditures, if applicable, supplement services in the Local Control and Accountability Plan and Learning Recovery Plan.**

The plan for the A-G grant supplements and aligns with our Local Control and Accountability Plan and Learning Recovery Plan. The actions we plan to take and the estimated associated expenditures are listed below.

- Increase A-G course offerings through purchasing of curriculum and getting new courses A-G approved --$100,000.
- Increase college and career support for students with a focus on foster youth, low-income students, and English learners, including professional development and direct student support--$103,000.
AGENDA ITEM 7.3

Board Meeting Date: May 19, 2022

TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education

FROM: Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: COVID-19 School Update

BACKGROUND

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.

FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

None.

RECOMMENDATION

Receive presentation
BACKGROUND

The month of May is recognized as National Asian-American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month to recognize and honor the contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the United States as designated by the United States Congress since 1992. The Santa Cruz COE renews its commitment to the safety and wellbeing of all ethnic populations including Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. The Board will consider adoption of Resolution #22-15, recognizing the month of May as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

None.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Resolution #22-15
RESOLUTION #22-15

In Recognition of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month

WHEREAS, the month of May is recognized as National Asian-American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month to recognize and honor the contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the United States as designated by the United States Congress since 1992; and

WHEREAS, National Asian-American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month is celebrated in May to commemorate the immigration of the first Japanese immigrants to the United States on May 7, 1843, as well as the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869, where Chinese immigrants played a key role in lays tracking and completing the historic project; and

WHEREAS, California is home to large populations of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI), people who have enriched the state in countless and invaluable ways, including in culture, science, academia, business, politics, and community life; and

WHEREAS, people of AAPI ancestry have suffered intense discrimination since California’s earliest days of colonization, including, but not limited to, the inhumane policies and treatment toward Chinese immigrants in the gold mining era, the Chinese Exclusion Act, the persecution of Filipino American workers, the illegal internment of Japanese American Citizens during World War II, prejudice and discrimination against Vietnamese immigrants, and the rise in violence against South Asians after the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks; and

WHEREAS, Santa Cruz county not only shares the national and state responsibility to overcome our history of hatred and violence toward AAPI persons and communities, but also must acknowledge and overcome the legacy of the county’s own history, including its central roles in the anti-Chinese movement and local persecution of Filipino workers exemplified in the 1930 Watsonville Filipino riots; and

WHEREAS, according to the California Department of Education, students of Asian, Filipino and Asian Pacific Islander heritage comprise approximately one out of every eight California students attending K-12 public schools; and
Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Resolution #22-15 In Recognition of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month
May 19, 2022

WHEREAS, in many California school districts, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders students are expressing fear of violence and harassment when returning to in-person instruction as the COVID-19 pandemic eases; and

WHEREAS, schools not only have an obligation to prepare students academically but also must provide the foundation for global citizenship as well as participation in civic responsibility; and

WHEREAS, schools must provide inclusive curriculum that highlights Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and other underrepresented communities’ histories to help students value themselves and others; and

WHEREAS, schools must help dispel the “model minority” myth, a stereotype that the Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders communities are a monolithic group with uniform endowments and achievements, a way of thinking that erases the economic, academic, and social struggles of diverse communities and can add to the burden and social and emotional toll that Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders students often bear; and

WHEREAS, our values of inclusiveness, humanity and respect demand that we support our students and staff of Asian ancestry and the larger Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders community in this moment of national strife and at all times; and

WHEREAS, public institutions, including in education, must acknowledge their own roles in reinforcing anti-AAPI violence and discrimination, and must affirmatively counter the influence of white supremacy and racism in curricula, hiring, and allocation of resources; and

WHEREAS, public institutions, including in education, must strive to eliminate institutional racism in education, employment, and leadership;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Cruz County Board of Education hereby condemns hatred, xenophobia, harassment, and violence towards people of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders ancestry; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Santa Cruz County Board of Education commits to creating a supportive, inclusive culture that fully embraces students and staff of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders descent.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools recognizes the month of May as National Asian Pacific American Heritage Month.
Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Resolution #22-15 In Recognition of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month
May 19, 2022

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Trustees of the Santa Cruz County Board of Education on the 19th day of May, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

Abel Sanchez, President

ATTEST:

Dr. Faris Sabbah
County Superintendent of Schools
Secretary, Santa Cruz County Board of Education
TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education

FROM: Sandra Nichols, Chair, Community Outreach & Legislation Committee

SUBJECT: Approve Resolution #22-16 In Recognition of Mental Health Awareness Month

BACKGROUND

Each year millions of Americans face the reality of living with a mental illness — a challenge that has been exponentially exacerbated by the isolation and extreme stress many have dealt with in the past year as a result of the pandemic and precautions taken to slow the spread of the virus. The Board will consider adoption of Resolution #22-16, proclaiming the month of May as Mental Health Awareness Month and expressing support of students and staff challenged by mental illness.

FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

None.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Resolution #22-16
RESOLUTION #22-16

In Recognition of Mental Health Awareness Month

WHEREAS, families have been deeply affected by the pandemic, and children are likely facing increased stress due to the changes, fear and uncertainty caused by illness, isolation, impending homelessness, and job and healthcare loss at rates never before seen; and

WHEREAS, children have been found to be at a higher risk of abuse or witnessing domestic abuse at this time of long-term school closures; and

WHEREAS, children and families are dealing with the long overdue societal reckoning with police violence against African Americans, a spike in anti-Asian hate crimes and significantly higher-than-average death rates linked to COVID-19 among Latino communities; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that more than 20 percent of youth have a diagnosed mental health disorder in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the average age of early signs of mental illness is 14, when most students are entering high school; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 60 percent of students with emotional, behavioral and mental health disorders do not graduate from high school, according to the U.S. Department of Education; and

WHEREAS, National Survey of Drug Use and Health data shows mental health diagnoses, suicide rates, non-suicidal self-injury such as cutting, and emergency room visits for students experiencing mental health issues are all on the rise; and

WHEREAS, the CDC has declared suicide is the second leading cause of death among youth ages 15 to 19 years old; and

WHEREAS, the number of children ages 6-12 who visited children’s hospitals for suicidal thoughts or self harm has more than doubled since 2016, according to the Children’s Hospital Association; and
WHEREAS, researchers from the University of Montreal found that students with untreated mental illness are more likely to be chronically absent, more disruptive in class, have lower academic achievement and ultimately drop out; and

WHEREAS, the University of Maryland’s Center for School Mental Health (CSMH) has found that educating staff, students and parents in the signs and symptoms of mental illness is key to both early intervention and dismantling the stigma surrounding mental health; and

WHEREAS, the CSMH reports that students are more likely to follow through with mental health services in school settings, and bringing mental health services onto campus enables easier communication among providers, parents and teachers; and

WHEREAS, schools that implement comprehensive mental health systems see improved academic performance, fewer special education placements, decreased disciplinary actions and higher graduation rates; and

WHEREAS, spreading awareness of the importance of mental health can help people realize the many ways in which mental illness impacts them and those around them, and can provide the opportunity to learn about available services.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Santa Cruz County Board of Education proudly proclaims the month of May as Mental Health Awareness Month, in recognition of any student or Santa Cruz County Office of Education staff member challenged by mental illness. The Santa Cruz County Office of Education stands ready to support you.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Cruz County Board of Education, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this day, the 19th day, of May, 2022 by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

Abel Sanchez, President

ATTEST:

Dr. Faris Sabbah
County Superintendent of Schools
Secretary, Santa Cruz County Board of Education
TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education

FROM: Sandra Nichols, Chair, Community Outreach & Legislation Committee

SUBJECT: Approve Resolution #22-17 In Recognition of Jewish American Heritage Month

BACKGROUND

May is Jewish American Heritage Month, a month that provides an opportunity for all people to appreciate the achievements and contributions of Jewish Americans throughout history. The Santa Cruz COE encourages staff, students, and community members to remember, celebrate, and educate future generations about Jewish Americans and the importance of their role in communities across our Nation. The Board will consider adoption of Resolution #22-17, recognizing the month of May as Jewish American Heritage Month.

FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

None.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Resolution #22-17
RESOLUTION #22-17

In Recognition of Jewish American Heritage Month

WHEREAS, May is Jewish American Heritage Month, a month that provides an opportunity for all people to appreciate the achievements and contributions of Jewish Americans throughout history, and

WHEREAS, in 1980 President Jimmy Carter adopted a proclamation annually recognizing Jewish American Heritage Week, and in April 2006, President George W. Bush adopted a proclamation that May would be recognized as Jewish American Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, Jewish Americans often face unspeakable discrimination and adversity, yet for hundreds of years they have fought heroically in battle, pursued peace, and always persevered; and

WHEREAS, Jewish Americans have made significant contributions to our Nation, our communities, and our schools in the fields of arts, business, education, entertainment, finance, government, law, medicine, politics, science, military service, and philanthropy; and

WHEREAS, the more than 350-year history has given us names like Albert Einstein and Ruth Bader Ginsberg - both of whom fought through hard times to emerge victorious, Einstein having faced ridicule and bullying growing up with many teachers giving up on him and Ginsburg having faced sexism at her workplace; and

WHEREAS, Jews arrived on American soil back in 1654 in New Amsterdam, searching for better opportunities and lifestyles, and finding in America their new home base where they could openly practice their faith and lead their lives freely without the fear of persecution; and

WHEREAS, Jewish people participated in the Civil Rights Movement by showing up at voter registrations, rallies, sit-ins, and more; and

WHEREAS, in the summer of 1942, the SS Drottningholm departed from Europe carrying hundreds of desperate Jewish refugees, en route to New York City from Sweden, the ship and its passengers were denied entry and turned back; and
WHEREAS, this month, we not only celebrate their heritage and express our appreciation for those contributions, but reaffirm our commitment to combating racism and discrimination against Jewish Americans; and

WHEREAS, this month the Santa Cruz County Office of Education encourages staff, students, and community members to remember, celebrate, and educate future generations about Jewish Americans and the importance of their role in communities across our Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Santa Cruz County Board of Education proudly proclaims the month of May as Jewish American Heritage Month.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Cruz County Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools hereby recognize and support Jewish American Heritage Month in May by encouraging public officials, educators, librarians, and school communities to observe this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Cruz County Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools hereby support school districts in their effort to commemorate Jewish American Heritage Month by providing instructional resources, relevant research, resources and promising practices throughout the year to make a significant impact on the lives and futures of Jewish American students.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Cruz County Board of Education, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this day, the 19th day, of May, 2022 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Abel Sanchez, President

ATTEST:

Dr. Faris Sabbah

County Superintendent of Schools

Secretary, Santa Cruz County Board of Education
AGENDA ITEM 8.4

Board Meeting Date: May 19, 2022

X Action

Information

TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education
FROM: Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools
SUBJECT: First Reading: Board Policy 6000’s Series

BACKGROUND

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 6158.1  Independent Study to Implement AB 130 and AB 167 (2021)

FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

Included herein.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt Board Policy 6158.1 Independent Study to Implement AB 130 and AB 167 (2021)
Independent Study to Implement Assembly Bill 130 and Assembly Bill 167 (2021)

The Board of Santa Cruz County Office of Education has previously authorized independent study as an optional alternative instructional strategy for eligible students whose needs may be best met through study outside of the regular classroom setting. (cf. 6158 – Independent Study.) With the enactment of Assembly Bill No. 130 (Ch. 44, Stats. 2021, hereafter “AB 130”), school districts and county offices of education are required to offer independent study for the 2021-2022 school year, with limited exceptions. The subsequent enactment of Assembly Bill 167 (Ch. 252, Stats. 2021, hereafter “AB 167”), added and modified the provisions of independent study for school districts and county offices of education.

Education Code section 51747, as it read prior to July 8, 2021, provided that a local educational agency shall not be eligible to receive apportionments for independent study unless it has adopted and implemented written policies as specified in that statute. AB 130 and AB 167 continue the requirement for local educational agencies to adopt and implement written policies, and add additional content required to be included in such policies. This policy and related administrative regulation are intended to supplement Board Policy (BP) and Administrative Regulation (AR) No. 6158 to include the additional requirements of AB 130 and AB 167. To the extent that there is any conflict between this policy and BP and AR No. 6158, the provisions of this policy and administrative regulation shall govern.

The District shall comply with the requirements of AB 130 and AB 167 by either providing an independent study option to all students or contracting with the County Office of Education or through an interdistrict transfer agreement with another school district to provide independent study to students. Alternatively, the District may seek a waiver of the requirement to provide an independent study option.

The minimum period for independent study participation shall be three (3) consecutive school days. This Board Policy supersedes any prior policy setting the minimum period at five (5) consecutive schooldays. For the 2021-2022 school year only, there is no minimum time period for participation in independent study.

The Administration shall adopt Regulations implementing this policy in compliance with AB 130, AB 167 and related provisions.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE 51745-51749.6
(Assembly Bill 130 (Stats. 2021, Ch. 44) – July 9, 2021)
(Assembly Bill 167 (Stats. 2021, Ch. 252 – September 23, 2021)

Board Adopted:
TO: Santa Cruz County Board of Education

FROM: Abel Sanchez, President, County Board of Education

SUBJECT: Discussion and Possible Approval of Resolution #22-18 Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions Pursuant to AB 361 and Government Code section 54953

BACKGROUND

Consistent with Government code section 54953, on April 21, 2022, the County Board of Education adopted Resolution #22-14, 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 #22-18, 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.

FUNDING IMPLICATIONS

None.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve Resolution #22-18
RESOLUTION #22-18

AUTHORIZING USE OF REMOTE TELECONFERENCING PROVISIONS (AB 361)

WHEREAS, the Santa Cruz County Board of Education ("Board of Education") is committed to open and transparent government, and full compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act ("Brown Act"); and

WHEREAS, the Brown Act generally requires that a public agency take certain actions in order to use teleconferencing to attend a public meeting virtually; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education recognizes that a local emergency persists due to the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the California Legislature has recognized the ongoing state of emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic and has responded by creating an additional means for public meetings to be held via teleconference (inclusive of internet-based virtual meetings); and

WHEREAS, on September 16, 2021, the California legislature passed Assembly Bill ("AB") 361, which amends Government Code section 54953 and permits a local agency to use teleconferencing to conduct its meetings in any of the following circumstances:

(A) the legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency, and state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing;

(B) the legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency for the purpose of determining, by majority vote, whether as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; or

(C) the legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency and has determined, by majority vote, pursuant to subparagraph (B), that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; and
WHEREAS, in order for the Board of Education to use teleconferencing as allowed by AB 361 after October 1, 2021, it must first adopt findings in a resolution, allowing the Board of Education to conduct teleconference meetings for a period of thirty (30) days; and

WHEREAS, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency for the State of California due to the COVID-19 pandemic in his order entitled “Proclamation of a State of Emergency,” signed March 4, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education hereby finds that the state and local emergencies have caused and will continue to cause imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is conducting its meetings through the use of telephonic and internet-based services so that members of the public may observe and participate in meetings and offer public comment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the recitals set forth above are true and correct and fully incorporated into this Resolution by reference;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education has determined that given the state of emergency, holding in-person meetings would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the actions taken by the Board of Education through this resolution apply to any and all District committees which are otherwise governed by the Brown Act;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education authorizes the County Superintendent of Schools to take all actions necessary to conduct Board of Education meetings in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e) and all other applicable provisions of the Brown Act, using teleconferencing for a period of thirty (30) days from the adoption of this Resolution after which the Board of Education will reconsider the circumstances of the state of emergency.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Santa Cruz County Board of Education, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, this 19th day of May 2022, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:
Resolution #22-18 Authorizing the Use of Remote Teleconference Provisions (AB 361)
Santa Cruz County Board of Education
May 19, 2022

Abel Sanchez, President

ATTEST:

Dr. Faris Sabbah
County Superintendent of Schools
Secretary, Santa Cruz County Board of Education