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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 June 23, 2022
4:00pm
Boardroom and Zoom

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), Dr. Jennifer Izant Gonzales, Melissa Lopez, Liann Reyes, John Rice, Denise Sanson, Verenise Valentin

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Superintendent Sabbah led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Sanchez began the meeting by reading the names of the 21 victims of the Uvalde school shooting.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Xaloc Cabanes (*Educator*) thanked the Board and Superintendent for their leadership and courage.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.0.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on May 19, 2022
- 5.0.2 Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on June 11, 2022
- 5.0.3 Routine Budget Revisions
- 5.0.4 Donations

President Sanchez thanked the donors for their contributions to our student programs.

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda (Filicetti/Nichols 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

The received correspondence from Luan Rivera, CSBA Consultant, with follow up information from the June 11, 2022 Special Board meeting.

7. REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS

7.1 Santa Cruz County Office of Education Retirement Recognitions

The Board recognized the important contributions of the following Santa Cruz County Office of Education employees who are retiring in the 2021-2022 school year.

Retirees: Michele Cuartilon, Office Coordinator, Career & Adult Learning
Kimlin McDaniel Keith, Nurse, Special Education
Anne McManus, Administrative Assistant, Special Education
Maggie O'Grady, Student Data Specialist II, Special Education

Denise Sanson, Director, Student Program, congratulated and thanked Michele Cuartilon for her over 20 years of service.

Superintendent Sabbah thanked Kimlin McDaniel Keith for her advocacy for student health during the pandemic and her friendship. The Board thanked Kimlin and shared their appreciation. Kimlin thanked Superintendent Sabbah and the Board for this recognition.

Superintendent Sabbah thanked Anne McManus for her over 20 years of dedication to the Special Education Department.

Superintendent Sabbah thanked Maggie O'Grady for her friendship and dedication to the students for the past 20 years.

7.2 COVID-19 School Update

Superintendent Sabbah gave an update 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.

Trustees asked clarifying questions.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

8.1 Public Hearing: 2022-2023 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) of the Santa Cruz County Office of Education

In compliance with California EDC § 52062(b)(1), the Board held a public hearing to solicit recommendations and comments from members of the public regarding the specific actions and expenditures proposed by the 2022-2023 Local Control Accountability Plan of the Santa Cruz County Office of Education and the 2022-2023 Annual Update, and 2022-2023 Budget Overview for Parents.

President Sanchez invited members of the public who wished to address the Board on this matter to speak. No comments from the public were made. President Sanchez then closed the public hearing and explained that further action on this item will be taken at the June 30, 2022 Special Board Meeting

8.2 Public Hearing: 2022-2023 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) of the Santa Cruz County Career Advancement Charter School

In compliance with California EDC § 52062(b)(1), the Board held a public hearing to solicit recommendations and comments from members of the public regarding the specific actions and expenditures proposed by the 2022-2023 Local Control Accountability Plan of the Santa Cruz County Career Advancement Charter School and the 2022-2023 Annual Update, and 2022-2023 Budget Overview for Parents.

President Sanchez invited members of the public who wished to address the Board on this matter to speak. No comments from the public were made. President Sanchez then closed the public hearing and explained that further action on this item will be taken at the June 30, 2022 Special Board Meeting

8.3 Public Hearing: Santa Cruz County Office of Education 2022-2023 Budget

The Santa Cruz County Office of Education's 2022-2023 Budget was presented for public comment in accordance with EDC § 1620 et seq., 24103. A copy of the budget is available upon request.

President Sanchez invited members of the public who wished to address the Board on this matter to speak. No comments from the public were made. President Sanchez then closed the public hearing and explained that further action on this item will be taken at the June 30, 2022 Special Board Meeting

9. NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS

9.1 Approve Resolution #22-19 To Support School and Community Safety

In 2022, our country has so far suffered 213 mass shootings, with 27 of these being school shootings. Public schools have a responsibility to provide a safe and healthy environment for students and staff, a responsibility shared by the larger community. The Board calls upon the California State Legislature and federal government to consider and enact laws that would help reduce access to guns by people who are determined to be a risk of harming themselves or others. The Board considered adopting this resolution.

Trustees shared their thoughts on the current status of gun legislation.

A motion was made to approve Resolution #22-19 To Support School and Community Safety (Van Allen/Filicetti 5-0-2).

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

9.2 Approve 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 was presented the plan at the May 19, 2022 regular board meeting. The Board considered approving the grant.

A motion was made to approve the A-G Completion Grant (Roth/Van Allen 5-0-2).

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

9.3 Adopt Resolution #22-20 Recognizing Juneteenth

Established as a federally recognized holiday in 2021, Juneteenth commemorates the emancipation of enslaved people in the United States. It was first celebrated in Texas on June 19, 1866, exactly one year after Major General Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston, Texas, and declared that enslaved people had been freed by the Emancipation Proclamation. The considered adopting Resolution #22-20 Recognizing Juneteenth.

A motion was made to approve Resolution #22-20 Recognizing Juneteenth (Filicetti/Van Allen 5-0-2).

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

9.4 Adopt Resolution #22-21 Recognizing Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month

Last month, the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, alongside all ten school districts, raised the Progress Flag in honor of Harvey Milk Day. The Progress Flag is a visual representation of acceptance and inclusion. The Santa Cruz County Board of Education and County Superintendent proclaims June as LGBTQ+ Pride Month to inspire equity, create alliances, celebrate diversity, and establish safe environments in our schools and communities throughout the county. The Board considered adopting Resolution #22-21 Recognizing Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month.

A motion was made to approve Resolution #22-21 Recognizing Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer (LGBTQ+) Pride Month (Van Allen/Filicetti 5-0-2).

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

9.5 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 6173 Education for Homeless Children

A motion was made to adopt BP 6173 Education for Homeless Children and waive the second reading (Filicetti/Roth 5-0-2).

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

9.6 Approve Resolution #22-22 in Support of Prop 30 and 55, Education Protection Funds Act (Santa Cruz County Office of Education)

It is recommended that the Board adopt Resolution #22-22 to approve usage of the funds made available from Proposition 30 and Proposition 55 for educational expenditures within the County Office of Education's budgets.

A motion was made to approve Resolution #22-22 in Support of Prop 30 and 55, Education Protection Funds Act (Santa Cruz County Office of Education) (Filicetti/Van Allen 5-0-2).

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

9.7 Approve Resolution #22-23 in Support of Prop 30 and 55, Education Protection Funds Act (Career Advancement Charter)

It is recommended that the Board adopt Resolution #22-23 to approve usage of the funds made available from Proposition 30 and Proposition 55 for educational expenditures within the County Office of Education's budgets.

A motion was made to approve Resolution #22-23 in Support of Prop 30 and 55, Education Protection Funds Act (Career Advancement Charter) (Filicetti/Van Allen 5-0-2).

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

9.8 Approve an Adjustment to the 2021 - 2022 COE and Student Program Calendars

As of June 17, 2021, Juneteenth is the twelfth federal legal holiday. Juneteenth is an annual day of remembrance commemorating the emancipation of African Americans enslaved in the United States. This holiday is observed annually on June 19th. The Board was asked to approve an adjustment to the 2021-2022 Santa Cruz COE and Student Program calendars to recognize June 20, 2022 as a non-work day, in recognition of Juneteenth.

A motion was made to approve an Adjustment to the 2021 - 2022 COE and Student Program Calendars (Filicetti/Van Allen 5-0-2).

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

9.9 Approve an Adjustment to the 2022 - 2023 COE and Student Program Calendars

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

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

9.10 Discussion and Possible Approval of Resolution #22-24 Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions Pursuant to AB 361 and Government Code section 54953

Consistent with Government code section 54953, on May 19, 2022, the County Board of Education adopted Resolution #22-18, finding that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

The Board discussed and considered adopting Resolution #22-24, 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 #22-24 Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions Pursuant to AB 361 and Government Code section 54953 (Van Allen/Roth 5-0-2).

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

9.11 Discussion of the Possible Use of Remote Teleconferencing for the June 30, 2022 Board Meeting

The Board discussed the possibility of conducting the June 30, 2022 meeting remotely via teleconferencing. In accordance with Resolution #22-24, Trustees will need to be in agreement that an in-person meeting would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees. This decision would meet the requirements of AB 361 and Government Code section 54953 for the Board to continue conducting meetings remotely.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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

11. TRUSTEE REPORTS (3 minutes each)

President Sanchez

He attended the Santa Cruz County Board Governance Workshop and attended several graduations.

Trustee Van Allen

He attended the Santa Cruz County Board Governance Workshop and continues to follow the current state legislation and budget.

Trustee Roth

May 14 – Capitol Advisors Budget Update

June 13 – SCCOE Board Budget Committee

May 22 – Santa Cruz County Black Graduation Celebration

May 24 – Alternative Education Graduations

May 25 – Alternative Education Graduations

May 26 – Watsonville/Aptos/Santa Cruz Adult Graduations

June 11 – Santa Cruz County Board Governance Workshop

Trustee Nichols

She attended the Santa Cruz County Board Governance Workshop and worked on the resolutions for the June 23, 2022 Board meeting.

Trustee Filicetti

May 20 – Monterey Bay Economic Partnership's Regional Economic Outlook

May 23 – SCZCSBA Meeting: May Revise budget discussion with Capitol Advisors Group

May 26 – CORE Coffee Chat: Understanding the County Budget Process

June 11 – Santa Cruz County Board Governance Workshop

Trustee Alto

She attended the Santa Cruz County Board Governance Workshop and participated on a panel highlighting the work of the COE.

12. AD HOC/STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS

None.

13. SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Special Meeting

Santa Cruz County Board of Education

June 30, 2022

4:00 p.m.

14. ADJOURNMENT

President Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.