Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday, August 10, 2023
4:30 pm Closed Session
5:30 pm Open Session, or soon thereafter
Boardroom and/or Zoom

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AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM
   Bruce Van Allen (President), Ed Acosta, Alyssa Alto, Rose Filicetti, Sandra Nichols, Sue Roth, Abel Sanchez
   Faris Sabbah, Secretary

   1.1 Board Member Remote Attendance Approval
   In accordance with AB 2449, Trustees may participate in the Board meeting remotely under the following conditions:
   ● Just Cause, or Emergency Circumstances
   ● Board Approval

   It is required that a Board quorum be present in person.

   Motion & Roll Call Vote: Bruce Van Allen (President)

2. CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE
   President Van Allen will disclose that the Board will, in closed session, discuss matters relating to an interdistrict transfer appeal as noted in item 3.1.

3. CLOSED SESSION

   3.1 Interdistrict Transfer Appeal #23-01
   The Board will hold an Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing concerning a student wishing to attend school in the Live Oak Elementary School District.

   Open, Conduct, & Close the Hearing: Bruce Van Allen (President)

4. OPEN SESSION
   Open session will begin at 5:30 P.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard.

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
   Superintendent Sabbah (Secretary) will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
   Agenda deletions and/or sequence changes will be approved or the agenda will be approved as submitted.

7. REPORT OUT ON CLOSED SESSION
   President Van Allen will report on any reportable action(s) taken by the Board in Closed Session.
8. **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 for 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.

9. **CONSENT AGENDA**
   All items appearing on the consent agenda are recommended actions that are considered routine 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.

   9.0.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on July 20, 2023
   9.0.2 Budget Revisions
   9.0.3 Resolution Delegating Authority to Request Disbursements California Employers’ Retiree Benefit Trust (CERBT)
   9.0.4 Appointment of Gabby Johnson to the Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

9.1 **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.

10. **CORRESPONDENCE**
    Official correspondence received by the Board, if any, is included herein. Copies of correspondence received within 72 hours of the meeting will be available at the meeting location.

11. **REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS, AND PRESENTATIONS**
    11.1 **Santa Cruz County Office of Education’s Administrators Kick-Off**
    This year the annual Administrators’ Kickoff for Santa Cruz County administrators was held on August 1st.

    Presenter(s): Dr. Angela Meeker, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services
12. **NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS**

12.1 **Approve Resolution #23-26 Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15 - Oct. 15)**
Each year our nation observes Hispanic Heritage Month, a commemoration started in 1968 and expanded in 1988 to cover the 30-day period of September 15 to October 15, with its first day commemorating the start of the Mexican War of Independence, leading to the independence of Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Honduras, and Nicaragua. The Santa Cruz County Board of Education recognizes the myriad advances Hispanic Americans continue to make in areas including education, medicine, art, culture, and public services in our community, state, and nation.

The Board is asked to recognize September 15 through October 15 as Hispanic Heritage Month and encourages all students, faculty, administrators, and parents, to remember and celebrate the contributions that Hispanic Americans have made to California and the United States.

Presenter(s): Sandra Nichols, Chair, Community Outreach, and Legislation Committee
Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools

Motion &
Roll Call Vote: Bruce Van Allen (President)

12.2 **Approve Resolution #23-27 National Suicide Prevention Month**
September is nationally recognized as Suicide Prevention month. Santa Cruz County Office of Education is committed to supporting the mental and emotional health of students and staff in Santa Cruz County. The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution #23-27 Recognizing National Suicide Prevention Month.

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools
Sandra Nichols, Chair, Community Outreach, and Legislation Committee

Motion &
Roll Call Vote: Bruce Van Allen (President)

13. **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**
County Superintendent Dr. Faris Sabbah will provide an update on activities and matters of interest.

14. **TRUSTEE REPORTS (3 minutes each)**
Trustees will report on matters, events, and activities related to Board goals of Advocating for students, maintaining community relations, and promoting student achievement.

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

16. **SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND UPCOMING EVENTS**
Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Regular Meeting
September 21, 2023
4:00 p.m.
17. ADJOURNMENT
President Van Allen will adjourn the meeting.

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