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**Mr. Ed Acosta • Ms. Alyssa Alto • Mr. Edward Estrada • Ms. Sandra Nichols**  
**Ms. Sue Roth • Mr. Abel Sanchez • Mr. Bruce Van Allen**

**Student Trustee: Mr. Oscar Alvarez-Delgado**

**Santa Cruz County Board of Education  
Special Board Meeting  
Thursday, November 9, 2023  
4:00 pm Closed Session  
Boardroom, Santa Cruz County Office of Education  
400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz CA 95060**

**APPROVED BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

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

Trustees Present:

Bruce Van Allen (President), Alyssa Alto, Edward Estrada, Sandra Nichols, Sue Roth, Abel Sanchez

Trustee Absent:

Ed Acosta

Staff Present:

Faris Sabbah (Secretary), Liann Reyes, Verenise Valentin

**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.

Trustee Alto requested to participate remotely due to an emergency circumstance preventing her from joining in-person.

A motion was made to approve Trustee Alto's remote attendance (Roth/Estrada 5-0-1-1).

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

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Superintendent Sabbah (Secretary) will lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented (Nichols/Roth 6-0-0-1).

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

**4. CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE**

President Van Allen disclosed that the Board, in closed session, discussed matters relating to an interdistrict transfer appeal as noted in item 5.1.

**5. CLOSED SESSION**

**5.1 Interdistrict Transfer Appeal #23-02**

The Board held an Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing concerning students wishing to attend school in the Santa Cruz City School District.

**6. REPORT OUT ON CLOSED SESSION**

President Van Allen reported that the Board took action to uphold the interdistrict transfer denial by Santa Cruz City School District (Nichols/Roth 6-0-0-1).

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

Santa Cruz County Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
November 16, 2023  
4:00 p.m.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

President Van Allen adjourned the meeting.