



**SANTA CRUZ**  
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**EDUCATION**  
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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**

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**Santa Cruz County Board of Education**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, January 18, 2024**  
**4:00pm**  
**Boardroom and/or Zoom**

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## **AGENDA**

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

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

Oscar Alvarez-Delgado (Student Trustee)

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: Sue Roth (President)

### **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Superintendent Sabbah 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 December 14, 2023

5.0.2 Donations

5.0.3 Alternative Education Court School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

5.0.4 Alternative Education Community School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

5.0.5 Alternative Education Career Advancement Charter School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

**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, if any, is included herein. Copies of correspondence received within 72 hours of the meeting will be made available at the meeting location.

**7. NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS**

**7.1 Approve Cabrillo College District & Santa Cruz County Office Of Education A Dual Enrollment Partnership Agreement**

This is an agreement with Cabrillo College district to collaborate with the County Office of Education beginning in the Spring 2024 semester to Summer 2027. The Board is asked to sign the agreement.

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
Denise Sanson, Executive Director, Career and Adult Learning Services  
Scott Keller, Coordinator, Career & Adult Learning Services

Motion &  
Voice Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**7.2 Approve Resolution #24-01 regarding Temporary Short-Term Cash Loans to Santa Cruz County School Districts**

Under Education Codes 42621 and 42622, County Offices of Education have the authority, with governing board approval, to make short-term cash loans to school districts that may not meet their cash-flow needs. The Board will be asked to approve a resolution to allow Santa Cruz COE to provide short-term loans to Santa Cruz County school districts experiencing cash-flow emergencies.

Presenter(s): Liann Reyes, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services

Motion &  
Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**7.3 Approve Resolution #24-02 Recognizing February as Black History Month**

Black History Month is a time for us to continue our collective journey honoring and deepening our knowledge of the history and contributions of Black Americans and people of African descent that have been marginalized from mainstream curricula and discussions because of our country's legacy of slavery, and institutional and structural racism. The Santa Cruz County Office of Education and the Board of Education is committed to valuing diversity and believes deeply that equity, respect and justice are central to the character of who we are, to the health of our democracy and to the well-being of our world.

The Board will consider approving Resolution #24-02 Recognizing February as Black History Month.

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

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**7.4 Approval of the 2024-2025 Budget Calendar**

The Board will be asked to approve the 2024-2025 Budget Development Process and Single Budget Adoption Timelines as submitted and recommended by administration.

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

Motion &

Voice Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**7.5 Approve Resolution #24-03 Proclaiming January 2024 as Human Trafficking Prevention Month**

Human trafficking is a public health issue and crime that affects individuals, families, and communities across generations, exploiting the most vulnerable among us and weakening our collective well-being. The Santa Cruz County Office of Education and the Board of Education encourages the community to learn more about how they can help prevent and stop human trafficking. The Board is asked to adopt this resolution.

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

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**7.6 Approve Resolution #24-04 Authorizing the COE into local agreement with the State of California**

This resolution must be adopted in order to certify the approval of the Governing Board to enter into this transaction with the California Department of Social Services for the purpose of providing child care and development services and to authorize the designated personnel to sign contract documents for Fiscal Year 2024-25.

Presenter(s): Dr. Angela Meeker, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

Motion &

Roll Call Vote: Sue Roth (President)

**8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Sabbah will provide an update on activities and matters of interest.

**9. 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.

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

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

Santa Cruz County Board of Education

Regular Meeting

February 15, 2024

4:00 p.m.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

President Roth will adjourn the meeting.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Public Participation:**

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