



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

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**Santa Cruz County Board of Education**  
**Special Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, March 20, 2024**  
**4:00 pm Open Session**  
**5:00 pm Closed Session**  
**Santa Cruz County Office of Education - Boardroom**  
**400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060**

**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  
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 sequence changes 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 on the agenda**. Each speaker **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.

**5. REPORTS AND DISCUSSIONS**

**5.1 EXPULSION APPEAL TRAINING**

The Board will receive training from School and College Legal Services of California regarding the Board's role in expulsion appeals.

Presenter(s): Dr. Faris Sabbah, County Superintendent of Schools  
Danielle Houck, General Counsel, School and College Legal Services of California

**6. CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE**

President Roth will disclose that the Board will, in closed session, discuss matters relating to an expulsion appeal hearing, as noted in item 7.

**7. CLOSED SESSION AT 5:00 PM**

**7.1 Expulsion Appeal Hearing #24-01**

The Board will conduct a closed hearing regarding Pajaro Valley Unified School District's (PVUSD) decision to expel a student.

Open, Conduct, & Close the Hearing: Sue Roth (President)

**8. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

**9. REPORT OUT ON CLOSED SESSION**

President Roth will report on any reportable action(s) taken by the Board in Closed Session.

**9.1 Report out on Decision on Expulsion Appeal Hearing #24-01**

The Board will report on any reportable action(s) taken by the Board in Closed Session in regards to Expulsion Appeal Hearing #24-01.

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

Santa Cruz County Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
March 21, 2024  
4:00 p.m.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

President Roth will adjourn the meeting.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**Public Participation:**

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