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**Mr. Ed Acosta • Mr. Greg Larson • Ms. Sue Roth**  
**Mr. Abel Sanchez • Mr. Bruce Van Allen • Ms. Rachel Williams**

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**Santa Cruz County Board of Education**  
**Special Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, August 27, 2025**  
**5:30 pm CLOSED Session**  
**Boardroom**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Any person wishing to make a public comment will have the opportunity to do so in-person during the meeting for up to two minutes each for any item listed on the agenda.

To submit a comment to be read aloud on your behalf on items listed on the meeting agenda, please send a comment no longer than 300 words to [vvalentin@santacruzcoe.org](mailto:vvalentin@santacruzcoe.org) no later than 4:00 PM on August 27<sup>th</sup>. Each individual may only make one comment per topic.

Cualquier persona que desee hacer un comentario público tendrá la oportunidad de hacerlo en persona durante la reunión, por hasta dos minutos cada uno, respecto a cualquier tema listado en la agenda.

Para enviar un comentario que se leerá en su nombre sobre los temas incluidos en la agenda de la reunión, por favor envíe un comentario de no más de 300 palabras a [vvalentin@santacruzcoe.org](mailto:vvalentin@santacruzcoe.org) a más tardar a las 4:00 p.m. del 27 de agosto. Cada persona podrá hacer solo un comentario por tema.

**AGENDA**

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

Abel Sanchez (President), Ed Acosta, Greg Larson, Sue Roth, Bruce Van Allen, Rachel Williams (Vice President)  
Faris Sabbah (Secretary)

**1.1 Board Member Remote Attendance Approval**

Per AB 2449, Trustees may participate in the Board meeting remotely under the following conditions:

- Just Cause, or Emergency Circumstances
- Board Approval

Motion &

Voice Vote: Abel Sanchez (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. CLOSED SESSION DISCLOSURE**

President Sanchez will disclose that the Board will, in closed session, discuss matters relating to two separate interdistrict transfer appeal hearings as noted in item 6.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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**6. CLOSED SESSION**

**6.1 Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing #25-03**

The Board will hold an Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing concerning a student wishing to attend school in the San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District.

Open, Conduct, & Close the Hearing: Abel Sanchez (President)

**6.2 Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing #25-04**

The Board will hold an Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing concerning a student wishing to attend school in the Live Oak School District.

Open, Conduct, & Close the Hearing: Abel Sanchez (President)

**7. REPORT OUT ON CLOSED SESSION**

President Sanchez will report on Closed Session and the Board will vote to take action, if needed, in public session.

**8. ACTION**

**8.1 Board Vacancy – Determination of Process for Filling Vacancy**

A vacancy has occurred on the Board for Trustee Area 4. Under Education Code §5091, when a vacancy arises, the Board must take action to determine how the vacancy will be filled. The Board has two options:

1. Call a Special Election – Order a special election to fill the vacancy.
2. Provisional Appointment – Call for and review applications from interested community members and make a provisional appointment, subject to potential petition for a special election.

Motion &  
Voice Vote: Abel Sanchez (President)

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

President Sanchez will adjourn the meeting.