



BOARD OF EDUCATION
Ms. Jane Royer Barr
Ms. Sandra Nichols
Ms. Sue Roth
Mr. Dana M. Sales
Mr. Abel Sanchez
Mr. Bruce Van Allen
Mr. George "Bud" Winslow

Santa Cruz County Board of Education
Santa Cruz County Office of Education
400 Encinal Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Regular Board Meeting
May 18, 2017
Time: 4:00 p.m.
Board Room

APPROVED MINUTES

1.0 CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Board Present

Abel Sanchez (President)
Bruce Van Allen (Vice-President)
Sandra Nichols
Sue Roth
Dana Sales
Michael Watkins (Secretary)

Staff Present

Faris Sabbah
Mary Hart
Mary Anne James
Jim Guss

Absent

Jane Barr

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Abel Sanchez (President) led the Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was M.S.C. (Sales/Van Allen) to approve the Agenda with item 7.2 Language Ambassadors being moved to item 7.1.

Ayes: Nichols, Roth, Sales, Van Allen, Sanchez
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Barr

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

5.0.1 Minutes of Board Meeting (with revision) held on April 20, 2017

5.0.2 Routine Budget Revisions

5.0.3 Donations

5.0.4 Treasurer's Quarterly Investment Report, Quarter Ended March 31, 2017

It was M.S.C (Nichols/Sales) to approve the Consent Agenda

Ayes: Nichols, Roth, Sales, Van Allen, Sanchez

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Barr

5.1 DEFERRED CONSENT ITEMS (if required)

None.

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

None.

7.0 RECOGNITIONS

7.1 Language Ambassadors

Sofia Sorenson, Coordinator, Curriculum and Instruction, presented to the Board students from Green Acres Elementary School and Pacific Elementary School who were being recognized as Language Ambassadors at their schools. This is the first year that this program was in place and it has been really successful. The goal of the program is to prepare students to be 21st century students who will be able to communicate in multiple languages with people around the world.

7.2 Santa Cruz County Educators of the Year

The Board recognized the following people as Educators of the Year for 2016-2017:

- Sheri Williams, Counselor and Program Coordinator, ROP
- Ricardo Vazquez, Teacher, Pajaro Valley High School
- Sharon Espinosa, Office Manager, Mountain Elementary School
- Cynthia Balthaser, Senior Director, Santa Cruz/Silicon Valley New Teacher Project

7.3 **Retirees**

The Board recognized 10 employees who will be retiring from the COE during the summer after many years of service.

8.0 **PUBLIC HEARINGS/NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS**

8.1 **Public Hearing: Proposed Countywide Charter School**

Abel Sanchez (President) opened the Public Hearing at 5:00 p.m. on the Proposed Santa Cruz County Career Advancement Charter School.

Faris Sabbah, Deputy Superintendent gave a five minute overview of the proposed Charter School. Six members of the public spoke in favor of the Charter School and there was no public opposition to the Charter School.

Abel Sanchez (President) closed the Public Hearing at 5:19 p.m. and stated that the Santa Cruz County Board of Education will consider approval of the Santa Cruz County Career Advancement Charter School at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on June 15, 2017.

8.2 **First Reading: Board Policy 3513 – Tobacco-Free Schools**

Faris Sabbah, Deputy Superintendent, presented Board Policy 3513, Tobacco-Free Schools, to the Board for approval. After some discussion, the Board accepted the proposed policy as submitted (with some minor typographical changes) and to waive a second reading.

It was M.S.C (Nichols/Sales) to approve Board Policy 3513, Tobacco-Free Schools.

Ayes:	Nichols, Roth, Sales, Van Allen, Sanchez
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Barr

8.3 **First Reading: Board Policy 5131 – Tobacco**

Faris Sabbah, Deputy Superintendent, presented Board Policy 5131, Tobacco, to the Board for approval. After some discussion, the Board accepted the proposed policy as submitted and to waive a second reading.

It was M.S.C (Sales/Nichols) to approve Board Policy 5131, Tobacco.

Ayes:	Nichols, Roth, Sales, Van Allen, Sanchez
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Barr

9.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

10.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

County Superintendent of Schools, Michael C. Watkins, provided an update on activities and matters of interest since his last report on April 20, 2017.

11.0 TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Roth advised the Board that she attended a CSBA/CCBE training session in Yolo County on the Charter Schools Deeper Dive.

Trustee Sales stated that he attended a budget meeting prior to the May Revise at Sequoia Schools with President Sanchez, Mary Hart, Deputy Superintendent Business Services and Rebecca Olker, Manager Internal Business Services.

Trustee Nichols did not have a report for this period.

Trustee Van Allen did not have a report for this period.

Trustee Sanchez notated that he had attended the math competition at Aptos High School and also attended the Language Ambassadors presentation that was held in the PVUSD Boardroom.

12.0 AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS (IF ANY)

None.

13.0 ADDITIONS, IF ANY, TO FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

None.

14.0 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND COMING EVENTS

June 7, 8, 9, 2017
9:00, 12:00, 3:00

Graduation: Alternative Education Department
Portuguese Hall

June 8, 2017
10:00 a.m.

Graduation: Special Education Department
COE Tech Center

June 15, 2017
4:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting of the County Board of Education
COE Boardroom

June 22, 2017
4:00

Special Meeting of the County Board of Education
COE Boardroom (LCAP)

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Abel Sanchez (President) adjourned the meeting at 5:44 p.m.