



BOARD OF EDUCATION
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 Ms. Sue Roth
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 Mr. Abel Sanchez
 Mr. Bruce Van Allen

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

Regular Board Meeting
 July 20, 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)
 Jane Royer Barr
 Sandra Nichols
 Dana Sales
 Michael Watkins (Secretary)

Staff Present

Faris Sabbah
 Leslie Kootstra

Absent

Rose Filicetti
 Sue Roth
 Mary Hart
 Mary Anne James
 Jim Guss

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Abel Sanchez (President) led the Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Jean Gardner, Senior Director, Fiscal Services, addressed the board regarding previous property transfers between Santa Cruz County and Santa Clara County. Ms. Gardner advised the Board that the California Department of Education and the Santa Cruz County Auditor’s office have been working with our office on how to resolve the tax issues between both counties concerning these old property transfers. Ms. Gardner stated that these entities have determined that the apportioned property taxes between the two counties can be corrected within this fiscal year and that there will be no loss of revenue for either county (simply a redistribution of funds).

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.0.1 Minutes of Board Meeting held on June 15, 2017
- 5.0.2 Minutes of Special Board Meeting held on June 22, 2017
- 5.0.3 Minutes of Special Board Meeting #1 held on July 6, 2017
- 5.0.4 Minutes of Special Board Meeting #2 held on July 6, 2017
- 5.0.5 Donations

Abel Sanchez (President) thanked all of the donors for their contributions to the COE's programs.

It was M.S.C. (Nichols/Sales) to approve the Consent Agenda (with clerical changes to items 5.0.3 and 5.0.4).

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

5.1 DEFERRED CONSENT ITEMS (If Required)

None.

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

The Board received correspondence from Mr. Paul Couture, Instructional Aide, Special Education Department, regarding his concerns about the Morgan Autism Center (MAC) regarding confidentiality and the release of student information. Ms. Deven Wood, Senior Director, Special Education, presented the Board with an overview of MAC and how the Special Education Department collaborates with their program. Deputy Superintendent, Faris Sabbah advised the Board that the Special Education Department/MAC is completely in compliance with the law concerning student confidentiality and the release of student information.

7.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

8.0 RECOGNITIONS

8.1 Bill Sunderland

The Board recognized Bill Sunderland for his 47 years of service to the Santa Cruz County Educational Community and his strong advocacy for Career Technical Education.

8.2 Gloria Moreno

The Board recognized Gloria Moreno for her 21 years of service to the Alternative Education Department and her work with the Teenage Mothers Program.

9.0 REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

9.1 School Attendance Review Board (SARB)

Michelle McKinny, Superintendent, Happy Valley Elementary School District and SARB Chairperson for the COE addressed the Board concerning SARB. Ms. McKinny stated that SARB supports all of the county's school districts to align their protocol and mediation courts. SARB created the Keeping Kids in School Committee to find ways to intervene and reduce truancy. SARB board members include: School Resource Officers, Child Protective Services Supervisors, supervisors and counselors from Encompass, staff from Children's Mental Health, the Probation Department, principals and assistant principals from different school districts throughout the County. SARB also uses Trauma Informed Care, which provides a learning environment rather than a punitive one.

10.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS/NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS

10.2 Adopt Resolution 17-12, Inclusion of Pacific Maritime Routes in 8th Grade History Curriculum

It was M.S.C. (Sanchez/Sales) to move Agenda Item 10.2 to 10.1.

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

Mr. Riccardo Gaudino, Education Director, Golden State History, asked the Board to consider adopting Resolution 17-12 in support of including Pacific Maritime Routes in 8th grade social science courses in all California schools. Mr. Gaudino stated that the opportunity to have the Pacific Maritime story accessible to youth, using Santa Cruz's cultural and historical heritage, would inspire teachers and positively impact the community by connecting the history of Santa Cruz with the nation.

It was M.S.C. (Van Allen/Nichols) to adopt Resolution 17-12 in support of including Pacific Maritime Routes in 8th grade Social Science courses in all California schools.

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

10.1 First Reading: Board Policy 5141 – Suicide Prevention

Faris Sabbah, Deputy Superintendent, presented Board Policy 5141, Suicide Prevention, to the Board for approval. Dr. Sabbah stated that the policy was written to follow the passing of AB 2246, a bill that requires the adoption of suicide prevention, intervention and follow-up plans by local California school districts with students in grades 7-12. Dr. Sabbah stated that this policy would become a part of the COE Safety Plan and that the COE would then work with our local school districts to ensure that they have suicide prevention as a part of their safety plan as well.

Trustee Van Allen stated that the Policy Committee was very favorable of the policy as presented, but would like to have the following verbiage added to the end of bullet point #1: “or primary grades (when appropriate)” in order for the policy to not limit support to just the secondary grades.

It was M.S.C. (Sales/Barr) to adopt BP 5141, Suicide Prevention, as amended and waive the second reading.

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

10.3 Adopt Resolution 17-13, Award of Two-Year Grant from the California Department of Rehabilitation

John Rice, Senior Director, Alternative Education, requested that the Board adopt Resolution 17-13 which will finalize a two year grant of \$268,996.00 from the California Department of Rehabilitation. The grant will allow the Alternative Education Department keep one work experience specialist to help in job placement for approximately 25-45 students with documented disabilities.

It was M.S.C. (Sales/Van Allen) to adopt Resolution 17-13, Award of Two-year Grant from the California Department of Rehabilitation.

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

11.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

County Superintendent of Schools, Michael Watkins, provided an update on activities and matters of interest since his last report on June 15, 2017.

12.0 TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Van Allen stated that he attended a meeting with the Housing Advocacy Network concerning the current housing crisis.

Trustee Nichols advised the Board that she has been elected as the President of the People’s Democratic Club of Santa Cruz County and that she attended the Policy Committee meeting.

Trustee Sales stated that the Watsonville Community Band is going to start a youth music program which will take place at Watsonville High School. 20 students (ages 6-15) will participate in the program at no cost to them. Five members of the band are donating their time to be the teachers for the program.

Trustee Barr stated that she does work in housing and has been working with local school districts in finding housing for teachers.

Trustee Sanchez attended the 4th of July Parade in Watsonville.

13.0 AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS

None

14.0 ADDITIONS, IF ANY, TO FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

None

15.0 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND COMING EVENTS

August 17, 2017 4:00	Regular Meeting of the County Board of Education 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
August 21, 2017 8:30 a.m.	SCCOE Employee Orientation Meeting 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
September 8-10, 2017 Portola Hotel & Spa	CCBE Annual Conference Monterey, CA
November 30 – December 2, 2017 Marriott Marquis Hotel	CSBA Annual Conference San Diego, CA

16.0 ADJOURNMENT

Abel Sanchez (President) adjourned the meeting at 5:20 p.m.