

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

Regular Board Meeting
August 17, 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
Rose Filicetti
Sandra Nichols
Sue Roth
Dana Sales
Michael Watkins (Secretary)

Staff Present

Faris Sabbah
Mary Hart
Mary Anne James
Jim Guss

Absent

None

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Abel Sanchez (President) led the Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Abel Sanchez (President) requested that Agenda Item 10.0, Superintendent Report, be moved to Item 4.0 as Superintendent Watkins needed to leave the Board meeting early.

It was M.S.C. (Barr/Van Allen) to approve the Agenda as amended.

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

4.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

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

5.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

None

6.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 6.0.1** Minutes of Regular Board Meeting held on July 20, 2017
- 6.0.2** Minutes of Special Board Meeting held on July 20, 2017
- 6.0.3** Minutes of Special Board Meeting held on July 27, 2017
- 6.0.4** Routine Budget Revisions
- 6.0.5** Treasurer's Quarterly Investment Report, Quarter Ended June 30, 2017
- 6.0.6** Donations

It was M.S.C. (Barr/Van Allen) to approve the Consent Agenda Items 6.0.1 and 6.0.2.

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

It was M.S.C. (Nichols/Filicetti) to approve Consent Agenda Item 6.0.3.

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

It was M.S.C. (Nichols/Filicetti) to approve Consent Agenda Item 6.0.4.

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

It was M.S.C. (Sales/Filicetti) to approve Consent Agenda Item 6.0.5.

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

6.0.6 - Donations was pulled from the Agenda.

6.1 DEFERRED CONSENT ITEMS (If Required)

None.

7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

None

8.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

9.0 REPORTS, DISCUSSIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

9.1 ROP Update on Year 3 of Transition

Mark Hodges, Senior Director, ROP and Jim Howes, Assistant Director, ROP, presented the Board with a thorough report on the current state of the ROP/CTE Program and their vision for ROP for 2017-2019. They included in their report their observations on how the Districts are handling the increasing costs of running the ROP Programs. Next year the Districts will be responsible for 100% of the ROP Program costs.

10.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS/NEW BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS

10.1 Adopt Resolution 17-15, To establish a Charter School Fund – Fund 09

Mary Hart, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services, presented Resolution 17-15 to the Board for approval. Resolution 17-15 would allow the Business Department to create a Fund 09 (to record revenue and other financial transactions) for the newly authorized Career Advancement Charter School.

It was M.S.C. (Barr/Filicetti) to adopt Resolution 17-15, to establish a Charter School Fund – Fund 09.

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

11.0 TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Van Allen stated that he has been working with different organizations concerning the severe housing crisis here in Santa Cruz County; especially affordable housing for teachers. Trustee Van Allen would like for a forum to be convened for school districts personnel to discuss how they can help teachers in their districts find affordable housing.

Trustee Nichols advised the Board that she attended the Education Focus Group Meeting held by Senator Bill Monning here at the COE. Trustee Nichols remarked on Senator Monning's willingness to listen and speak to the issues that the attendees are facing in education.

Trustee Sales stated that he attended the Senator Monning meeting as well and was very impressed by the Senator's taking time to listen to each of the attendees positive experiences and challenges as well. Trustee Sales also attended the final presentation of the Watsonville Community Band's Summer Youth Music Program which was a huge success. The Summer Program lasted for six weeks and included 40 students, 12 volunteers and many practice sessions of three or more hours. Trustee Sales stated that there is certainly a need for arts education in Santa Cruz County and that the students really want to participate in music.

Trustee Roth advised the Board that she too attended Senator Monning's meeting here at the COE. She also shared with the Board that she has been volunteering with the Girl Scouts and their Leadership Camp.

Trustee Filicetti shared with the Board that Pajaro Valley has brought music back to its Middle School curriculum. Trustee Filicetti also stated that she has been working for a long time with the Workforce Development Team of California Forward and they will be holding an economic summit in San Diego the first weekend in November.

Trustee Barr stated that Monterey Bay Economic Partnership held a press conference in Salinas to announce that they had raised \$11,250,000.00 for housing loans. Trustee Barr also participated in National Night Out which is a great event to get families out meeting one another and to strengthen community relations.

Trustee Sanchez shared with the Board that he has recently been listening to a Ted Talk on education and how we look at education concerning science. The challenge that is being faced is that science is not being taught in a format that students can relate to. Students either become bored or confused because they don't find science to be "relatable".

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 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
September 21, 2017 4:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the County Board of Education 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
October 19, 2017 4:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the County Board of Education 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
November 16, 2017 4:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the County Board of Education 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA 95060
November 30 – December 2, 2017 Marriott Marquis Hotel	CSBA Annual Conference San Diego, CA

16.0 ADJOURNMENT

Abel Sanchez (President) adjourned the meeting at 5:32 p.m.