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Subject: Superintendent's Monthly Report to the Board – December 20, 2018

The following matters and events have occurred since the Report of November 15, 2018

### **CSBA CONFERENCE**

I attended the annual CSBA Conference in San Francisco from November 28, 2018 to December 1, 2018. I attended multiple meetings with CSBA, CCEE and CAAASA. I also attended this year's Board Dinner on November 30, 2018.

### **COE ALL**

We held a COE ALL on December 3, 2018 to share with the staff the Strategic Plan. The staff worked in groups and came up with a number of ideas and suggestions. The Strategic Plan will be brought to the Board at the January 17, 2019 meeting.

### **NANCY KOTOWSKI RETIREMENT**

On December 4, 2018 I attended the retirement celebration for Monterey County Superintendent Nancy Katowski. Superintendent Katowski has served as Superintendent of Monterey County for the past 12 years.

### **CCEE ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AND CCEE MEETING**

I went to Sacramento from December 5-6, 2018 to attend the CCEE Advisory Council Meeting and my final CCEE Meeting. During the meeting we discussed our conflict of interest code, ongoing funding for the CCEE, the Annual Report, a proposal to improve the performance of students with disabilities, and an agreement with WestEd to design, build support and maintain an online platform for LCFF content.

### **SANTA CRUZ COUNTY MAYOR**

I was pleased and honored to swear-in my daughter Martine Watkins as the current Mayor of Santa Cruz during a city council meeting on December 11, 2018.

### **MANAGER'S MEETING**

We held Manager's Meeting on December 12, 2018. The focus of the meeting was on the Strategic Plan. Associate Superintendent Jivan Dahliwal shared her bio with the group and I gave a farewell talk to the management staff.

## **SCCS BOARD MEMBERS**

I was asked by Santa Cruz City Schools Superintendent Kris Munro to swear-in their new and re-elected District Board Trustees during their meeting at the COE on December 12, 2018.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S COUNCIL**

The Superintendent's Council meeting was held on December 13, 2018 at Café Cruz. It was a time for us to get together and share about the start of the school year and a time for me to say farewell to the group.

## **APTOS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BREAKFAST**

I attended the monthly Aptos Chamber of Commerce Breakfast on December 13, 2018. I was humbled to have been the keynote speaker and also recognized for my retirement.

## **PROPERTY ACQUISITION COMMITTEE**

I met with the Property Acquisition Committee on December 14, 2018 to discuss the details of possibly purchasing property next door to Sequoia School in Freedom.

## **INTERNATIONAL JAZZ WEEK 2019**

I met with local musician Prince Lawsha on December 15, 2018 to discuss International Jazz Week in April 2019. Each year, Mr. Lawsha and a group of international musicians tour a number of our elementary and high schools during International Jazz week and finalize their performances at the Santa Cruz Wharf.

## **COE HOLIDAY LUNCHEON**

The COE held its annual Holiday Luncheon on December 18, 2018 in the Tech Center. The luncheon was a huge success with everyone bringing their favorite holiday dishes to share. Afterwards, a number of employees participated in the always festive white reindeer gift exchange.

### **Regular Monthly Meetings**

**Special Education Coordinating Agency Meeting**  
**Meeting Migrant Head Start Videoconference**  
**Criminal Justice Council**  
**CCSESA Executive Board**  
**CCSESA Agenda Committee**  
**Force Manager's Meeting**

**Agriculture Board**  
**Children's Network**  
**S4C Steering Committee**  
**CCSESA Board of Directors**  
**CCSESA Accountability Task**  
**Adult Education Block Grant**