



BOARD OF EDUCATION
Mr. Jack Dilles
Mr. Aaron Hinde
Mr. Arnold Levine
Mrs. Kathy Mann
Mr. Vic Marani
Mr. Dana M. Sales
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
March 19, 2009
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Board Room, 400 Encinal St.

AGENDA

- 1.0 **CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**
Jack Dilles, Aaron Hinde, Arnold Levine, Kathy Mann, Vic Marani, Dana Sales (President), George Bud Winslow
Michael Watkins, Secretary
- 2.0 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Superintendent Watkins will lead recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance
- 3.0 **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
Agenda deletions and/or changes of sequence will be approved or the agenda will be approved as submitted.
- 4.0 **REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE**
This is an opportunity for the public to address the Board regarding items not on the agenda. The Board President will recognize any member of the audience not previously placed on the agenda who wishes to speak on a matter directly related to school business. Each speaker on any specific topic may speak up to three (3) minutes unless otherwise limited or extended by the President. The President may allot time to those wishing to speak but no action will be taken on matters presented (E.C. Section 35145.5). If appropriate, the President, or any Member of the Board, may direct that a matter be referred to the Superintendent's Office for placement on a future agenda. Please refer to item, *Please Note*, on the last page of this agenda.
- 5.1 **CONSENT AGENDA**
All items appearing on the consent agenda are recommended actions which are considered to be routine in nature and will be acted upon as one motion. Specific items may be removed for separate consideration. Item(s) removed will be considered immediately following the consent agenda motion as Deferred Consent Items.
 - 5.1.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 19, 2009
 - 5.1.2 Routine Budget Revisions
 - 5.1.3 Declaration of Surplus Equipment
 - 5.1.4 Donations
- 5.2 **DEFERRED CONSENT ITEMS (if required)**
This item is placed on the agenda to address any items that might be pulled from Agenda Item 5.1 for further discussion/consideration if so determined.

5.3 CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence from Lisa Hyde, President, Soquel High Fund, regarding state budget cuts.

Presenter: President Sales

5.4 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

County Superintendent of Schools Michael C. Watkins will provide an update on activities and matters of interest.

5.5 PUBLIC HEARING: 2009-2010 INITIAL NEGOTIATIONS PROPOSALS

President Sales will open and conduct a public hearing to obtain public comment relative to the 2009-2010 negotiations proposals as "sunshined" at the public meeting of the Board on February 19, 2009. (E.C. 3547(b)) Public comment is sought regarding the following:

- a) 2009-2010 Initial Negotiations Proposal from the County Superintendent of Schools to the Santa Cruz County Teachers' Association;
- b) 2009-2010 Initial Negotiations Proposal from the Santa Cruz County Teachers' Association to the Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools;
- c) 2009-2010 Initial Negotiations Proposal from the County Superintendent of Schools to the California School Employees Association, Chapter 484;
- d) 2009-2010 Initial Negotiations Proposal from the California School Employees Association, Chapter 484 to the Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools

Open Public Hearing: President Sales

Conduct Public Hearing: President Sales

Presenter: Barney Finlay, Associate Superintendent

Close Public Hearing: President Sales

5.6 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There is no unfinished business to conduct.

5.7 NEW BUSINESS and ACTION ITEMS

5.7.1 Board Vote: 2009 CSBA Delegate Assembly Election

The Board will take action relative to casting the Board's vote for California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly Election for County Region 9, County Delegate.

Presenter: President Sales

5.8 REPORTS/DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

5.8.1 Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 2008-09 Second Interim Financial Report

E.C. Section 1240(j) requires that the Superintendent certify the Second Interim Financial Report and present it to the Board in a public meeting for review prior to filing the report with the State Department of Education.

Presenter: Barney Finlay, Associate Superintendent, Business Services
Jean Gardner, Director, Fiscal Services
Harley Robertson, Supervisor, Internal finances

5.8.2 Program Report – New Teacher Project

Report of departmental programs and activities.

Presenters: Allison Gold, Project Coordinator
Cynthia Balthasar, Program Director
Marney Cox, Assistant Program Director

5.8.3 Report: Best Practices: Closing the Achievement Gap

The Board will receive a presentation relative to the study of Best Practices of California School Districts as a model to closing the achievement gap, student Proficiency and addressing social issues in Santa Cruz County school districts.

Presenter: Mr. Bill Beecher

5.8.4 Report: District and ROP Visual and Performing Arts Classes

The Board will receive information relative to Regional Occupational Program and district operated visual and performing arts classes and placement of both in district schools.

Presenter: Annette Lanni

5.8.5 Committee Reports

5.8.5.1 Agenda Committee

Report if required.

Presenter: President Sales

5.8.5.2 Community Outreach and Legislative Committee

Report on committee activities.

Presenter: Trustee Marani, Committee Chair

5.8.5.3 Board Policy Committee

Report on committee activities.

Presenter: Kathy Mann, Chair

5.8.5.4 Board President's Report

President Sales will report on matters and activities relevant to the Board.

5.8.5.5 Board Trustee Reports

Trustees will report on matters, events and activities of interest.

5.9 Additions, if any, to Future Board Agenda Items

The Board may give direction regarding placement of future Board agenda items.

- a) Board Oversight Role of Pacific Collegiate Charter School
- b) District Average Daily Attendance Projections
- c) Special Education Transportation – information item

Request for additional items: President Sales

6.0 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS and COMING EVENTS

Saturday, March 21, 2009 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Science Fair Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium
Tuesday, March 24, 2009 11:15 a.m.	DUI in Schools Castanoa High School, Brancifort Ave. Corner of N. Branciforte and Water Streets
Thursday, March 26, 2009 6:00 p.m.	Senator Joseph Simitian Presentation County Office of Education
Monday, March 30, 2009 7:00 p.m.	Science Fair Awards Ceremony Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium
Thursday, April 16, 2009 2:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the County Board of Education Santa Cruz County Office of Education, Board Room
Saturday, May 2, 2009 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Santa Cruz County Math Competition Aptos High School
Saturday, May 2, 2009 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Student Authors' Fair Capitola Mall
Friday, May 15, 2009 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.	Environmental Fair Tech Center, Santa Cruz County Office of Education
Thursday, May 21, 2009 2:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the County Board of Education Santa Cruz County Office of Education, Board Room
Thursday, May 21, 2009 5:00 p.m.	Math Competition Awards Ceremony Santa Cruz County Office of Education, Tech Center

Thursday, June 18, 2009
2:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting of the County Board of Education
Santa Cruz County Office of Education, Board Room

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Sales will adjourn the meeting.

PLEASE NOTE:

Public Participation:

All persons are encouraged to attend and, when appropriate, to participate in meetings of the Santa Cruz County Board of Education. If you wish to speak to an item on the agenda, please be present at the beginning of the meeting as any item, upon motion, may be moved to the beginning of the agenda. Persons wishing to address the Board are asked to state their name for the record. The president of the Board will establish a time limit of three (3) minutes, unless otherwise stated by the president, for comments from the public. Consideration of all matters is conducted in open session except those relating to litigation, personnel and employee negotiations, which, by law, may be considered in closed session. Expulsion appeal hearings are heard in closed session unless a request for hearing in open session is made by the appellant.

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