



BOARD OF EDUCATION
 Ms. Jane Royer Barr
 Mr. Jack Dilles
 Ms. Sandra Nichols
 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
 March 17, 2016
 Time: 4:00 p.m.
 Board Room

APPROVED MINUTES

1.0 ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

<u>Board Present</u>	<u>Staff Present</u>
Jack Dilles	Troy Cope
Sandra Nichols	Jim Guss
Dana Sales	Mary Hart
Abel Sanchez	Mary Anne James
Bruce Van Allen	Rebecca Olker
Michael Watkins, Secretary	Heather Hutchison
	Maria Castro
<u>Board Absent</u>	Cindy Holmes
Jane Royer Barr (President)	John Armstrong
George Bud Winslow	Michelle Coffman

2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Superintendent Watkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was M.S.C. (Nichols/Sales) to approve the agenda as submitted.

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

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

Michelle McKinny, Superintendent, Happy Valley Elementary School District, thanked Superintendent Watkins, George Lopez, Director of Maintenance and Operations and Brian Sluggett, Maintenance Specialist, for their support, guidance and leadership through several facility failures at Happy Valley School, which included septic failure, a flooded classroom and major water and gas main failure under a portable classroom. Ms. McKinny also voiced her appreciation for the assistance of Jean Gardner, Sr. Director, Fiscal Services and Marilyn Latorraca, Financial Analyst for their assistance, as well.

5.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.0.1** Minutes of Board Meeting of February 18, 2016
- 5.0.2** Routine Budget Revisions
- 5.0.3** Donations
- 5.0.4** Surplus Materials

It was M.S.C. (Nichols/Dilles) to approve the consent agenda as submitted.

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

5.1 DEFERRED CONSENT ITEMS (if required)

There were no deferred consent items.

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

7.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mary Hart, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services, provided an update on the Green Valley School project, stating the drywall was complete, including tape and texture. Work was being done in front of the school and the sidewalk has been poured. The project completion date is targeted for May 24, 2016, assuming there are no delays.

8.0 REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS and PRESENTATIONS

8.1 Student Recognition

Dorrie Stallings, Alternative Education Teacher, recognized Zac Clayman, a student of the Oasis program, for his selfless act of bravery and exemplary leadership for the rescue of an Aptos resident, Mr. Garcia. She commended him for his split second decision to do the right thing in that very moment. She explained that Zac climbed 250 feet down a cliff and stayed with Mr. Garcia until emergency services arrived. Ms. Stallings thanked Zac for being aware and a Good Samaritan. Zac arrived later in the meeting where Superintendent Watkins and the Board thanked him personally for his heroic efforts.

8.2 Employee Recognition

Mary Anne James, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services, recognized Maria Castro, Manager, Migrant/Seasonal Head Start, for being the recipient of the 2016 National Migrant Seasonal Head Start Association Plate of Bounty Award, awarded to only one person every two years from a host of nominations. Maria was recognized for her 30 years of exemplary service working for migrant workers and their families.

8.3 Santa Cruz County Office of Education, 2015-16 Second Interim Financial Report

Mary Hart, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services, presented the 2015-16 Second Interim Financial Report as required by E.C. 1240(j), noting the Santa Cruz County Office of Education had a positive certification for the period ending January 31, 2016.

9.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS/NEW BUSINESS and ACTION ITEMS

9.1 Adopt Resolution 16-2: Rescinding Resolution No. 15-11, Approving the Refunding of 2007 Certificates of Participation and Authorizing Execution of Related Trust Agreement, Escrow Agreement, Site Lease, Lease Agreement, and Approving Delivery and Sale of Not to Exceed \$11,000,000 Principal Amount of 2016 Refunding Certificates of Participation and Related Documents and Matters

Following a presentation by Craig Hill, NHA Advisors, it was M.S.C. (Dilles/Nichols) to approve the refinancing of the outstanding 2007 Certificates of Participation, with a minimum savings requirement of 5% net present value.

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

9.2 Adopt Resolution 16-3: In Support of the Library Facilities Revenue Measure for the Santa Cruz Public Library System

George Wylie, San Lorenzo Valley Trustee, addressed the Board, noting the library system in Santa Cruz County is in poor shape and in need of work. He encouraged the Board to adopt the resolution supporting the Library Facilities Revenue Measure, which will appear on the June 7, 2016 ballot.

It was M.S.C. (Van Allen/Dilles) to adopt Resolution 16-3 In Support of the Library Facilities Revenue Measure for the Santa Cruz Public Library System.

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

9.3 Adopt Resolution 16-4: Recognizing Support for the My Name, My Identity National Campaign

Mary Anne James, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services, referred to the Santa Clara County Office of Education press release regarding the My Name, My Identity National Campaign, an initiative designed to build a more inclusive, respectful culture by asking educators and community members to make a pledge honoring students, neighbors and coworkers by promising to learn how to pronounce their names correctly. Santa Clara County Office of Education was the first County Office to join the campaign and are eager for their regional neighbors to join.

Following comments, it was M.S.C. (Nichols/Sales) to adopt Resolution 16-4: Recognizing Support for the My Name, My Identity National Campaign.

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

9.4 Approve Local Plan for Educator Effectiveness Funds

As required, the local plan for the Educator Effectiveness funds was presented in a public meeting of the governing board of the Santa Cruz County Office of Education on February 16, 2016. Mary Anne James asked the Board if there were any further questions. There being none, it was M.S.C. (Nichols/Sales) to approve the Local Plan for Educator Effectiveness Funds.

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

9.5 Third Reading: Board Policy 7310 – Naming of Facility

Modification and new polices may be adopted by the County Board of Education following a first and second reading by the Board. The Board may accept the proposed policy as submitted, move forward to take action; order changes, or order changes and bring back for a final reading.

Following discussion and minor changes, it was M.S.C. (Nichols/Sales) to approve Board Policy 7310 Naming of Facility, as amended.

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

9.6 Schedule a Special Board Meeting to Comply with the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Requirements

The Board agreed to schedule a Special Board meeting on June 23, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. to comply with Education Code 52062 (b)(2), which requires the Board to adopt an LCAP or annual update to the LCAP in a public meeting after, but not the same day as, the public hearing. This meeting shall be the same meeting which the Governing Board adopts a budget.

9.7 Superintendent Salary Schedule

Trustee Sales reported that the Superintendent Compensation Subcommittee met twice, with excellent presentations and assistance from staff. The committee compared salaries of superintendents in like class four counties, the two largest school districts in Santa Cruz County, and the Monterey County Office of Education and San Mateo County Office of Education, as referenced in Administrative Regulation 4360 (AR 4360).

Trustee Dilles explained that AR 4360 allows the creation of a five-step salary schedule and that the committee is in full support of their recommendation of placing Superintendent Watkins on Step 3 of the recommended salary schedule included in the committee report.

Following further discussion, it was M.S.C. (Dilles/Sales) to place Superintendent Watkins on Step 3 of the committee recommended salary schedule, paid retroactively to January 1, 2016, and increased annually on January 1st every year thereafter.

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

10.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

County Superintendent of Schools, Michael C. Watkins, provided an update on activities and matters of interest since his report of February 18, 2016.

11.0 TRUSTEE REPORTS (3 minutes each)

Trustee Nichols reported that she thoroughly enjoyed reading to students at San Lorenzo Elementary in celebration of Literacy Day. She was also excited to be invited to participate in an input session for pathways to bi-literacy, led by Sofia Sorenson. She also attended the Together for Kindergarten event on March 16th.

Trustee Sales reported that he attended two Superintendent Salary Committee meetings.

Trustee Van Allen reported that he was sorry he was unable to attend the Science and Engineering Fair.

Trustee Dilles thanked Superintendent Watkins for his gracious introduction and the Santa Cruz Democratic dinner, where he was honored as Democrat of the Year. He also attended the opening reception of the Kinsey Collection at the Santa Cruz Museum of Art History, noting it was a great event and the artwork and historical documents are incredible. Trustee Dilles attended the Falcon Club Hold-Em Poker tournament fundraiser and attended the Santa Cruz County School Boards Association meeting, where CSBA Board President, Chris Unger was the guest speaker. Mr. Dilles reminded the Board that the Scrabble Tournament will take place on Saturday in the Law Library in the county building.

Trustee Sanchez shared his experience working as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), noting many students move several times a year and it can be difficult for them to obtain school credits. He stated he was proud of the work the SCCOE does to assist students with credit recovery. He also attended the Science and Engineering Fair, where he enjoyed seeing kids with so much passion for science.

12.0 AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS (if any)

There were no ad hoc committee reports.

13.0 ADDITIONS, IF ANY, TO FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

14.0 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS and COMING EVENTS

March 16, 2016 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.	“Together for Kindergarten” Event New Brighton Middle School
March 19, 2016 8:30 a.m.	Scrabble Tournament Santa Cruz Law Library
March 22, 2016 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	County Science and Engineering Fair Awards Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium
March 31, 2016 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Board Site Visits
April 21, 2016 4:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the County Board of Education
May 19, 2016 4:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the County Board of Education

15.0 ADJOURNMENT

Vice-president Sanchez adjourned the meeting at 6:00 p.m.