



**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  
 June 16, 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	John Armstrong
Sandra Nichols	Denise Sanson
Dana Sales	John Rice
Abel Sanchez	Michael Paynter
Bruce Van Allen	Heather Hutchison
George Bud Winslow	Rebecca Olker
Jane Royer Barr (President)	Jim Guss
Michael Watkins, Secretary	Mary Hart
	Mary Anne James
	Cindy Holmes

**2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mary Hart led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

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

**4.0 PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

**5.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

- 5.0.1** Minutes of Board Meeting of May 19, 2016
- 5.0.2** Routine Budget Revisions
- 5.0.3** Donations

Following President Barr’s acknowledgment and appreciation for donations received, it was M.S.C. (Dilles/Sales) to approve the consent agenda.

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

**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 new school project located on Green Valley Rd., Watsonville. Ms. Hart reported that anticipated completion of the school to be mid July. There is currently a lot of moisture in the gymnasium floor. Carpets are down and cabinetry is 90% complete. The electricity has been turned on, but the gas has not. Regarding an inquiry from President Barr regarding the contingency, Ms. Hart responded that there are two “buckets” for the contingency. There is approximately \$75k left on the contractor’s side and approximately \$350k remaining on the COE side. There is still furniture and more to purchase.

**8.0 RECOGNITION**

**8.1 Employee Retirement**

Superintendent Watkins and the Board recognized retiring employee, Dorothy Raab, Sr. Director, Special Education, for her years of service.

Superintendent Watkins introduced Deven Wood as the new Director of Special Education.

**9.0 INTRODUCTION**

Superintendent Watkins introduced Faris Sabbah, Ed.D., as the Deputy Superintendent of the Santa Cruz County Office of Education. Dr. Sabbah began his career as an Instructional Aide, was a high school social studies teacher, worked as the Regional Director of the Migrant Education Program at the Pajaro Valley Unified School District for 14 years, and has been an Assistant Superintendent at the Monterey County Office of Education for the past two years. Dr. Sabbah stated he was excited and humbled to be able to contribute the SCCOE.

**10.0 PUBLIC HEARINGS/NEW BUSINESS and ACTION ITEMS**

**10.1 Public Hearing: Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)**

This public hearing was held to solicit recommendations and comments from members of the public regarding the specific actions and expenditures proposed by the Local Control Accountability Plan of the Santa Cruz County Court and Community Schools. (Education Code 52062(b)).

John Armstrong, Director of Alternative Education, and Denise Sanson, Assistant Director of Alternative Education presented the Santa Cruz Court and Community Schools LCAP.

President Barr opened the public hearing. There being no public comment, the public hearing was closed.

**10.2 Public Hearing: Santa Cruz County Office of Education 2016-2017 Budget**

Mary Hart, Deputy Superintendent of Business Services, presented the Santa Cruz County Office of Education’s 2016-2017 Budget for public comment. (E.C. 1620 et seq., 42103).

President Barr opened the public hearing. There being no public comment, the public hearing was closed.

**10.3 Approve Consolidated Application 2016-17**

Following a presentation by John Rice, Senior Director, Alternative Education, it was M.S.C. (Dilles/Winslow) to approve the 2016-2017 Consolidated Application.

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

**10.4 Approve State of California Department of Rehabilitation Resolution**

Following a presentation by Michael Paynter, Manager, Student Support Services, it was M.S.C. (Van Allen/Nichols) to approve the resolution authorizing Superintendent Watkins to sign and execute any and all documents required by DOR to effectuate the execution of said Agreement and all amendments.

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

**11.0 REPORTS/DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS**

**11.1 Informational: Gold Ribbon Schools**

Mary Anne James, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services, provided a presentation on Gold Ribbon Schools. 15 elementary schools in Santa Cruz County were presented with the Gold Ribbon Award by State Superintendent of Schools, Tom Torlakson. Schools who received the award were Bonny Doon School, Del Mar Elementary School, Green Acres Elementary School, Live Oak Elementary School, Mountain School, Rio Del Mar Elementary School, Boulder Creek Elementary School, San Lorenzo Valley Elementary School, Bay View Elementary School, DeLaveaga Elementary School, Gault Elementary School, Westlake Elementary School, Brook Knoll Elementary School, Vine Hill Elementary School, and Soquel Elementary School.

**11.2 Informational: Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grant**

Mary Anne James, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services, announced that the SCCOE was awarded a \$805,608 grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to help support the mission and vision of the county's TK-16 educational collaborative, Santa Cruz County College Commitment.

**11.3 Discussion: Grand Jury Report**

In response to the Grand Jury Report, Superintendent Watkins stated that in 2008 Safe Schools was one of the programs collapsed in to flexible funding when the Governor collapsed Tier 3. The SCCOE has provided a number of trainings to districts in regard to Safe Schools. In addition, the SCCOE has outfitted every classroom in the county with emergency preparedness kits, at no expense to the districts, in case of a lockdown situation, though not legally required to do so. Superintendent Watkins stated the report alludes to the SCCOE having district oversight, but in reality it is not shall, but may. Superintendent Watkins stated the SCCOE will provide professional development to districts for those who wish to take advantage of it.

Trustee Sales indicated he was concerned the Grand Jury report indicates that the SCCOE is required to oversee districts Safe School plans, though we are not.

Trustee Dilles indicated his concern about setting a precedence to do something we are not required to do.

With a formal response due to the Grand Jury by August 22, 2016, Superintendent Watkins stated he would have a formal response for the board to review at the July Board meeting.

**12.0 SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

County Superintendent of Schools, Michael C. Watkins, provided an update on activities and matters of interest since his report of May 19, 2016.

Trustee Nichols inquired about adult education. Following discussion, it was requested Adult Education present at a future meeting.

**13.0 TRUSTEE REPORTS (3 minutes each)**

Trustee Nichols reported she attended three graduations, two Alternative Education ceremonies and the Watsonville/Aptos Adult Education graduation.

Trustee Winslow reported that he enjoyed attending graduation ceremonies.

Trustee Sales reported that he attended Alternative Education graduation ceremonies. He also thanked Superintendent Watkins for speaking to his group of realtors.

Trustee Dilles attended the Santa Cruz Pride Parade. He also noted his wife, Lisa Dilles, who retired at the end of the school year as principal of Green Acres Elementary, was honored by the Live Oak School Board after 29 years of service. Trustee Dilles attended two Alternative Education graduation ceremonies, and was touched by the stories and statements from graduates.

Trustee Van Allen was unable to attend graduations because it was elections week, and was pleased to report the passage of the Live Oak School District parcel tax.

Trustee Sanchez reported that he enjoyed attending both the Watsonville/Aptos Adult Education and Pacific Collegiate School graduations. He also spoke at Cal State Monterey Bay to a group of 30 graduating seniors. And he volunteered at the polls on elections day, noting it was great to see the turnout.

Trustee Barr reported she attended the public hearing to name the new school. She also attended three graduation ceremonies. Trustee Barr noted the tragedy in Florida, hoping we can teach tolerance, strive to get along and provide for one another.

**14.0 AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS/ACTIONS (if any)**

There were no ad hoc committee reports.

**15.0 ADDITIONS, IF ANY, TO FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS**

It was requested that the response to the Grand Jury be placed on the July agenda.

It was also requested that a presentation regarding Adult Education be placed on a future agenda.

**16.0 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS and COMING EVENTS**

June 23, 2016 2:00 p.m.	Special Meeting of the County Board of Education Santa Cruz County Office of Education
July 21, 2016 4:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the County Board of Education Santa Cruz County Office of Education
August 18, 2016 4:00 p.m.	Regular Meeting of the County Board of Education Capitola City Council Chambers 420 Capitola Ave., Downstairs Capitola, CA 95010

- 17.0** **ADJOURNMENT**  
President Barr adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael C. Watkins  
Secretary to the Board