

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS  
December 14, 2016**

**Convene Closed Session**

Board President Thompson called this Regular Meeting Closed Session to order at 5:30 p.m. in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

**Public Comments for Closed Session Agenda Items**

Westlake Classified Employee Monika Adam advocated for an agreement between SCCS and the SCCCE using the current proposals from negotiating teams.

**Convene Open Session**

Board President Thompson called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:37 p.m. in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

**Attendance at Meeting**

Sheila Coonerty	Deedee Perez-Granados	Jeremy Shonick	Alisun Thompson
Patty Threet	Deb Tracy-Proulx	Claudia Vestal	

Student Representative: Aayliah Wilson, Costanoa High School

Absent: Student Representative Steve Munoz: Soquel High School

Kris Munro, Superintendent

Patrick K. Gaffney, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Molly Parks, Assistant Superintendent, Human resources

Frank Wells, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

Members of the Audience

**Welcome and Format**

Board President Thompson welcomed those in attendance and explained the format used for this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

**Oath of Office for Returning Board Members**

Superintendent Munro led Trustees Coonerty, Threet and Vestal, who were- appointed to return as Board Members following their unopposed bids for election, through the Oath of Office.

**Agenda Changes**

Board Recording Secretary Lentz pointed out a typo in the numbering of the Consent Agenda that will be corrected in the minutes for this meeting. Superintendent Munro noted a typo on the cover sheet for the PTOC Bylaws and corrected the referenced date.

**Superintendent's Remarks Prior to Public Comments**

None

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Westlake Principal Curley reported a “Family Night of Code” tomorrow evening for school site families. Trustees are invited. GSCFT President Kirschen is happy to report that faculty approved the tentative agreement reached with the District by a wide margin. President Kirschen thanked the Negotiating Team for a smooth process that can set a new tune for future negotiations. Harbor High School LMT Shannon Greene expressed appreciation for the textbook clerk positions that were approved by the Trustees last spring. Having this support has allowed District Library Media Teachers to spend more time collaborating with teachers and directly supporting students. Harbor Parent and JV Soccer Coach Granados asked the Trustees to consider building out the soccer field capacity to accommodate all the teams that require field time. Santa Cruz Education Foundation Representative Rocco Cappella advocated for more computer science education opportunities for students. The SCEF is considering a forum in January or February 2017 to further discuss opportunities.

## **SUPERINTENDENT’S and STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES’ REPORTS**

### **Superintendent’s Report**

On November 29<sup>th</sup>, Measure A & B Campaign success was celebrated. The Superintendent expressed her thanks to campaign chairs Mary Anne Robb and Dave Shuman and to all of the many volunteers that made it a great success. Superintendent Munro and Board President Thompson met with Senator Bill Monning to discuss the impacts of the Local Control Funding Formula on this district as compared to other districts and to discuss needs for our school community. Board Members Perez-Granados, Thompson, Tracy-Proulx and Vestal, as well as Superintendent Munro and Board Recording Secretary Lentz attended the California School Boards Association Annual Education Conference in San Francisco on December 1-3. It was an informative, educational and inspiring experience and the Superintendent especially enjoyed the opportunity to learn more about faculty/staff housing opportunities from districts currently working on projects. Since the Board last met, the Superintendent has attended two additional SECA Operations Meetings and feels confident that compromises will be reached to make the program costs more equitable for all districts. On December 12, Ms. Parks, along with Live Oak Superintendent Taylor and San Lorenzo Valley Superintendent Bruton, met with UCSC Executive Vice Chancellor Herbie Lee to discuss concerns about the reductions in the UCSC Credentialing Program and possible next steps. The District has had some members of our community express concern about the release of our Student Directory Information. Superintendent Munro clarified that this information, which includes only name, address and phone number, has both board policy and a clear procedure in place to allow students to opt out of the sharing process and Santa Cruz City Schools does not keep records of students’ legal status. The Superintendent is pleased to share that SCCS has reached a tentative agreement with the GSCFT K-12 Unit and acknowledged both negotiating teams for their collaborative work at the table.

### **Student Representative’s Report**

Student Representative Wilson reported four Senior Projects are ready for presentation; the ROP Justice Food Justice Class met today and worked on an agricultural project with Monarch Elementary Students. Fundraiser today: jewelry and tamales sales. There will be a Holiday party on December 23 at the Small Schools campus. In Science class students are working on Styrofoam airplanes – mathematics and science together. Small Schools Campus is hosting Friday Projects. Rice/potato/corn cooking projects have begun for Costanoa students. Costanoa students collaborate with each other a great deal and the students really appreciate it.

\*Note – Student Wilson left this meeting at 7:08 p.m.

## **BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

### **Board Members' Reports**

Board Member Vestal thought the CSBA Conference was great – full of interesting information. At the Delta High School Board Meeting, the 1<sup>st</sup> Interim Report was accepted and the Principal's goals were presented to the Board. Ms. Vestal visited Bay View and found engaged students who are proud of their school. Schools Plus grant proposals were reviewed; 20 projects were chosen from throughout the county. Honored to serve another four years on the Board of Education – thank you.

Board Member Threet thanked Mr. Gaffney and Ms. O'Farrell for their wonderful presentations at the Study Sessions on November 16 and December 7. Trustee Threet thanked the community for the passing of Measures A & B – the election results have been certified and are official. Ms. Threet is looking forward to the Classified Reclassification Study. Former Soquel HS Water Polo Player Jack Picard is now part of the Cal Berkeley NCAA National Champion Water Polo Team – congratulations on this achievement. The Soquel HS Community would like me to include for the minutes of this meeting that they are excited about the opportunity for a new pool and would like to see this community join together to become a real force as a swim community for students. Thank you to the Community for allowing me to serve another four years.

Trustee Perez-Granados has enjoyed the Study Sessions in November and December. Dr. Perez-Granados has also become part of the Budget Advisory Committee. Dr. Perez-Granados is pleased to be part of a positive budget discussion. The CSBA Conference was very informative and inspiring and Dr. Perez-Granados looks forward to sharing information with her colleagues in the near future.

Board Member Tracy-Proulx offered thanks to Kris, Fe Silva-Robles, Nereida Robles Miriam Campos for putting together the Information Forum at Harbor High School last Friday – it was heartfelt and appreciated by our community members. Ms. Tracy-Proulx enjoyed the CSBA Annual Conference – wonderful learning opportunities.

Board Member Coonerty will attend the annual Bay View Holiday Party tomorrow and is looking forward to it. Dr. Coonerty is proud to serve another four years on the Board of Education and has learned so much during her time as a Trustee for the District. To be able to serve on behalf of public education is a wonderful thing to be able to do; to work positively for the future of our children.

### **Board President's Report**

Board President Thompson attended an ELAC meeting in November where many parents expressed concern over immigration policies in the future – thank you to the administrators who were very clear to the community regarding our support of students. Dr. Thompson also attended the Harbor High School Immigration Forum and appreciated the event. It is important for our community to know that we will continue to be inclusive for all of our students and families. Dr. Thompson attended the Youth Empowerment Service (YES) Conference in San Francisco – great day. Special thanks to the chaperones who volunteer for a very long Saturday event on behalf of students. Steve Kopald coordinates SCCS participation. Dr. Thompson enjoyed the CSBA Annual Conference – especially the sessions on Teacher Recruitment. Dr. Thompson was pleased to see that we are ahead of the curve in terms of recruitment practices. The conference was an excellent professional development opportunity.





**8.3.5. New Business: Resolution 15-16-17 Certification of Election Results – Measure A**

Mr. Gaffney reported that on November 8, 2016, Santa Cruz voters approved Measure A, a bond measure for \$140 million to benefit the High School District, in the County’s general election. A margin of 55% was required for passage. Measure A was approved by voters with a margin of 75.80%, demonstrating the community’s continuing support of its schools. The Resolution documents the results of the election and orders entry of the results in the Board minutes. It also certifies that the election complied with all legal requirements, and requests that the County Clerk of the Board deliver a copy of the Resolution to the County Superintendent of Schools, and that the County Superintendent deliver a copy of the Resolution to the Clerk of the County Board of Supervisors. Measure A will generate revenue of \$140 million. Dr. Coonerty moved approval of the resolution and Ms. Vestal seconded the motion. The motion was passed by roll call vote, as follows:

**Roll Call Vote:** Coonerty – Yes      Perez-Granados – Yes      Shonick – Yes      Thompson – Yes  
Threet – Yes      Tracy-Proulx – Yes      Vestal – Yes

**8.3.6. New Business: Certification of Election Results – Measure B**

Mr. Gaffney reported that on November 8, 2016, Santa Cruz voters approved Measure B, a bond measure for \$68 million to benefit the Elementary School District, in the County’s general election. A margin of 55% was required for passage. Measure B was approved by voters with a margin of 79.50%, demonstrating the community’s continuing support of its schools. The Resolution documents the results of the election and orders entry of the results in the Board minutes. It also certifies that the election complied with all legal requirements, and requests that the County Clerk of the Board deliver a copy of the Resolution to the County Superintendent of Schools, and that the County Superintendent deliver a copy of the Resolution to the Clerk of the County Board of Supervisors. Measure A will generate revenue of \$68 million. Ms. Tracy-Proulx moved approval of the resolution and Dr. Perez-Granados seconded the motion. The motion was passed by roll call vote, as follows:

**Roll Call Vote:** Coonerty – Yes      Perez-Granados – Yes      Shonick – Yes      Thompson – Yes  
Threet – Yes      Tracy-Proulx – Yes      Vestal – Yes

**8.3.7. New Business: Annual Board Organization**

**Board President:** Board Members Threet and Tracy-Proulx expressed interest in the position of Board President. Dr. Perez-Granados and Dr. Coonerty both expressed that they would not be able to fulfill this role in the coming year and did not want to be considered. Ms. Threet and Ms. Tracy-Proulx spoke respectively to their qualifications for the role of President. Following discussion and questions, Mr. Shonick moved approval of Ms. Threet for Board President and Dr. Coonerty seconded the motion. The vote was 3-4, and the motion did not carry. Dr. Thompson, Dr. Perez-Granados, Ms. Vestal and Ms. Tracy-Proulx voted no. At the conclusion of this vote, Dr. Coonerty moved approval of Ms. Tracy-Proulx for Board President and Dr. Perez-Granados seconded this motion. The vote was 6-1 and Ms. Tracy-Proulx was approved as Board President for the coming year. Mr. Shonick voted no.

**Board Vice President:** Ms. Tracy-Proulx nominated Dr. Perez-Granados for Vice President. Dr. Perez-Granados declined the nomination. Dr. Perez-Granados asked Ms. Threet if she would be interested in serving as the Vice President of the Board of Education. Ms. Threet declined. Dr. Thompson said that she would be happy to serve as the Board Vice President. Dr. Coonerty nominated Dr. Thompson for Vice President and Ms. Vestal seconded the motion. The motion was approved 7-0.

**Board Clerk:** MSP (Tracy-Proulx/Vestal) 7-0, Superintendent Munro was approved as the Clerk of the Board for the coming year.

**9. Adjournment of Open Session**

There being no further Open Session business to come before the Trustees, Board President Thompson adjourned this Open Session of the Regular Meeting at 8:27 p.m.

**10. Return to Closed Session**

The Board of Education returned to Closed Session at 8:28 p.m.

**11. Reporting out on Closed Session Actions**

Board Vice President Thompson reported that:

6. The Board of Education heard an update and provided direction regarding the AMA.
7. The Board of Education heard an update and provided direction regarding the Confidential Unit.
8. The Board of Education did not hear information on a Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint.

**12. Adjournment of Meeting**

There being no further Open or Closed Session business to come before the Trustees, Board President Tracy-Proulx adjourned this Regular Meeting at 8:39 p.m.

**Board Meeting Schedule Information**

1. The Regular Meeting on January 18, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
2. The Regular Meeting/Board Study Session on January 25, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
3. The Regular Meeting on February 1, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
4. The Regular Meeting on February 15, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
5. The Regular Meeting on March 8, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
6. The Regular Meeting on March 29, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
7. The Regular Meeting on April 19, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
8. The Regular Meeting/Board Study Session on April 26, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
9. The Regular Meeting on May 10, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
10. The Regular Meeting/Governance Session on May 31, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in Room 312 of the District Office, 405 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA.
11. The Regular Meeting on June 14, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.
12. The Regular Meeting on June 28, 2017, 6:30 p.m., will be held in the County Office of Education Board Room, 400 Encinal Street, Santa Cruz, CA.

\* ***For more details about this meeting, please visit our district website and listen to the meeting recording:***

**<http://www.sccs.santacruz.k12.ca.us/about-us/board-of-education/agendas-a-minutes.html>**

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent  
Santa Cruz City Schools

Alisun Thompson, President  
Board of Education