

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION  
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS  
APRIL 14, 2021**

**Convene Closed Session**

Board President Vestal called this Closed Session Meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**Public Comments for Closed Session Agenda Items**

None

**Convene Open Session**

Board President Vestal called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:31 p.m.

**Attendance at Meeting**

Sheila Coonerty	John Owen	Cindy Ranii	Deb Tracy-Proulx
Patricia Threet	Claudia Vestal		

Absent: Trustee Jeremy Shonick  
Student Board Representative Sophie Nigh  
Student Board Representative Xhu Lopez Guzman

Kris Munro, Superintendent  
Dorothy Coito, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services  
Molly Parks, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
Jim Monreal, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services  
Members of the Audience

**Welcome and Format**

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

**3.2. Agenda Changes, Additions, or Deletions & Announcements**

Agenda Item 8.3.5. Fieldturf Change Order 1: Mission Hill Middle School Athletic Field Replacement was pulled from the agenda to be brought back at a later meeting date.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Katie Rowye-Karyis, Activities Director at Santa Cruz High School shared an update on the transition to Hybrid Instruction. She said overall they had a smooth transition and being back on campus has fostered a sense of hope among students. Ms. Rowye-Karyis also shared about the activities in place to foster connection and community on campus.

Josie Aspromonte, Junior at Santa Cruz High School, thanked the Board for their work to allow students to return to school. She also shared that Santa Cruz High ASB are exploring ways to give seniors a COVID safe prom.

Richika Akula, Junior at Santa Cruz High School, addressed the board to share her experience in hybrid instruction. She shared it has been a positive experience to return to campus and see teachers and peers in person and is in a better mindset to learn.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

### **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Munro began her report by sharing an update on the federal waiver for modifying assessments in the spring. Secondary schools are working to finalize their master schedules for next school year, and online Advanced Placement testing is scheduled for May. The District continues recruiting and hiring for the 2021-22 school year, and staff are training substitute teachers for Hybrid Instruction. School sites plan to offer the SAT for high school students in May and June. Athletic seasons are fully underway, and the District has established surveillance testing for high contact sports. The District continues to provide telehealth counseling and weekly support groups for students. The District is actively hiring for the 2021-22 school year and staff continue to prepare for summer school and fall interventions. Superintendent Munro attended the SECA meeting where they worked on refining language in the special education funding model. The District continues to collaborate with Dignity Health by hosting a community vaccination clinic at Branciforte Middle School. Dignity Health will also provide vaccines for students ages 16-18 beginning next week. Finally, Superintendent Munro shared about the recent specialized webinars hosted by the District. One was for Spanish speaking families in collaboration with Senderos on April 2 and another on April 6 for all families with local medical experts.

### **Student's Report**

None.

## **BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

### **Board Members' Reports**

Trustee Ranii shared her appreciation for staff and students' resilience, and their efforts and compassion to make the next steps in expanding in person services possible.

Trustee Coonerty shared her excitement at seeing students return to school and thanked staff for their work. Trustee Coonerty also attended the Superintendent's Student Advisory on Race & Equity and expressed how impressed she was to hear from the students and see their dedication and enthusiasm. She shared support for their ideas and said she is excited to hear more from this group.

Trustee Threet reported it is exciting to have students back on campus. Many high school students have shared they are looking for news regarding prom and graduations. Trustee Threet also shared her appreciation of the high school administration for their hard work.

Trustee Owen expressed heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has worked to expand in person services. Trustee Owen shared that he is hopeful for the light at the end of the tunnel.

Vice President Tracy-Proulx thanked the speakers from Santa Cruz High School for attending and sharing their experience and shared her hopes to hear from more students in the future.

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

Board President Vestal thanked the two community pediatricians who spoke at the recent family webinar, stating their communication was clear and informative. President Vestal also attended a meeting of the Superintendent's Student Advisory on Race and Equity and commended the group for their work this year and said she is looking forward to hearing more from them.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

None.

### **GENERAL PUBLIC BUSINESS**

#### **Consent Agenda**

8.1.1.1. Third Quarter Williams Report, 8.1.2.1. Purchase Orders, Bids, & Quotes, 8.1.2.2. Warrant Register, 8.1.2.3. Budget Transfers, 8.1.2.4. Wellness Committee Annual Report, 8.1.2.5. Disposition of Surplus Property, 8.1.2.6. Bond Projects Notice of Completion, 8.1.3.1. Personnel Actions—Certificated, 8.1.3.2. Personnel Actions—Classified, 8.1.3.3. Designation of California Interscholastic Federation League Representatives for 21-22, 8.1.4.1 Gifts, 8.2.1.1. Low Performing Block Grant: Amendment, 8.2.2.1. ABA Building Services Proposal Primary School Daily Restroom Cleaning Services, 8.2.2.2. Miller Maxfield Lease Agreement: 133 Mission Street, 8.2.2.3. Crowe LLP Agreement for 2020-21 District Audit and Measures A & B Bond Audits, 8.2.2.4. Development Group Inc. Proposal: Secondary School Pixellot Cable Installation, 8.2.2.5. Geo. H. Wilson Proposal: DeLaveaga Elementary School Generator Gas Piping, 8.3.1 Alliance Roofing: Proposal: Soquel High School Gutters, 8.3.2. Bartos Architecture: Change Order 1: Santa Cruz High School Utility Infrastructure, 8.3.3. Best Contracting Services, Inc.: Contract: Soquel High School Re-Roof Project, 8.3.4. Development Group Inc.: Proposal: District Wide Exterior Wireless Access, 8.3.6. Geo H Wilson: Proposal: Bay View Elementary School Drinking Fountain, 8.3.7. HB Restoration, Inc.: Contract: Westlake Elementary School Exterior Painting, 8.3.8. K & D Landscaping, Inc.: Contract: Westlake Elementary School Entry Landscape, 8.3.9. M3 Environmental: Proposal: Westlake Elementary School Boiler Room Inspection, 8.3.10. MBC Enterprises Inc.: Contract: Santa Cruz High School Underground Utility Replacement, 8.3.11. PSR Electric: Proposal: Soquel High Water Heater Installation, 8.3.12. Serrano's Expert Tree Service, Inc.: Proposal: Santa Cruz High School Arborist Services, 8.3.13. The Garland Company, Inc.: Proposal: Soquel High School Roofing Materials

Trustee Coonerty motioned to approve the consent agenda, except for items 8.2.2.2. Miller Maxfield Lease Agreement: 133 Mission Street, 8.3.1 Alliance Roofing: Proposal: Soquel High School Gutters, and 8.3.13. The Garland Company, Inc.: Proposal: Soquel High School Roofing Materials. Trustee Ranii seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

Coonerty – Yes	Owen – Yes	Ranii – Yes	
Shonick – Absent	Threet – Yes	Tracy-Proulx – Yes	Vestal – Yes

Trustee Ranii motioned to approve item 8.2.2.2. Miller Maxfield Lease Agreement: 133 Mission Street. Vice President Tracy-Proulx seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

## **Roll Call Vote:**

Coonerty – Yes

Owen – Yes

Ranii – Yes

Shonick – Absent

Threet – Abstain

Tracy-Proulx – Yes

Vestal – Yes

## **Acknowledgement of Gifts**

The Board acknowledged and thanked the Santa Cruz High School Band Boosters, for their donation of a 23' trailer to transport band equipment for events and activities.

## **Closed Session Items**

### **Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session**

Board Vice President Tracy-Proulx reported the following actions during closed session:

1. Ms. Parks shared information with the Board on Certificated/Classified/Management Leaves, Retirements, Resignations & Appointments.
2. Ms. Parks did not have information to share regarding Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaints.
3. Ms. Parks provided an update and received direction from the board regarding GSCFT negotiations.
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5. The Board discussed a public employee performance evaluation (Govt. Code Section 54957)

## **ITEMS TO BE TRANSACTED AND/OR DISCUSSED**

- 8.6.1.1. Staff Report: Update on Expanding In-Person Services & Academic Interventions and Support**  
Superintendent Munro reviewed Santa Cruz County's COVID data and gave an update on Hybrid instruction. Superintendent Munro reviewed the District's phased plan for returning to school. The District is currently in phase 4, with a plan to move into phase 5 – in person instruction five days per week -- in the elementary schools on April 19. The District is finalizing its Multi-Year Intervention plan and a COVID resources Study Session will be held on April 21. Staff continue to engage stakeholders as they write Santa Cruz City Schools' Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant, which will be presented to the Board at the May Budget Study Session. Trustees asked questions and had discussion.
- 8.6.2.1. Staff Report: High School Next Generation Science Standards Update**  
Assistant Superintendent Coito and Director of Secondary Curriculum and Instruction Hodges provided an update on the Next Generation Science Standards High School curriculum adoptions for Biology, Chemistry, and Physics. All three subject area adoptions are Next Generation Science Standard aligned. Director Hodges shared the strengths of the curricula, as well as needs and next steps to continue a successful science curriculum implementation. Trustees asked questions and had discussion. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board.
- 8.6.2.2. Staff Report: Bay View Additional Targeted Support and Improvement and Costanoa Comprehensive Support and Improvement Update**  
Assistant Superintendent Coito introduced Directors of Curriculum & Instruction Hodges and Calden, and Principals Garcia, Leal and McKinney, to present the update on Bay View's Additional Targeted Support and Improvement and Costanoa's Comprehensive Support and Improvement. Principal Yvette Garcia shared the metrics designating Bay View as an Additional

Targeted Support and Improvement School. The Bay View Staff has been working together to increase achievement for all students. They have been engaged in professional development in math and English Language Arts, which will help all students to be more successful. In addition, staff has focused on using data to better understand the needs of their students. Principal McKinney and Assistant Principal Leal discussed Costanoa's dashboard data that designated them for Comprehensive Support and Improvement. Strategies and steps to improve Costanoa's dashboard data include continuation of campus wide Restorative Justice practices, increasing CTE on campus, and implementation of Project Based Learning to support math and English Language Arts. Trustees asked questions and had discussion. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the Board.

**8.6.3.1. Staff Report: Soquel High School Performing Arts Center Update**

Assistant Superintendent Monreal introduced Soquel High School Principal O'Meara and Madi 19.6 Architects. The presenters provided a programming and schematic design update on the new Performing Arts Center at Soquel High School. They shared the input process from the community and topics that will be discussed at upcoming committee meetings. Trustees asked questions and had discussion. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the board.

**8.3.1. Alliance Roofing: Proposal: Soquel High School Gutters**

Assistant Superintendent Monreal and Director of Facilities Miller presented information on the Alliance Roofing proposal for the Soquel High School gutters which was pulled from the consent agenda for further discussion. The proposal consists of cleaning and repair of the gutters on the 300 building, including the removal of debris and sediment, and applying sealant to all joints. Trustees asked questions and had discussion.

MSP(Threet/Ranii) 6-0, the Board of Education approved Alliance Roofing Proposal: Soquel High School Gutters

**8.3.13. The Garland Company, Inc.: Proposal: Soquel High School Roofing Materials**

Assistant Superintendent Monreal and Director of Facilities Miller presented information on the Garland Company proposal for Soquel High School's roofing materials which was pulled from the consent agenda for further discussion. The proposal consists of materials for the low-sloping roof replacement at Soquel High School. Trustees asked questions and had discussion.

MSP(Ranii/Owen) 5-1, the Board of Education approved The Garland Company, Inc. Proposal: Soquel High School Roofing Materials.

**8.6.4.1. New Business: Resolution 32-20-21: Final Reduction in Particular Kinds of Service**

Assistant Superintendent Parks presented Resolution 32-20-21. At the regular meeting on March 10, 2021, the Board approved Resolution 25-20-21 to reduce 1.0 FTE of particular kinds of service. Employees were notified of preliminary layoffs. Human Resources were able reduce the FTE reduction from 1.0 to .20 FTE. Assistant Superintendent Parks recommended approval of Resolution 32-20-21. Trustees asked questions and had discussion.

MSP(Tracy-Proulx/Coonerty) 6-0, the Board of Education approved Resolution 32-20-21: Final Reduction in Particular Kinds of Service.

#### **8.5.5.2. Potential Items for Futures Agenda**

Trustee Coonerty asked the governance team to consider how they might recognize and commemorate the loss experienced by the community due to COVID-19.

#### **9. Adjournment of Meeting**

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Vestal adjourned this Regular Meeting at 9:35 p.m.

#### **Board Meeting Schedule Information**

1. The Regular Meeting on April 14, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
2. The Study Session on April 18, 2021, 9:00 a.m., will be held remotely via Zoom
3. The Study Session on April 21, 2021, 6:00 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
4. The Study Session on April 28, 2021, 6:00 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
5. The Regular Meeting on May 5, 2021, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
6. The Study Session on May 26, 2021, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
7. The Regular Meeting on June 2, 2021, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.
8. The Regular Meeting on June 16, 2021, 6:30 p.m., at the Santa Cruz County Office of Education, and will be broadcast to the public remotely via Zoom.

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

[http://sccs.net/board\\_of\\_education](http://sccs.net/board_of_education)

Respectfully submitted,

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Santa Cruz City Schools

Claudia Vestal, President  
Board of Education