

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SANTA CRUZ CITY SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY DISTRICTS
OCTOBER 21, 2020**

Convene Closed Session

Board President Ranii called this Closed Session Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Public Comments for Closed Session Agenda Items

None

Convene Open Session

Board President Ranii called this Regular Meeting Open Session to order at 6:30 p.m.

Attendance at Meeting

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

Student Board Representative Sophie Nigh

Absent: 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 Ranii welcomed those in attendance and explained the format used for this Regular Meeting of the Board of Education. President Ranii reviewed the meeting norms and meeting agreements and reminded all of the importance of maintaining the norms and agreements for effective governance.

3.2. Agenda Changes, Additions, or Deletions & Announcements

Superintendent Munro requested that Item 8.3.3. Resolution 16-20-21: Emergency Provision to Forgo Bid Process and Geo H. Wilson Quote: District Wide Air Balance and Equipment Survey Report be moved from Consent to Open Session.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Teacher Kathy Chaput from Bay View Elementary addressed the construction complications at Bay View Elementary. Ms. Chaput stated that a letter was sent to the Board regarding this issue that includes images of the construction. Ms. Chaput stated that teachers' storage needs are not being met with the construction. Ms. Chaput emphasized that she does not want any funding for other projects to be used at the expense of the storage.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Munro reported attending the Santa Cruz County College and Career Collaborative Steering Committee Meeting, as well as the Queer Youth Leadership Awards Virtual Event. District staff has been conducting home visits to families affected by the CZU Fires. Athletic Directors are preparing to start competitive sports. Superintendent Munro also reported on the small cohorts have started at Gault Elementary School and other sites will be adding cohorts in the coming weeks. Superintendent Munro also attended the SECA Operations Committee meeting in which SELPA funding models were evaluated. District Office Administration also hosted the Parent Leader Dinner in which attendees provided input on Distance Learning and student engagement. Superintendent Munro also addressed that Adult Education is significantly impacted at this time and suggested that parents could use their student's Chromebook for Adult Education during non-school hours to participate in Adult Education classes.

Student's Report

Student Board Representative Sophie Nigh reported that Soquel High School has been working on bettering community engagement. There is an upcoming event for the students to decorate the school for Día de Los Muertos. Student Representative Nigh also reported on a fundraiser at Panda Express to support Career Readiness.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board Members' Reports

Trustee Vestal reported that she attended the Queer Youth Leadership Awards Virtual Event. Trustee Vestal acknowledge a quote from a student who stated, "I speak up for equity because I want everyone to feel safe."

Trustee Threet thanked those who reached out from the community and addressed the plans to discuss rental fees. Trustee Threet also acknowledged the death of Soquel Elementary School Teacher and community member Anna Seliskar and stated she will be missed.

Trustee Owen stated that he may have to step away from the meeting from time to time as he is on site for the Luna Fire in New Mexico.

Trustee Shonick addressed the death of Harry Dong, a local photographer who photographed many students in the Santa Cruz area for many years. Trustee Shonick stated that he was shocked to hear of his death and that he will be missed by all in the community.

Vice President Coonerty did not have a report to share.

Trustee Tracy-Proulx did not have a report to share.

Board President's Report

Board President Ranii acknowledged that it is Administrator Appreciation Week. President Ranii expressed her appreciation for the Administrative Team at Santa Cruz City Schools for their dedication during this challenging time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. MSP (Vestal/Coonerty), 5-0, the Board of Education approved the Minutes of the October 7, 2020 meeting. Trustee Shonick and Trustee Tracy-Proulx abstained from voting as they were absent from the October 7 meeting.

GENERAL PUBLIC BUSINESS

Consent Agenda

8.1.1. Personnel Actions - Certificated, 8.1.2. Personnel Actions - Classified, 8.1.3. Purchase Orders, Bids, & Quotes, 8.1.4. Warrant Register, 8.1.5. Budget Transfers, 8.1.6. Disposition of Surplus Property, 8.1.7. Budget Development Calendar, 8.1.8. First Quarter Williams Report, 8.1.9. LGBTQ Task Force Update, 8.1.10. Costanoa High School: Single Plan for Student Achievement, 8.1.11. Revised Classified Job Description: Office Assistant – District Office, 8.1.12. Gifts, 8.2.1.1. Out of State Travel Request, 8.2.1.2. Consultant Services Agreement: Trauma Informed Professional Development Services, 8.2.1.3. Agreement for Professional Services: Speechrighter, Inc., 8.3.1 CRW Industries: Change Order 1: Natural Bridges ADA Walkway, 8.3.2. Enviroplex: Change Order 1: Branciforte Small Schools Alternative Family Education, 8.3.3. Resolution 16-20-21: Emergency Provision to Forgo Bid Process and Geo H. Wilson Quote: District Wide Air Balance and Equipment Survey Report, 8.3.4. Geo H Wilson: Quote: Westlake Elementary School Sewer Repairs, 8.3.5. Kleinfelder: Change Order 1: Westlake Elementary School Lower Campus Wheelchair Lift Replacement Testing, 8.3.6. M3 Environmental: Proposal: Harbor High School Hazardous Materials Inspection of Arts Building Roof, 8.3.7. Mobile Modular: Quote: Branciforte Small Schools Alternative Family Education Building Removal, 8.3.8. Moore Twining: Proposal: Santa Cruz High School Underground Utility Replacement Special Inspection and Materials Testing, 8.3.9. Oneida Air Systems: Quote: Santa Cruz High School Dust Collector.

Vice President Coonerty motioned to approve the consent agenda except for items 8.1.10. Costanoa High School: Single Plan for Student Achievement, 8.2.1.2. Consultant Services Agreement: Trauma Informed Professional Development Services and 8.3.3. Resolution 16-20-21: Emergency Provision to Forgo Bid Process and Geo H. Wilson Quote: District Wide Air Balance and Equipment Survey Report. Trustee Owen seconded the motion.

The motion was passed by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call Vote:

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

Closed Session Items

Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

Board Vice President Coonerty 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 any information to share with Trustees regarding Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaints.

3. The board acknowledged and thanked Bookshop Santa Cruz for their donation of gift cards for families impacted by the CZU Fire.

ITEMS TO BE TRANSACTED AND/OR DISCUSSED

8.5.1.1. Staff Report: Reopening Plan Update

Staff provided an overview on the efforts the district has made to support students during distance learning and to reopen schools. Superintendent Munro shared about the agreement with Stanford Hospital to administer COVID tests for staff. Small cohort implementation is underway. Gault Elementary school began cohorts on October 19 and other sites will follow later in the month. Assistant Superintendent Coito addressed input from the community and stakeholders about the reopening of school. A final commitment form was sent out to parents earlier in the week to procure updated data on whether parents will be sending their students back to school when it reopens in January. Trustees asked questions and had discussion. The report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the board.

Public Comment: GSCFT President Casey Carlson addressed the board and expressed her concern for the teachers regarding the reopening the schools on January 4th, and asked that the board reconsider moving the date back to give teachers more time to prepare for in person instruction. Ms. Carlson acknowledged that it is not an ideal situation for any party and requested that the focus of reopening be kept at the local level.

Public Comment: District teachers and staff members addressed the Board to express their concerns about the reopening of school. Concerns included feeling unprepared for the shift in teaching pedagogy, worries about health and safety measures on campus, increased workload for teachers, difficulties for employees with young children, and concerns for at risk populations.

Public Comment: High School parent Dusten Dennis addressed the board about reopening schools. Mr. Dennis stated that his son is eager to go back to school next semester and noted that there are negative side-effects to students staying home. Mr. Dennis also noted that school incidents of infection are low and that he hopes the district will stay on track for the January reopening.

Public Comment: High School parent Filipina Warren addressed the board and expressed her desire to have the district receive more input from the parents and students on the reopening. Ms. Filipina stated that she is in favor of the live streaming and expressed that she hopes the reopening will not be delayed.

Public Comment: Parent and COVID-19 Nurse Rebecca Silberman addressed the board regarding the reopening of schools in January. Nurse Silberman stated that the concerns she has been hearing from teachers are valid, and suggested that teachers have a meeting with health professionals to address their concerns and to come up with a model for hybrid learning. Nurse Silberman stated she would not send her child to school if she did not believe it was safe.

Public Comment: Community member Rocco Cappalla addressed the board on the reopening of schools in January. Mr. Cappalla stated that parents should be asked to weigh in on the reopening and that teachers and students should be given the option to return. Mr. Cappalla

expressed concern about the lack of clarity on the options available and the data being used to support the reopening.

8.5.2.1. Staff Report: Goals and Metrics Update

Assistant Superintendent Coito and Directors of Curriculum Calden and Hodges presented the District's Goals and Metrics. The purpose of having metrics for each of the District Goals is to have a way of measuring the district's success in meeting these goals each year. Ultimately, these metrics are a way of measuring the impact on student learning and whether student needs are being met or not. Assistant Superintendent Coito acknowledged that some of the metrics presented this school year are not available due to impact of COVID-19 and the need to shift to distance learning last spring. Trustees asked questions had discussion. The report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the board.

Public Comment: Community Member Rocco Cappalla asked a question about the scope of the social-emotional health data presented in the district goals and metrics.

8.5.2.2. Staff Report: SAIL Program Update

Special Education Director Stacy O'Farrell and Program Specialist Staci Lacagnin provided an update on the SAIL program.. Students Achieving Independence and Life Success (SAIL) is a district operated Special Education program for students with behavioral and emotional challenges who require social emotional and behavioral intervention throughout the school day. The SAIL program, throughout all grade spans, incorporates a consistently applied behavioral support system and explicitly taught social skills and social emotional learning to build student skills. The highly dedicated and skilled staff maintain high academic and behavioral expectations for students and support them as they work through challenges while teaching prosocial and appropriate behaviors so that they can return to less restrictive placements and participate in general education with their same-age peers. The SAIL Team has been focused on addressing the social-emotional needs of the students and have found opportunities to teach and connect with the students, particularly during distance learning. Trustees asked questions and made comments. The report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the board.

8.1.10 Costanoa High School: Single Plan for Student Achievement

Superintendent Munro introduced Principal Michelle McKinney, Assistant Principal Naima Leal, and Secondary Director of Curriculum Julia Hodges to answer questions from the board. Costanoa is designated as a Comprehensive Support and Improvement school due to their ratings on the 2019 California Dashboard. Costanoa's Dashboard data shows a high suspension rate, low graduation rate, and low rates of College and Career Readiness. Due to the fact that Costanoa has been designated by the state as a school in need of Comprehensive Support and Improvement, Costanoa's Single Plan for Student Achievement specifically addresses this concern and uses their steps for improving outcomes for Costanoa students. Trustees asked questions and made comments.

Public Comment: Community Member Rocco Cappalla expressed his gratitude for the plan at Costanoa High School. Mr. Cappalla inquired about the issues of the students before reaching high school and inquired if those students could receive interventions an earlier age.

MSP(Coonerty/Vestal) 7-0, Costanoa High School's Single Plan for Student Achievement was approved.

8.2.1.2. Consultant Services Agreement: Trauma Informed Professional Development Services

Former Santa Cruz City School Principals Lysa Tabachnick and Kristin Pfothenauer will provide Trauma Sensitive Practices training to teachers during Professional Learning Communities and will create three different Trauma Sensitive videos to train other staff. Trauma Sensitive/Informed Practice is an organizational structure and framework that involves understanding, recognizing, and responding to the effects of all types of trauma. Trauma Informed Practice also emphasizes physical, psychological and emotional safety for students and helps them rebuild a sense of control and empowerment. Trauma Informed Practice is an evidenced based practice to build a culture of community between adults and students, students to students, and adults to adults.

MSP(Coonerty/Vestal) 6-1, the Consultant Services Agreement for Trauma Informed Professional Development Services was approved.

8.5.3.1. Staff Report: Bond Budget Update

Mark Bartos of Bartos Architecture and Assistant Superintendent Monreal presented an update on the Bond Measures A and B budgets. This report was informational in nature and no action was taken by the board.

Public Comment: Soquel High School Site Bond Committee member Michelle Bradley addressed the board stating that as a committee member she has been unclear of her role on the committee. She requested that a clear charge be given to community and committee members and requested greater transparency for future projects.

8.5.3.2. Staff Report: Preliminary CBEDS Report 2020-21

Assistant Superintendent Monreal presented the District's preliminary CBEDS Report. The California Basic Educational Data System (CBEDS) is an annual data collection administered on the first Wednesday of October. This year CBEDS Information day was on October 7. The purpose of CBEDS is to collect demographic information on students, faculty and district employees. This year, District enrollment numbers are down due to both the COVID-19 pandemic and the CZU Fire. The District has until December 2020 to validate these numbers. This report was information in nature and no action was taken by the board.

8.5.3.3. New Business: Resolution 15-20-21 Establishing Measures T & U Oversight Committee and Oversight Committee Bylaws

On March 3, 2020, the voters of the District approved, by more than two-thirds voting in favor, Measures "U" (Elementary School District) and "T" (High School District) (together, the "Measures"). Each Measure approved the levy of an education parcel tax on parcels within the respective District. Each Measure included a commitment that an independent citizen's oversight committee would be established for the purpose of reviewing expenditure of parcel tax proceeds to ensure they are spent only for the specific uses enumerated in the Measures. The purpose of this item is to replace the existing citizen's oversight committee with a new

citizen's oversight committee, and to adopt bylaws and operational guidelines for the new citizen's oversight committee.

Public Comment: Community Member Rocco Cappalla inquired if the 700 Form for the could also be required of Parcel Tax Oversight Committee members.

Trustee Threet motioned to revisit the Parcel Tax Oversight Committee Bylaws on the November 4, 2020 Regular Board Meeting. Trustee Tracy-Proulx seconded the motion.

MSP(Threet/Tracy-Proulx) 4-3, the motion to revisit the committee bylaws at the November 4, Regular Board meeting was approved.

8.3.3. Resolution 16-20-21: Emergency Provision to Forgo Bid Process and Geo H. Wilson Quote: District Wide Air Balance and Equipment Survey Report

Assistant Superintendent Monreal presented Resolution 16-20-21. Resolution 16-20-21 will allow the district to forgo the bid process on emergency needs and provisions. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the District needs to assess ventilation and filter options, to safely prepare for the return to in-person instruction. This proposal consists of a survey and engineering evaluation of all existing heating and/or cooling equipment throughout the District to determine proper ventilation and filter options.

Public Comment: Union President Casey Carlson Casey Carlson addressed the board about the importance of the ventilation system and requested that teachers be able to review the results of the test before returning to in-person learning.

Public Comment: Community Member Rocco Cappalla expressed concerns about the projected timeline of the project.

MSP(Tracy-Proulx/Owen) 7-0, Resolution 16-20-21: Emergency Provision to Forgo Bid Process and Geo H. Wilson Quote: District Wide Air Balance and Equipment Survey Report was approved.

8.5.4.1. New Business: GSCFT 20-21 Sunshine Articles

Assistant Superintendent Parks presented the GSCFT's Sunshine Articles. The Greater Santa Cruz Federation of Teachers' K-12 Unit contract proposals are being submitted for sunshining. This in accordance with the Employees Relations Act for public notice of contract proposals before official negotiations may begin.

Public Comment: Union President Casey Carlson stated that for the first time the Union has sunshined an article on digital learning.

MSP(Coonerty/Threet) 7-0, the GCSFT Sunshine Articles were approved.

8.5.5.1. New Business: Board Policy Grading

Superintendent Munro presented the Board Policy Grading for third reading. These recommendations reflect recent changes in education code and/or case law. The policy has

been reviewed by staff to ensure that any required customization for Santa Cruz City Schools has been included. As this policy is new to the district, there is no current policy for comparison review.

Board President Ranii motioned to table the item and return to it at a future meeting. Trustee Threet seconded the motion.

MSP (Ranii/Threet) 6-1, the motion to return to this item at a future meeting was approved.

8.5.5.2. Board Policies: First and/or Final Reading for CSBA Revisions & Updates

Policies are submitted through the GAMUT online board policy book updating process, which uses CSBA recommendations for review and change approximately six times per year in participating districts. These recommendations reflect recent changes in education code and/or case law. The policies have been reviewed by staff to ensure that any required customization for Santa Cruz City Schools has been included. In addition to the regular board policy updates, staff has included a proposed revision to BP6141.2 Recognition of Religious Beliefs and Customs. This policy has been updated in order to ensure that all students and families are able to participate in school activities, extracurricular and co-curricular activities and special events.

Trustee Vestal motioned to move the item to the next meeting. Trustee Tracy-Proulx seconded the motion.

MSP(Vestal/Tracy-Proulx) 7-0, the motion to return to this item at a future meeting was approved.

9. Adjournment of Meeting

As there was no further business to come before the Board of Education, Board President Ranii adjourned this Regular Meeting at 10:38 p.m.

Board Meeting Schedule Information

1. The Study Session on October 28, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
2. The Regular Meeting on November 4, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
3. The Special Meeting on November 9, 2020, 5:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
4. The Special Meeting on November 16, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
5. The Regular Meeting/Study Session on November 18, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
6. The Special Meeting on December 2, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
7. The Regular Meeting on December 16, 2020, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
8. The Regular Meeting on January 13, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
9. The Regular Meeting/Study Session on January 27, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
10. The Regular Meeting on February 10, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
11. The Regular Meeting on February 24, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
12. The Regular Meeting on March 10, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
13. The Regular Meeting on March 24, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
14. The Regular Meeting on April 14, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.

15. The Regular Meeting/Study Session on April 28, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
16. The Regular Meeting on May 5, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
17. The Regular Meeting/Study Session on May 19, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
18. The Regular Meeting on June 2, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held remotely via Zoom.
19. The Regular Meeting on June 16, 2021, 6:30 p.m., will be held 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

Respectfully submitted,

Kris Munro, Superintendent
Santa Cruz City Schools

Cynthia Ranii, President
Board of Education