CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Di Salvo at 5:05 p.m.

A. Roll Call
Trustees Present:
  Grace Mah, Area 1
  Michael Chang, Area 2
  Leon Beauchman, Area 3
  Joseph Di Salvo, Area 4
  Anna Song, Area 5
  Craig Mann, Area 6

Trustees Absent:
  Julia Hover-Smoot, Area 7

B. Pledge of Allegiance

President Di Salvo asked former student board member, Damariz Reyes, to lead the pledge of allegiance.

C. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION #2072-S1-1 by member Mann that the Board approve the agenda as submitted. Member Mah seconded the motion and it carried 6-0-1 with member Hover-Smoot absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OR TO PRESENT PETITIONS

Kathleen Flynn, VP of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Association of Santa Clara Valley, informed the board of available scholarship funds for needy students.

Don Renwick, teacher at Foothill High School Annex, invited the Board to a Legislative Brunch event on Saturday, March 12, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon sponsored by the CTA/NEA/Santa Clara County Service Center Council.

Board and Staff Discussion of the WestEd Report on Alternative Education at SCCOE

President Di Salvo provided a background on his educational career and on the WestEd Report. He stated that comments would be taken under each WestEd recommendation.

(The Board broke for recess at 5:22 p.m. and reconvened into Open Session at 5:29 p.m.)
President Di Salvo requested that this meeting be rescheduled to allow all community stakeholders an opportunity to attend a meeting on the WestEd Report. Board members deliberated. President Di Salvo proceeded with the meeting to allow the public in attendance the opportunity provide their input.

1. The following individuals provided input under Recommendation #1 – For SCCOE’s Alternative Education Program reform to be successful, reform should proceed from the ground up and be teacher based.
   • John Malloy, People Acting in Community Together (PACT)
   • Ralph Wigginton, teacher
   • Don Renwick, teacher
   • Betzy Barron, teacher
   • Spencer Sanborn, teacher
   • Reverend April Lussier
   • Jodi Disario, principal
   • Karen Spychala, teacher
   • Jesse Alonso, student
   • Kathleen Flynn, VP of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Association of Santa Clara Valley

2. The following individuals provided input under Recommendation #2 – SCCOE should spearhead the coordination of services among a greater number of community agencies and individuals invested in improving circumstances for alternative education students.
   • John Tweten, PACT
   • Barbara Hansen, PACT

3. The following individual provided input under Recommendation #3 – WestEd suggests that SCCOE develop a coordinated system of service delivery so that all staff, students, parents, and referring districts are aware of the supports available.
   • Dr. Angela Haick, principal

4. The following individuals provided input under Recommendation #4 – SCCOE should create a stronger sense of community in its Alternative Education Program.
   • Teri Marrow, principal
   • Ralph Wigginton, teacher
   • Spencer Sambor, teacher

5. The following individuals provided input under Recommendation #5 – To ensure fidelity of curriculum implementation, SCCOE should consider slowing down the training and implementation schedule of the new curriculum.
   • Spencer Sambor, teacher
   • Karen Spychala, Association of County Educators (ACE) secretary
• Jesse Alonso, student

6. The following individuals provided input under Recommendation #6 – SCCOE needs to create more positive relationships among staff and between staff and students.

• Damariz Reyes, student
• Betzy Barron, teacher
• Amy Sinnott, assistant principal
• Ralph Wigginton, teacher
• Kathleen Flynn, VP of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Association of Santa Clara Valley
• Jesse Alonso, student
• Pablo Veramontez, retired teacher
• Don Renwick, teacher

7. There were no public comments under Recommendation #7 – WestEd strongly encourages SCCOE to develop a plan based on some of the findings and actionable recommendations presented in this report to guide the Alternative Education Program efforts moving forward.

Board members and staff had further discussion on future meeting(s) with community stakeholders on the WestEd Report.

4. Board Discussion of Priorities for the Year

This item was tabled

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Dr. Charles Weis, County Superintendent of Schools
Ex-Officio Secretary