

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
1290 Ridder Park Drive  
San Jose, California 95131

APPROVED  
September 18, 2013  
Minutes of Regular Meeting #2126  
Board Room  
5:00 p.m.

Teleconference Location:  
Aria Hotel  
3730 S. Las Vegas Blvd  
Las Vegas, NV 89109  
Room Reservation Under: Christopher Stampolis

1. Call to Order

a. Roll Call

**Member(s) Present:**

Grace Mah, Area 1  
Michael Chang, Area 2  
Leon Beauchman, Area 3  
Joseph Di Salvo, Area 4  
Anna Song, Area 5 (*joined the meeting at approximately 6:15 p.m. via teleconference*)  
Darcie Green, Area 6  
Julia Hover-Smoot, Area 7

b. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION #2126-1 by Vice President Chang to adopt the agenda as submitted. Member Hover-Smoot seconded the motion and it carried 6-0-1 with member Song absent.

c. Pledge of Allegiance

President Mah asked Heather Bass of Gateway Schools, to lead the pledge of allegiance.

2. Teachers of the Year Recognition

Board President Mah and Dr. Xavier De La Torre, County Superintendent of Schools, introduced the SCCOE Teachers of the Year for 2013: Heather Bass, Gateway Schools—Santa Clara County Office of Education and Jessica Lura, Bullis Charter School. They spoke of Heather's and Jessica's accomplishments, invited them to the podium, and presented them with a plaque, a Barnes & Noble gift certificate and an orchid plant in recognition of their contributions. Heather and Jessica expressed their gratitude and thanked the Board for the recognition.

3. Public Comments of Persons Desiring to Address the Board or to Present Petitions

No one wished to address the Board.

4. Closed Session

The Board held a Closed Session to consider the following items:

- a. Subject Matter: Inter-district Transfer Appeal Filed on Behalf of Student  
Resident District: Mountain View Whisman School District  
Desired District: Los Altos School District

*(Member Anna Song joined the meeting via teleconference at approximately 6:15 p.m.)*

- b. Public Employee Performance Evaluation  
Title: County Superintendent of Schools

5. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

President Mah reported that in the matter of Closed Session Item 4A, member Hover-Smoot made a motion (#2126-2) to deny the appeal based on Factor 7 *“The pupil’s plan to move in the near future and desire to begin the semester or school year in his or her new school district,”* and Factor 12 *“Other exceptional or extraordinary circumstances which would weigh heavily in favor of the appellate pupil.”* Member Beauchman seconded the motion and it carried 6-0-1 with member Song absent.

President Mah reported that in the matter of Closed Session Item 4B, there were no reportable actions.

6. Public Comments of Persons Desiring to Address the Board or to Present Petitions

No one wished to address the Board.

7. Correspondence

- Email, Sept 3, 2013, Tammy Logan, Subject: Fwd: BCS Letter to LASD Requesting Joint Meeting Regarding Facilities Use Agreement
- Letter, forwarded by Tammy Logan on September 3, 2013—Letter dated Aug 14, 2013, RE: Teacher Lockout
- Email, Sept 11, 2013, forwarded by Grace Mah, Subject: BCS Ruling

8. Superintendent’s Report

- Hosted Young Artist Showcase, Sept 12
- Attended a Northern California Superintendent’s meeting in Sacramento, Sept 13
- Attended an Educare Press Conference, Sept 17
- Spoke at a Champions for Leadership dinner event, Sept 17

- Attended a Superintendent's Advisory Council meeting, Sept 16
- Announced an upcoming Santa Clara County District Superintendent's Retreat, Sept 19
- Presented the Board with *Silicon Valley Reads* books from 2012

9. Consent Action Items

- a. Request Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of September 4, 2013 (#2125)
- b. Acceptance of Donations
- c. Second Reading Revised Conflict of Interest of BB 9270 and E 9270
- d. Request Approval of a Resolution in Support of September 15, 2013 as the beginning of National Hispanic Heritage Month
- e. Request Adoption of Resolution for Signature Authorizations on Contracts Between the California Department of Education and the Santa Clara County Office of Education

MOTION #2126-3 by member Di Salvo to approve Consent Action Items 9A through 9E. Member Hover-Smoot seconded the motion and it carried 7-0.

10. Information Items

- a. Update on Fiscal Oversight of Gilroy Unified School District (GUSD)

Micaela Ochoa, Chief Business Officer, introduced Nimrat Johal, Director of District Business & Advisory Services, who presented an update on the current status of the Gilroy Unified School District and answered questions.

- b. SJ/SV 2020 Update

Dr. Xavier De La Torre, County Superintendent of Schools, introduced Dr. Angelica Ramsey, Chief Academic Officer. Dr. Ramsey provided highlights on the upcoming SJ/SV 2020 Symposium on September 25 and answered questions from the Board. Don Bolce, Director of Special Projects, assisted in answering questions.

*(Member Anna Song left the meeting via teleconference at approximately 9:00 p.m.)*

- c. Strategic Plan 2013-16

Dr. De La Torre introduced Toni Cordova, Chief Strategy Officer, who presented a progress report on the Strategic Plan with the current status for each objective.

- d. Board Committee Reports

Dr. Xavier De La Torre

- Announced the upcoming Budget Committee meeting of September 27

Darcie Green

- Announced an upcoming Head Start Policy Council meeting, Sept 28
- Announced an upcoming meeting of the Santa Clara County School Boards Association, Sept 25

e. County Board of Education Members Report

Julia Hover-Smoot

- Visited Renaissance Academy School

Darcie Green

- Announced the upcoming California Latino School Boards Association (CLSBA) conference, October 3-6 in Del Mar, CA
- Attended a Vision Council meeting

Michael Chang

- Visited Renaissance Academy School

Grace Mah

- Attended a meeting regarding long term and short term negotiations with the Los Altos School District and Bullis Charter School

11. Future Agenda Items

- Discussion on Strategic Plan with Respect to Serving Districts and Supporting Charter Schools, October 19 (Member Green)
- Charter Schools Study Workshop, Oct 19
- Update on Legislative Climate, Nov 13 (Member Green)
- Quarterly Update on Universal Preschool, Nov 13 (Member Green)
- Alternative Education Department (AED) Academic and Counseling Resources Over Weekends, Nov 13 (Member Di Salvo)
- Strategic Planning Group, Nov/Dec (President Mah)
- Update on Revolution Foods, Jan 15 (Member Di Salvo)
- Project Cornerstone Presentation (Member Beauchman)
- Follow-Up on \$55M Bond Funds for Special Education Sites (Member Di Salvo)
- Strategic Plan Progress, 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month
- STRIVE and Collective Impact (Joseph Di Salvo)

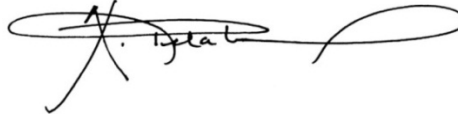
Requested Agenda Items

- Renaissance School Presentation (Member Beauchman)
- Breakdown on Ethnicity—HR Report (Member Beauchman)

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "X. De La Torre", with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Dr. Xavier De La Torre, County Superintendent of Schools  
Ex-Officio Secretary

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**RESOLUTION  
RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2013  
AS NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RESOLUTION No. 2126-1**

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clara County Office of Education takes pride in joining citizens throughout the country in recognizing September 15, 2013 as the start of National Hispanic Heritage Month; and

**WHEREAS**, National Hispanic Heritage Month is an opportunity to share the historical and present contributions of Hispanic American; and

**WHEREAS**, the forerunner of National Hispanic Heritage Month began in 1968 as a proclamation by President Lyndon B. Johnson as a week to celebrate Hispanic culture, and recognize the important contributions that Hispanics have made to this nation; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1988, the week expanded into National Hispanic Heritage Month to commemorate, through community activities, a more balanced and accurate picture of Hispanic history, and is celebrated annually for a month starting September 15, as it coincides with the anniversary of the independence of five Latin American countries; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clara County Office of Education recognizes the significant contributions and considerable advances that Hispanic Americans have made, and continue to make in our community, state and the world, in such areas as education, medicine, art, culture, public service, economics and development, politics and human rights; we see the greatness of America in those who have risen above injustice and enriched our society; and

**WHEREAS**, the Santa Clara County Office of Education in its continued effort to honor National Hispanic Heritage Month and to enhance equity and diversity, will make changes in all its language to replace the word "tolerance" with words like "acceptance," "respect," "inclusion" and "appreciation" whenever relating to equity and/or diversity;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Santa Clara County Board of Education and County Superintendent of Schools proclaim September 15, 2013 as the beginning of **National Hispanic Heritage Month**.

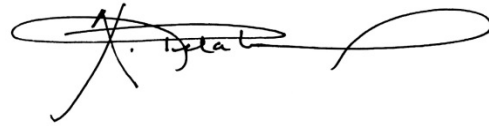
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Santa Clara County Board of Education at a meeting held on September 18, 2013, by the following vote:

AYES: President Mah, Vice President Chang, members Song, Beauchman, Green, Di Salvo and Hover-Smoot  
NOES: -none-  
ABSTAIN: -none-  
ABSENT: -none-



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Grace Mah, President  
Santa Clara County Board of Education



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Xavier De La Torre, Ed.D.  
County Superintendent of Schools