

Minutes for Regular Board Agenda (#2465)
APPROVED

Santa Clara County Board of Education

1290 Ridder Park Drive
San Jose, CA 95131

Wednesday, June 11, 2025
Regular Board Meeting (#2465)
San Jose Room
5:00 p.m.

1. SCCBOE CALL TO ORDER

A. Call to Order

President Berta called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

President Berta led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Land Acknowledgement

President Berta read the Land Acknowledgement.

D. Roll Call

Members present:

Jessica Speiser
Raeena Lari
Don Rocha
Maimona Afzal Berta
Victoria Chon
Jorge Pacheco (*via teleconference from Washington, D.C.*)
Tara Sreekrishnan
Student Board Member Pastrana Jimenez (*absent*)

E. Set the Agenda

Motion #2465-1 by Don Rocha, second by Victoria Chon to set the agenda. Motion carried 6-0-1 with the following vote:

Yes: Jessica Speiser, Don Rocha, Maimona Afzal Berta, Victoria Chon, Jorge Pacheco, Tara Sreekrishnan
Not Present at Vote: Raeena Lari

2. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

A. Recognition of the Santa Clara County Classified School Employees of the Year

Dr. Toston and Trustee Sreekrishnan honored the nine Santa Clara County Classified School Employees of the Year by presenting each with a plaque, and acknowledging their dedication and service. The nine honorees were:

- Clerical and Administrative Services: Cheryl Jimenez, Santa Clara County Office of Education
- Custodial and Maintenance Services: Juan Ramirez, Santa Clara County Office of Education
- Food and Nutrition Services: Gabriela Sumano Celaya, Campbell Union High School District
- Health and Student Services: Amrita Vu, Los Gatos - Saratoga Union High School District (state winner)
- Paraprofessional Services: Delia Klein, Santa Clara County Office of Education
- Security Services: Stephanie Lopez, Alum Rock Union School District
- Skilled Trades Services: Primo Velazquez, Alum Rock Union School District
- Technical Services: Paolo Tinio, Alum Rock Union School District
- Transportation Services: Paul Bua, Campbell Union High School District

B. Recognition of the SCCOE Employee of the Month

Trustee Speiser introduced Jeff Olson as the Santa Clara County Office of Education's June Employee of the Month. Jeff is an Environmental Education Specialist in the Environmental Education Department, and he was recognized for his creativity, compassion, and unwavering commitment to environmental education and student engagement. In appreciation, Jeff received a plaque recognizing her contributions to the SCCOE, an engraved cross pen; and a reserved parking space.

C. Recognition of Excellence in Education

Dr. Toston acknowledged schools and districts in Santa Clara County that received awards from the California Department of Education, the California School Boards Association, and the local Hoffman Awards. Earlier honorees received certificates for display in their district and school offices. A video was shown highlighting the achievements, and the Board expressed appreciation for the dedication of the recognized staff and individuals.

3. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT

None.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

There were 10 public comments.

5. BARGAINING UNITS' REPORTS

The President or designee of each bargaining unit was invited to present comments. Sarah Gianocar, SEIU Chapter President, and Riju Krishna, ACE President, provided remarks.

6. CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

A. Request Approval of Consent Action Items as listed in Item #6 Consent Action Items

B. Request Adoption of Resolution Recognizing Juneteenth

C. Accept Donations to the Santa Clara County Office of Education

Motion #2465-2 by Jorge Pacheco, second by Jessica Speiser to approve Consent Action Items 6A-C. Motion carried 6-0-1 with the following vote:

Yes: Jessica Speiser, Don Rocha, Maimona Afzal Berta, Victoria Chon, Jorge Pacheco, Tara Sreekrishnan

Not Present at Vote: Raeena Lari

7. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Conduct a Public Hearing for the 2025-26 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)

President Berta opened the public hearing on the 2025-26 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) at approximately 6:04 p.m.

Dr. Gorgulho provided an overview of the LCAP priorities and departments.

There were no public comments.

President Berta closed the hearing at 6:36 p.m. The Board will take action on this item at the June 18, 2025, meeting.

B. Conduct a Public Hearing on the 2025-26 County School Service Fund Budget

President Berta opened the public hearing on the 2025-2026 County School Service Fund Budget at approximately 6:37 p.m.

Stephanie Gomez, Assistant Superintendent-Business Services, and Lauren Nguyen, Director-DBAS, presented the 2025-2026 County School Service Fund Budget.

There were no public comments.

President Berta closed the hearing at 7:46 p.m. The Board will take action on this item at the June 18, 2025, meeting.

8. ACTION

A. Adoption of Resolution Approving Extension of the Escrow and Account Control Agreement dated November 22, 2023, to Extend the Agreement and Revise the Name of Authorized Signatories in Connection with the Procurement and Installation of Energy Conservation Measures

Motion #2465-3 by Victoria Chon, second by Jessica Speiser to approve adoption of the resolution as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1 with the following vote:

Yes: Jessica Speiser, Don Rocha, Maimona Afzal Berta, Victoria Chon, Jorge Pacheco, Tara Sreekrishnan

Not Present at Vote: Raeena Lari

9. CLOSED SESSION

The Board moved to Closed Session at approximately 7:52 p.m. President Berta called Closed Session to order at 8:02 p.m. and called roll. All Trustees were present.

A. Interdistrict Attendance Appeal Filed on Behalf of Student, Resident District: Campbell Union School District, Desired District: Santa Clara Unified School District

10. OPEN SESSION (Immediately Following Closed Session)

A. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

The Board concluded Closed Session at 10:40 p.m. and reconvened to Open Session at approximately 10:48 p.m.

Motion #2465-4 by Trustee Speiser and seconded by Trustee Rocha to deny the appeal as factors were not met. Motion failed 3-2-1 with the following vote:

Ayes: Jessica Speiser, Don Rocha, Victoria Chon

Noes: Tara Sreekrishnan, Jorge Pacheco

Abstentions: Raeena Lari

Recused: Maimona Afzal Berta

Motion #2465-5 by Trustee Speiser and seconded by Trustee Rocha to deny the appeal as the factors were not met. Motion carried 4-2 with the following vote:

Ayes Jessica Speiser, Don Rocha, Raeena Lari, Victoria Chon

Noes: Tara Sreekrishnan, Jorge Pacheco

Recused: Maimona Afzal Berta

Due to the late hour, the Board elected to forgo items 11-14 and proceeded to adjourn the meeting.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The next Santa Clara County Board of Education regular meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2025.

Motion #2465-6 by Jessica Speiser and seconded by Victoria Chon to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 5-0-2 with the following vote:

Yes: Jessica Speiser, Don Rocha, Maimona Afzal Berta, Victoria Chon, Tara Sreekrishnan

Not Present at Vote: Raeena Lari, Jorge Pacheco