

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

APPROVED  
Board Minutes  
March 2, 2016  
Regular Meeting #2177  
San Jose Room  
5:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order

a. Roll Call

Member(s) Present:

Grace Mah, Area 1  
Michael Chang, Area 2  
Rosemary Kamei, Area 3  
Joseph Di Salvo, Area 4  
Anna Song, Area 5  
Darcie Green, Area 6  
Claudia Rossi, Area 7

b. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION #2177-1 by member Di Salvo to adopt agenda as presented. Member Green seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

c. Pledge of Allegiance

President Song invited Niti Sharma, Employee of the Month, to lead the pledge of allegiance.

2. Employee of the Month

Member Di Salvo introduced Niti Sharma, March's Employee of the Month. He noted Niti's contributions, presented a plaque and an engraved pen in recognition of her work and introduced Mark Skvarna, Interim Chief Business Officer and Laurie Book, Director III of Internal Business Services, who spoke regarding Niti's knowledge, strong work ethics and patience. Niti thanked everyone for the recognition and acknowledged her son and husband in the audience.

3. Public Comments of Persons Desiring to Address the Board

No one wished to address the Board.

4. Superintendent's Report

Attended a Strong Start meeting at Mayor Liccardo's Office with Trustee Di Salvo

Attended a Cabinet Retreat

Welcomed speaker John Hattie who will be presenting a Superintendent Speaker Series at the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE)

Attended a Strong Start Leadership meeting at SCCOE

Partook as a guest speaker at the Santa Clara County School Boards Association (SCCSBA) meeting

Participated as a panel speaker at the National Association of Independent Schools conference

Welcomed guests at the 9th Annual Santa Clara County Children's Summit

Attended the Family College Success Center Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony

Attended the Preparing Teacher Leaders and School Leaders for the 21st Century in San Diego

Attended a Heart & Soles steering committee meeting

5. County Board of Education Member Reports

Grace Mah

Attended the 9th Annual Santa Clara County Children's Summit

Attended a meeting with legislators and staff in Sacramento for JLAC lobby day

Attended a California County Board of Education Legislative Committee (CCBE) meeting

Rosemary Kamei  
Met with Marc Buller, petitioner of Legacy Charter School  
Visited Downtown College Prep school

Michael Chang  
Met with Tom Torlakson

Darcie Green  
Met with Marc Buller

Joseph Di Salvo  
Met with Marc Buller  
Chaired a JLAC meeting  
Met with Mayor Liccardo with Superintendent Gundry on the topic of Strong Start

#### 6. Board Correspondence

There were no board correspondences.

#### 7. Consent Action Items

- a. Request Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of February 17, 2016 (#2176)
- b. Request Acceptance of Donation
- c. Request Adoption of Resolution Recognizing the Month of March 2016 as National Women's History Month

MOTION #2177-2 by member Mah to approve Consent Action Items 7A through 7C.  
Member Kamei seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

#### 8. Information Item

##### a. Types of Petitions Submitted to the County Board

Dr. Angelica Ramsey, Associate Superintendent, briefed the Board on the two types of charter school petitions that are submitted to the Board, which are: appeals denied by school districts and countywide benefit charter petitions. Davina Harden, Attorney from Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud and Romo, and Dr. Ramsey answered questions.

#### 9. Action Items

- a. Decision on the Countywide Legacy Academy Charter Petition for the Term of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2021

President Song explained the decision process. Dr. Ramsey presented an opening statement. Marc Buller, lead petitioner of Legacy Academy and Mary Patterson, Chairman of the Board, spoke on the merits of the petition.

The following individuals from the Alum Rock Union School District spoke on their opposition to the petition:

Superintendent Hilaria Bauer  
Dr. Sandra Sarmiento  
Annya Artigas  
Vince Inasaki

The Board asked clarifying questions.

The Board broke for Recess at 8:17 p.m. and reconvened into Open Session at 8:27 p.m.

After deliberation, the petitioners of Legacy Academy decided to withdraw their petition.

- b. Request Approval on the Renewal Petition for Downtown College Prep--Alum Rock

President Song explained the decision process. Dr. Ramsey provided a staff report.

David Herrera, lead petitioner of Downtown College Prep--Alum Rock, spoke on the merits of the renewal petition along with Jennifer Andaluz, co-founder and executive director.

The following individuals spoke in support of the renewal petition:

Michelle Duong

Siena Yco  
Rodney Yco  
Rosario Anaya

The Board asked clarifying questions and deliberated.

MOTION #2177-3 by member Di Salvo to approve the renewal petition for Downtown College Prep--Alum Rock for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2021. Member Green seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

c. Request Approval of Contract Exceeding \$250,000 Calstate Construction Inc.

Mark Skvarna, Interim Chief Business Officer, explained the contract exceeding \$250,000 for Calstate Construction Inc to the Board.

MOTION #2177-4 by member Di Salvo to approve the contract exceeding \$250,000 to Calstate Construction Inc. Member Kamei seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

#### 10. Information Items

##### a. Opportunity Youth Academy Update

Dr. Steve Olmos, Chief Schools Officer, introduced Gerry Lopez, Principal of Opportunity Youth Academy, who presented an update on Opportunity Youth Academy and answered questions. Mr. Lopez answered questions from the Board.

##### b. Charter Schools Update

Dr. Ramsey introduced Natalie Zaderey, Financial Administrator in the Charter Schools Department, who presented an update on Silicon Valley's Flex's fiscal issues. Dr. Ramsey presented the conditions for renewal set forth in the memorandum of understanding.

##### c. Overview on BoardDocs

Deputy Superintendent, Dr. Mary Ann Dewan, presented an overview of BoardDocs to the Board.

##### d. Discussion on Setting a Date for Charter Schools Annual Reports to the Board

President Song presented the dates that indicated the number of board members that were not available taken from three rounds of online polling which determined the board's availability for a charter schools annual reports meeting. There was not a date where all seven members could meet. A new set of dates, possibly going into the fall, will be offered to the Board.

#### 11. Board Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

#### 12. Future Agenda Items

(overview) Requested items by Board members may be addressed at this time.

1. Board Study Session on Charter Schools, Quarterly (April 20, June 1, Sept 21, Dec 14)

2. Credo Report, June 1 (Trustee Di Salvo)

3. Update on SJ/SV 2020, summer 2016 (Trustee Di Salvo)

4. Best Practices and Roles of School Resource Officers (SROs) in Schools and Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Study has begun. Initial discussion scheduled for Nov 19, 2015 meeting of the Juvenile Justice Special Committee (JJSC). Report to the Board tentatively set for summer 2016. (Trustee Chang)

5. Budget Priorities, May 4 (Trustee Kamei)

6. Equity for API students in higher education, spring/summer 2016 (Trustee Song)

7. Billy DeFrank Center presentation, (Trustee Green)

8. Charter School Reviews, spring 2016 (Trustee Mah)

9. Strengthening Economic Security for County Residents, spring 2016 (Trustee Green)

10. Discussion on the U.S. Department of Education's 2016 National Education Technology Plan, summer (Trustee Di Salvo)

11. Follow-Up to Educator Effectiveness Funds Expenditure Plan Report of progress and description of how the Professional Development is evaluated, July/Aug (Trustee Di Salvo)

#### 13. Public Comments of Persons Desiring to Address the Board

No one wished to address the Board.

#### 14. The Board held a Closed Session to consider the following item:

A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation /Update

Title: County Superintendent of Schools

(Government Code Section 54957(b)(1))

15. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

President Song reported that in the matter of Closed Session Item 14A, there were no reportable actions.

16. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jon R. Gundry, County Superintendent of Schools

Ex-Officio Secretary

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