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

APPROVED
April 7, 2021
Regular Meeting #2279
San Jose Room
5:00 p.m.

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1. CALL TO ORDER
   
   President Rossi called the meeting to order at approximately 5:02 p.m.
   
   a. Livestream the Board Meeting: https://tinyurl.com/sccoeboardmeeting
   
   b. Roll Call

   Trustee(s) Present:
   Grace Mah, Area 1 (Joined the meeting at approximately 5:19 p.m.)
   Kathleen King, Area 2 (Vice President)
   Rosemary Kamei, Area 3
   Joseph Di Salvo, Area 4
   Victoria Chon, Area 5
   Peter Ortiz, Area 6
   Claudia Rossi, Area 7 (President)
   
   c. Set the Agenda

MOTION #2279-1 by Trustee Ortiz and seconded by Trustee Chon to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0-1

the following electronic vote:

   Ayes: President Rossi, Vice President King and Trustees Di Salvo, Kamei, Ortiz, and Chon
   Noes: none
   Abstain: none
   Absent: Trustee Mah

President Rossi read an opening statement to explain that the Board continues to operate in accordance with state and county health officials’ response to the COVID-19 virus situation. She reviewed details of the April 7, 2021 virtual transmission of the board meeting and explained where to call to listen to the meeting in Spanish and discussed the details of public comments via Zoom.

2. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH RECOGNITION
Vice President King introduced Jeanine Bura, Employee of the Month. She noted Jeanine’s contributions and stated that Jeanine would receive a plaque recognizing her contributions to the Santa Clara County Office of Education, an engraved pen with her name, and a reserved parking space at the Ridder Park office.

(Trustee Mah joined the meeting at approximately 5:19 p.m.)

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

- Meyia Carrasco provided public comment on Opportunity Youth Academy
- Tammy Dhanota provided public comment on a topic not on the agenda

4. CLOSED SESSION

a. Interdistrict Attendance Appeal Filed on Behalf of Student, Resident District: San Jose Unified School District, Desired District: Campbell Union High School District

b. Interdistrict Attendance Appeal Filed on Behalf of Student, Resident District: East Side Union High School District, Desired District: Campbell Union High School

c. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: 2 cases

5. OPEN SESSION

a. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

President Rossi reported on the following:

In the matter of Closed Session 4A, a motion (MOTION #2279-2) was made by Trustee Di Salvo and seconded by President Rossi to deny the appeal based on Factor 8 – The financial impact of educating the pupil (district of desired attendance) or of losing the pupil (district of residence); Factor 10 – Lack of space for the pupil in the receiving district; and Factor 12 – Other exceptional or extraordinary circumstances which would weigh heavily in favor of the affected school district. Motion carried 0.

In the matter of Closed Session 4B, a motion (MOTION #2279-3) was made by President Rossi and seconded by Trustee Cho to deny the appeal based on Factor 12 – Other exceptional or extraordinary circumstances which would weigh heavily in favor of the affected pupil through grade 12. Motion carried 7-0.

In the matter of Closed Session 4C, there were no reportable actions.

6. CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

a. Request Adoption of Resolution Recognizing May as Foster Youth Awareness Month
b. Request Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of March 17, 2021 (#2278)
c. Request Acceptance of Donation to the Santa Clara County Office of Education

MOTION #2279-4 by Trustee Di Salvo and seconded by Trustee Kamei to approve Consent Action Items 6A through 6C. Motion carried 7-0 with the following electronic vote:

Ayes: President Rossi, Vice President King and Trustees Kamei, Mah, Ortiz, Di Salvo, and Chon
Noes: none
Abstain: none
Absent: none

7. ACTION ITEMS

a. Renewal of the Opportunity Youth Academy Charter School for the Period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026
President Rossi explained the decision process and opened the hearing for public comment. Ms. Mefula Fairley, Director of th Charter Schools Department, presented an opening statement.

Phil Morales, the petitioner, presented merits on the renewal petition.

There were no comments from school districts.

The following individuals provided public comments:

1. Blanca Morales
2. Annie Kretowicz
3. Kevin Jacks
4. Jordan Wells

The Board asked clarifying questions.

MOTION #2279-5 by President Rossi and seconded by Trustee Di Salvo to renew the Opportunity Youth Academy Charter School for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026 and adopt the Board Resolution Approving the Charter Renewal for Opportunity Youth Academy Charter School. Motion carried 6-0-1 with the following electronic vote:
Ayes: President Rossi, Vice President King and Trustees Kamei, Mah, Di Salvo, and Chon
Noes: none
Abstain: Trustee Ortiz
Absent: none

b. Second Reading and Request Approval of Board Bylaw 9012 Board Member Electronic Communication

Dr. Mary Ann Dewan, County Superintendent of Schools, explained the updates to Board Bylaw 9012, and Kathryn Meola from Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo (AALRR) was present for board questions.

MOTION #2279-6 by Trustee Kamei and seconded by Trustee Ortiz to approve Board Bylaw 9012 Board member Electronic Communication. Motion carried 7-0 with the following electronic vote:
Ayes: President Rossi, Vice President King and Trustees Kamei, Mah, Di Salvo, Ortiz and Chon
Noes: none
Abstain: none
Absent: none

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Committee members may provide or report on recent committee activities

There were no board committee reports.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Charter Schools Update

Ms. Fairley presented an update on the reopening of charter schools authorized by the Santa Clara County Board of Education

10. COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER REPORTS

a. The members of the Board may give reports on activities related to their duties as members of the Santa Clara County Board of Education

Trustee Kamei
- Met with a parent group from VOICES-Mt. Pleasant Charter School via Zoom
Trustee Mah

- Attended a Zoom meeting of the Santa Clara County School Boards Association (SCCSBA)

Trustee Ortiz

- Announced his appointment to the City of San Jose’s “Reimagining Community Safety Advisory Group” due to his advocacy in stronger oversight of School Resource Officers

11. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

a. The superintendent may give a report on activities related to her duties

- Co-hosted the 2021 Children’s Summit
- Served as a panelist on the Women’s Leadership Policy Summit—Childcare and Education during COVID-19
- Held a Kaiser vaccine town hall meeting
- Co-hosted a Digital Equity Webinar at a Santa Clara County School Boards Association (SCCSBA) meeting
- Co-presented an Equity in Education Session during a California County Board of Education (CCBE) governance traini

12. CONSENT INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Employee Compensation Increase Exceeds the EC 1302 (a) Limit

13. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at approximately 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Dewan, Ph.D.
County Superintendent of Schools
Ex-Officio Secretary