

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

APPROVED

Board Minutes

April 4, 2018

Regular Meeting #2220

San Jose Room

5:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

a. Roll Call

Trustee(s) Present:

Grace Mah, Area 1

Kathleen King, Area 2

Rosemary Kamei, Area 3

Joseph Di Salvo, Area 4

Darcie Green, Area 6

Claudia Rossi, Area 7

Trustee(s) Absent:

Anna Song, Area 5

b. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION #2220-1 by Trustee Rossi and seconded by Trustee Mah to adopt the agenda as submitted. Motion carried 5-0-2 members Di Salvo and Song absent.

c. Pledge of Allegiance

County Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Mary Ann Dewan, led the pledge of allegiance.

2. EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

Trustee King introduced Scott Benson, Employee of the Month. She noted Scott's contributions, presented a plaque and an engraved pen in recognition of his work. Trustee King introduced Sharon Spivack, principal of the Hester Cluster, who remarked on Scott's skills. She commended Scott for always supporting his students. Scott thanked the board for the recognition and said he had the best job and best group of kids.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Stephen McMahon, Deputy Superintendent of San Jose Unified Schools District (SJUSD), addressed the Board regarding reimbursement of legal expenses to SJUSD from the Santa Clara County Office of Education (SCCOE) regarding Rocketst

4. CLOSED SESSION

The board held a Closed Session to hear the following item:

a. Interdistrict Attendance Appeal Filed on Behalf of Student, Resident District: San Jose Unified School District, Desired District: Santa Clara Unified School District

5. OPEN SESSION

a. Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session

(Member Di Salvo arrived at approximately 6:04 p.m.)

President Kamei reported that in the matter of Closed Session Item 4A, a motion (#MOTION #2220-2) was made by Trustee Rossi and seconded by Trustee Green to deny the student appeal based on Factor 8 “The financial impact of educating the pupil (district of desired attendance) or of losing the pupil (district of residency),” and Factor 10 “Lack of space for the pupil in the receiving district.” Motion carried 5-0-1-1 with Trustee Di Salvo abstaining and Trustee Song absent.

6. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

- Announced the recent death of Harvey Schloss, from the Early Learning Advocacy Coalition ... a moment of silence observed
- Participated in an interview with KPIX regarding the declining enrollment in Santa Clara County
- Participated in honoring students at the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) “Every Student Succeeding Breakfast” event ... Dr. Dewan thanked SCCOE administrators for making the event successful
- Visited Jackson Academy in the Morgan Unified School District ... Congratulated Superintendent Steve Betando, Principal Buchser, and staff for the warm hospitality and the high-quality instructional program
- Participated in the Heart & Soles 6K run event
- Attended the annual SCCOE Teacher Recruitment Fair
- Participated in a panel discussion at the National Interoperability Collaborative (NIC) of Time Symposium
- Hosted a Leadership Team meeting where follow-up on the Strength Based Leadership book was reviewed ... Dr. Dewan provided the board with a copy of that book and another book entitled “The Power of Moments.”
- Spoke at the Santa Clara County School Boards Association (SCCSBA) – provided an update on Special Education in Santa Clara County and the state
- Attended the Project Cornerstone Asset Champions Award Breakfast
- Spoke briefly at the Early Learning Leadership Academy meeting
- Presented certificates to staff who completed the Opportunity Youth Academy (OYA) Blended Learning Certification Program

- Attended the daily flag ceremony at Hester School
- Attended a Policy Luncheon with U.S. Senator Diane Feinstein
- Attended the Opportunity Youth Executive Committee meeting
- Met with Equal Opportunity Schools (EOS) and thanked Trustee Di Salvo for the introduction meeting with EOS
- Updated the Board on the Violence Prevention Summit, which will probably be held on April 28 – more information to come in the next week or two

7. COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBER REPORTS

Trustee Joseph Di Salvo

- Attended a Joint Committee on Child Care (JCCC) meeting
- Met Patricia Sun of Santa Clara County from the Intern and Earn program
- Met former Lady Michelle Obama during an event at the Oracle Arena
- Attended a fundraiser for Council Member Raul Perales and Vice-Mayor Magdalena Carassco
- Appeared as a witness before the Civil Grand Jury
- Attended a meeting with Equal Opportunity Schools

Trustee Grace Mah

- Attended a meeting of Funding for the Next Generation
- Attended a meeting on the County Children’s Health Assessment

Trustee Claudia Rossi

- Attended the annual Teacher Recruitment Fair
- Attended the Ceasar Chavez Breakfast event
- Met with a South County group to bring the Dolores Huerta film to Santa Clara schools in South County
- Attended a fundraiser in support of Brian Wheatley who is running for a board seat at San Jose Unified School District

Trustee Kathleen King

- Attended the Association of County Superintendents Administrators (ACSA) “Every Student Succeeding Breakfast” event
- Participated in the Heart & Soles 6K run event
- Attended a Project Cornerstone meeting
- Attended a Santa Clara County School Boards Association (SCCSBA) meeting
- Attended a Ceasar Chavez Breakfast event
- Attended the closing event of Sunrise Middle School
- Announced the upcoming April 11 Healthier Kids Foundation 8th Annual Symposium on the Status of Children’s Health

Trustee Rosemary Kamei

- Attended the SCCSBA meeting
- Attended the Heart & Sole 6K Run event
- Met with County Superintendent of Schools to review upcoming agendas
- Attended a fundraiser for Council Member Raul Perales and Vice-Mayor Magdalena Carassco

8. ACTION ITEMS

a. Decision on the Discovery II Charter Petition Renewal for the term of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023

President Kamei explained the decision process and Khristel Johnson, Director of Charter Schools, presented an opening statement from staff.

Miki Walker, the petitioner, responded to staff opening statement.

Stephen McMahon, Deputy Superintendent of the San Jose Unified School District, commended the Charter School staff of Santa Clara County Office of Education for the work they do. He said he supported staff’s finding of the petition renewal and asked that Discovery provide opportunities to students who traditionally have not done so well in the system.

Board members asked clarifying questions.

MOTION #2220-3 by Trustee Green and seconded by Trustee Rossi to approve the Discovery II Charter petition renewal for the term of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2023. Motion carried 6-0-1 with Trustee Song absent.

9. PUBLIC HEARING

a. Public Hearing on the Eureka! Inclusive Charter School Petition

President Kamei explained the public hearing process and opened the meeting for public comment.

Tiffany Maciel, the petitioner, presented the merits of the petition.

Stephen McMahon stated that Eureka! Inclusive has the right vision but lacks the detail level of planning before it is approved.

The following individuals spoke in support of the Eureka! Inclusive Charter School petition:

Dr. Jean Novak
 Andrew Silvert
 Vanessa Wallace
 Leland Wallace
 Charmaine Bevan
 Fran Farokhyans

David Johnson
Enrique Alvarez

Board members asked clarifying questions.

10. CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

- a. Request Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of March 21, 2018 (#2219)
- b. Request Adoption of Resolution to Support AB 3136 (O'Donnell) Special Education Funding
- c. Request Adoption of Resolution Encouraging School District Participation in California High School Voter Education Weeks
- d. Request Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy 3101 Budget Study Committee, Board Bylaw 9130.1 Standing Committees and Exhibit 9130 Board Committees

MOTION #2220-4 by Trustee Green and seconded by Trustee Mah to approve Consent Action Items 10A through 10D. Motion carried 6-0-1 with Trustee Song absent.

The Board broke for Recess at 8:14 p.m. and reconvened into Open Session at approximately 8:19 p.m.

11. INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Charter Schools Update

Ms. Johnson presented an update on the CARSNet board meeting she attended, site check-ins, and Spark Charter School.

- b. Head Start/Early Head Start Monthly Board Reports

Dr. Steve Olmos, Chief Schools Officer, briefly presented the Head Start/Early Head Start Monthly Board Reports.

Item 1A Roll Call (Including Action on Absences if Necessary) was re-visited.

[MOTION #2220-4 by Trustee Rossi and seconded by Trustee Di Salvo to excuse Trustee Song from the Regular Board Meeting of April 4, 2018. Motion carried 6-0-1 with Trustee Song absent.]

12. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

Dr. Mary Ann Dewan

- Announced the April 4 cancellation of the Policy Subcommittee meeting
- Reminded board members of the upcoming April 18 Joint Legislative Advisory Committee (JLAC) meeting

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The following items were discussed:

Joseph Di Salvo

- History of SJ/SV 2020 (Trustee Di Salvo)
- Discussion on Achievement Data Dashboard for each school and district from LCAPS and data stored in CDE (Trustee Di Salvo)
- Discussion on developing a template as a model document for easily understood data on achievement and the flow of LCAPS funds (Trustee Di Salvo)
- Discussion on California Voting Rights Law and at-large elections for seats on 31 district school boards (Trustee Di Salvo)

Claudia Rossi

- Student Forum

Kathleen King

- Short presentations on what is being done well in Santa Clara County schools

Rosemary Kamei

- Toxic Stress – How it impacts student learning

14. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at approximately 8:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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