

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

APPROVED
Board Minutes
March 4, 2015
Regular Meeting #2155
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
Leon Beauchman, Area 3
Joseph Di Salvo, Area 4
Anna Song, Area 5
Darcie Green, Area 6
Claudia Rossi, Area 7

b. Adoption of Agenda

Superintendent Gundry requested to move Information Item 10.A. *Healthier Kids Foundation* presentation after Item #7 County Board of Education Member Reports.

MOTION #2155-1 by Trustee Di Salvo to adopt the agenda with amendment. Trustee Rossi seconded the motion and it carried 6-0-1 with Trustee Chang absent.

c. Pledge of Allegiance

President Green asked Don Bolce to lead the pledge of allegiance.

2. Public Comments of Persons Desiring to Address the Board on Items Agendized for Closed Session or Items not on the Agenda

There were no public comments.

3. The Board Held a Closed Session to Consider the Following Items:

(Trustee Chang joined the meeting at approximately 5:35 p.m.)

A. *Sharma et al v. Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Santa Clara et al.*, Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2013-80001436

- B. *Alum Rock Elementary School District v. Santa Clara County Board of Education, Santa Clara County*
Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 114-CV-260070
- C. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code §54956.9(d)(1))
Santa Clara County office of Education et al. v. Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Sunnyvale et al., Sacramento Superior Court Case No. 34-2013-80001627
- D. Conference with Legal Counsel – Initiation of Litigation (Government Code §54956.9(d)(4))
City of Emeryville v. Cohen (2015) 233 Cal.App.4th 293.
Supreme Court Case No. S224661

(The Board broke from Regular Meeting #2155 at approximately 7:01 p.m. to hold Special Meeting #2155-S1 and reconvened into Regular Meeting #2155 at approximately 7:25 p.m.)

4. Report of actions taken in Closed Session

In the matter of Closed Session items 3A – 3C, President Green reported that there were no reportable actions.

In the matter of Closed Session item 3D, President Green reported that the County Board of Education voted to authorize the filing of a letter with the California Supreme Court requesting review of the case titled *City of Emeryville v. Cohen* and if the case is accepted for review, the Board authorized filing an amicus. The vote was unanimous.

5. Public Comments of Persons Desiring to Address the Board

Ms. Sarah Westfall inquired about the process of the provisional appointment and asked for clarification on the guidelines.

The following individuals requested that the decision for the STEM Charter School petition be brought for a vote before March 15, 2015 in order to meet the submission deadline for Prop 39:

- Jaya Gautam
- David Kohls
- Ayub Patel
- Jay Singh

6. Superintendent's Report
 - a. Accompanied a delegation to Sacramento to meet with Assemblymember McCarty regarding early childhood education
 - b. Spoke at a Full Circle conference regarding pre-school
 - c. Visited Sunrise Charter School with Trustee Di Salvo
 - d. Attended the Silicon Valley Education Foundation board meeting
 - e. Announced the upcoming National Association for Bilingual Education (NABE)

7. County Board of Education Member Reports

Leon Beauchman

- Attended the Children's Summit

Anna Song

- Attended the Rotary Play Garden Opening Ceremony

Grace Mah

- Attended the Rotary Play Garden Opening Ceremony
- Attended the Children's Summit
- Attended the Educare Hard Hat Tour
- Accompanied a delegation to Sacramento to meet with Assemblymember McCarty

Joseph Di Salvo

- Attended the Rotary Play Garden Opening Ceremony
- Accompanied a delegation to Sacramento to meet with Assemblymember McCarty
- Attended the Educare Hard Hat Tour
- Visited Magnolia Charter School
- Addressed the topic on electric car charging stations for SCCOE

Darcie Green

- Visited alternative education sites
- Participated in the Heart & Soles Walk event

8. Information Item

- A. Healthier Kids Foundation Presentation

Kathleen King, CEO of Healthier Kids Foundation, along with her colleague Sunny Ochoa, provided an overview and an update on the work of the Healthier Kids Foundation and answered questions from the Board.

9. Consent Action Items

- a. Request Approval of Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of February 18, 2015 (#2154)
- b. Request Acceptance of Donations
- c. Request Approval for the Submission of an El Camino Hospital Community Benefit Program Grant Application
- d. Request Approval of Contract Exceeding \$100,000

MOTION #2155-2 by Trustee Di Salvo to adopt Consent Action Items 9A – 9D. Vice President Song seconded the motion and it carried 7-0.

10. Action Items

A. Action on Request for a Material Revision to Discovery Charter School II Petition

Toni Cordova, Chief Strategy Officer, presented a staff report on the request for material revision to Discovery Charter School II petition. The Board asked clarifying questions.

MOTION #2155-3 by Vice President Song to approve the material revision to Discovery Charter School II petition. Trustee Di Salvo seconded the motion and it carried 7-0.

B. Request Approval of Proposed Process and Timeline for Filling Board Vacancy (Trustee Area 3)

Ms. Cordova explained the proposed process and timeline for filling board vacancy in Trustee Area 3 and provided an overview of the Board's past decisions on vacancies. The Board requested that applicants' name and address be posted on SCCOE's website similar to the Registrar of Voters process.

MOTION #2155-4 by Trustee Di Salvo to approve provisional appointment for Trustee Area 3 and the proposed timeline. Trustee Chang seconded the motion and it carried 6-0-1 with Trustee Beauchman abstaining.

C. Request Approval of Contract Exceeding \$250,000 for WestEd/Advancing Excellence in Early Education (E3) Institute

MOTION #2155-5 by Trustee Di Salvo to approve the contract exceeding \$250,000 for West/Ed Advancing Excellence in Early Education (E3) Institute. Vice President Song seconded the motion and it carried 7-0.

11. Information Item

A. Second Interim Budget Report

Micaela Ochoa, Chief Business Officer, provided an overview of the second financial interim report and answered questions from the Board.

12. Board Committee Reports

Superintendent Gundry

- Announced the upcoming Budget Study Committee meeting of March 20, 2015

Anna Song

- Attended the Policy Subcommittee meeting of March 4, 2015

Darcie Green

- Attended the California School Boards Association (CSBA) Legislative Committee meeting

13. Future Agenda Items

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

1. Early Childhood/Strong Start Update May 6 (member Mah)
2. Charter Schools Workshop, May 7 [tentative date] (member Beauchman)
3. Mindfulness for Students, summer/fall (member Chang)
4. Charter Annual Reports (member Mah)
5. Civics Education/Kids Voting (member Di Salvo)
6. Expulsion/Suspension Rates regarding SCCOE's community schools and charter schools (member Green)
7. Pension offers by Charter Schools (member Di Salvo)
8. Budget priority—potential one-time monies (member Mah)

Added to the list:

- LCFF's effect on the Grand Jury's proposal regarding school district consolidation in Santa Clara County (Trustee Di Salvo)
- Communications process in LACOE regarding public health for children (Trustee Di Salvo)
- Community/Institutional Schools success rate in CAHSEE – challenges and academic outcomes (Trustee Chang)

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jon R. Gundry, County Superintendent of Schools
Ex-Officio Secretary

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