The Santa Barbara County Board of Education held this meeting on Thursday, February 3, 2022, as a virtual meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Assembly Bill 361 allows local agencies flexibility in conducting public meetings virtually during a declared state of emergency.

UNAPPROVED

GENERAL FUNCTIONS

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

   The regular meeting of the County Board of Education was called to order at 2:04 p.m. by Board President Judy Frost, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

   Board Members Present

   Marybeth Carty
   Maggi Daane
   Michelle de Werd
   Judith Frost
   Joe Howell
   Peter MacDougall
   Bruce Porter

   Staff Members Present

   Susan Salcido, superintendent
   Craig Price, legal counsel
   Anna Freedland, executive assistant

   Allison Adam    Bridget Baublits    Debra Hood
   Mari Baptista   Debbie Breck       Amy Ramos
   Ellen Barger    Denice Cora        Bill Ridgeway
   Camie Barnwell  Kirsten Escobedo   Rene Wheeler
Others Present

Kaitlyn Greenwood, student, Cabrillo High School
Carmen Jaramillo, chair, Personnel Commission
Lena Morán-Acereto, interpreter
Mike Ostini, member, Personnel Commission
Justin Rich, executive director, Cooperative Strategies
Mark Swanitz, principal, Cabrillo High School

Employees being recognized and their family members, friends & colleagues

3. Changes to the Agenda

The president announced changes to the agenda: Item 4 – President and Board Comments, and item 6 – Superintendent’s Report, would be moved on the agenda to occur before item 15 – Employee Service Awards.

4. President and Board Comments

The president and board members commented on various matters, including:
- Recognizing the Lunar New Year and Black History Month
- A new distribution of education-related news articles from Director of Communications Camie Barnwell
- Teacher of the Year selection committee includes Board Member Carty this year
- Attendance at a recent Santa Barbara County School Boards Association Executive Committee meeting
- Attendance at a recent informative meeting about the Partners in Education program

5. Public Comments

None.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

6. The superintendent reported on the following topics:

- COVID-19 and Santa Barbara County schools – The superintendent stated that COVID-19 cases were decreasing in the county. She mentioned the local health officer order about wearing masks indoors - an order that was issued months ago - and when the Public Health Department indicated it would consider rescinding it, which was when the case rate reached 7 per 100,000 people. She stated, however, that masks in schools may still be required since schools must follow the California Department of Public Health guidance. Dr. Salcido reported the number of at-home test kits for students, adult-sized N95 masks, and
child-sized masks that SBCEO had received and distributed to schools. She shared that at-home test kits were expected soon for school staff.

- Juvenile Court and Community Schools update – Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services Bridget Baublits provided a brief enrollment update
- Form 700 – Statement of Economic Interests – The superintendent reminded the board members that the Form 700 was due by March 31. She stated that a follow-up memo would be sent after the board meeting.
- Author-Go-Round – The 7-day virtual event wrapped up on February 2 and had 404 students attend, in grades 5 through 8
- Operation Recognition update – Dr. Salcido shared that there were six confirmed honorees, and that the ceremony would be held outdoors on April 7 following the County Board of Education meeting
- Staff update – The superintendent announced that Administrator of Internal Services Debbie Breck would be retiring on June 30, 2022

CONSENT AGENDA

The board approved all consent items.

7. Minutes of Meeting Held January 6, 2022

8. Registration of Credentials and Other Certification Documents: Issuance of Temporary County Certificates

Registration of credentials and other certification documents registered in the Santa Barbara County Education Office from December 7, 2021 to January 6, 2022, and the issuance of temporary county certificates for that same time period.

9. Acceptance of Donations

Acceptance of donations for the following departments:

- Special Education
- Teacher Programs and Support

Motion to approve all consent items:

MOVED: Mrs. Daane SECONDED: Dr. MacDougall VOTE: Passed 7-0

ACTION ITEMS

10. Recommended Adoption of Resolution Recognizing a State of Emergency and Reauthorizing Teleconferenced Meetings
In accordance with AB 361, the board adopted Resolution No. 2213 recognizing a state of emergency and reauthorizing teleconferenced meetings for a period of thirty (30) days.

**Ayes:** 7  **Noes:** 0  **Absent:** 0  **Abstain:** 0  
**MOVED:** Mr. Porter  **SECONDED:** Mrs. Carty  **VOTE:** Passed 7-0-0-0

### 11. Recommended Approval of Santa Barbara County Education Office Comprehensive School Safety Plan

The board approved the Santa Barbara County Education Office Comprehensive School Safety Plan for Juvenile Court and Community Schools, and Special Education.

**MOVED:** Dr. MacDougall  **SECONDED:** Mr. Howell  **VOTE:** Passed 7-0

### INFORMATION ITEMS

#### 12. 2021-22 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Supplement to the Annual Update and Mid-Year Progress Report

The Santa Barbara County Education Office 2021-22 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Supplement to the Annual Update and Mid-Year Progress Report was presented to the board for review/information.

#### 13. Personnel Report

The certificated and classified personnel reports were presented as an information item.

### DISCUSSION ITEMS

#### 14. Review of the Draft Map Scenarios for the Redistricting of the Santa Barbara County Board of Education

Executive Director of Cooperative Strategies, Justin Rich, presented a third draft map scenario for the redistricting of the Santa Barbara County Board of Education from the County Committee on School District Organization’s January 31st meeting. The board reviewed and discussed the third draft map scenario and the previous draft map scenarios.

The following motion was made: Endorse draft map scenario 3 for the redistricting of the Santa Barbara County Board of Education and communicate the board’s endorsement to the County Committee on School District Organization.

There was one abstention to reflect a philosophical belief that the voters should
choose the boundaries for their officials.

MOVED: Mr. Howell SECONDED: Mrs. Carty VOTE: Passed 6-0-0-1 Mr. Porter abstained

Board adjourned for a brief recess at 2:56 p.m. Board reconvened at 3:01 p.m.

RECOGNITION

15. Employee Service Awards

Five to 30 year employment anniversaries of SBCEO employees were observed. Pins were previously mailed to all employees and certificates of recognition were previously mailed to employees with 10 years or more at SBCEO.

A special performance was provided by Kaitlyn Greenwood, Cabrillo High School student violinist. The superintendent presented Miss Greenwood with a certificate of appreciation on behalf of the board. Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Ellen Barger, also a board member of the Music Academy of the West, invited Miss Greenwood to a special event at the Music Academy of the West.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

16. Future agenda items

The following was mentioned as a potential future agenda item:
  • Update to the board governance calendar

Previously mentioned as a potential future agenda item:
  • Board discussion on recording board meetings and posting the recordings on the board website.

ADJOURNMENT

17. Adjournment to the next regular meeting to be held March 3, 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:17 p.m. to the next regular meeting to be held March 3, 2022, via Zoom.

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Judith Frost, President         Dr. Susan Salcido, Secretary
County Board of Education       County Board of Education