



## SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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**REGULAR MEETING**  
October 7, 2021 – 2:00 p.m.

### MINUTES

*The Santa Barbara County Board of Education held this meeting on Thursday, October 7, 2021, 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 2:05 p.m. by Board President Maggi Daane, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

##### 2. Roll Call

###### Board Members Present

Marybeth Carty  
Maggi Daane  
Michelle de Werd  
Judith Frost (arrived at 2:18 p.m.)  
Joe Howell  
Peter MacDougall  
Bruce Porter

###### Staff Members Present

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

Mari Baptista	Debbie Breck	Debra Hood	Kai Tepper
Ellen Barger	Valerie Cantella	Vera Owens	
Noelle Barthel	Chelsea Duffy	Christine Petrone	
Bridget Baublits	Kirsten Escobedo	Bill Ridgeway	

Others Present

Lena Moran-Acereto      Gary Pickavet  
Mike Ostini                Cheri Rae

**3. Changes to the Agenda**

None.

**4. President and Board Comments**

The president and board members commented on various matters, including:

- Recent tour of the Career Technical Education Center and Agriculture Farm in the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District
- Recent Santa Barbara County School Boards Association Executive Committee meeting
- Operation Recognition program
- School Wellness Summit
- Recent Santa Barbara Education Foundation Love of Literacy luncheon

**5. Public Comments**

The following member of the public addressed the County Board of Education regarding October being Dyslexia Awareness Month:

Cheri Rae

**PRESENTATIONS**

**6. Presentation on Career Technical Education and Partners in Education**

Director of SBCEO's Career Technical Education program, Noelle Barthel, and Executive Director of Partners in Education, Chelsea Duffy, provided a presentation on how their programs support students for college and careers.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The board approved all consent items:

**7. Minutes of Meeting Held September 2, 2021**

**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 August 7, 2021 to September 6,

2021, and the issuance of temporary county certificates for that same time period.

**9. Acceptance of Donations**

Acceptance of donations for the following department:

- Teacher Programs and Support

**10. Declaration of Surplus**

Declaration of surplus for the following departments:

- Career Technical Education
- Human Resources
- Information Technology Services
- Juvenile Court and Community Schools
- Maintenance and Operations

Motion to approve all consent items:

MOVED: **Mr. Howell**

SECONDED: **Mrs. Carty**

VOTE: **Passed 7-0**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**11. Public Hearing on Recommended Appointment to the Personnel Commission**

A public hearing was held at 2:57 p.m. regarding the appointment by the County Board of Education of Gary J. Pickavet to a renewed three-year term on the Personnel Commission. The superintendent reviewed the history of Mr. Pickavet's service and recommended his re-appointment. Mr. Pickavet briefly commented.

The following member of the public addressed the County Board of Education in support of the appointment:

Mike Ostini, Personnel Commissioner

The public hearing closed at 3:03 p.m.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**12. Recommended Appointment to the Personnel Commission**

The board approved the appointment of Gary J. Pickavet to a renewed three-

year term on the Personnel Commission.

MOVED: **Mrs. Frost**                      SECONDED: **Mrs. Carty**                      VOTE: **Passed 7-0**

**13. Recommended Adoption of Gann Resolution**

The board adopted Resolution No. 2206 for the Gann Appropriations Limit Calculation.

**Ayes: 7                      Noes: 0                      Absent: 0                      Abstain: 0**  
MOVED: **Mr. Howell**                      SECONDED: **Mrs. de Werd**                      VOTE: **Passed 7-0-0-0**

**14. Recommended Adoption of Resolution Proclaiming Red Ribbon Week**

The board adopted Resolution No. 2207 proclaiming October 23-31, 2021 as Red Ribbon Week in Santa Barbara County.

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

**15. Board Policies, Second Reading and Adoption**

The following board policies were presented for second reading and adoption. The board adopted the policies.

- BP 6161.1    (Revised & renumbered 7005)    Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials
- BP 5125    (Revised & renumbered 6010)    Student Records

MOVED: **Mrs. Carty**                      SECONDED: **Mrs. Frost**                      VOTE: **Passed 7-0**

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**16. County of Santa Barbara's Elected-Leaders Forum and ExxonMobil Trucking for SYU**

The board discussed the process for a board member to request that an item be placed on a board agenda.

The board discussed Board Member Porter's request related to the County of Santa Barbara's elected-leaders forum. After discussion, Mr. Porter stated that he would attend the next meeting of the elected-leaders forum, as a member of the public, and would share his observations with the board at the next board meeting after the forum meeting.

The board discussed Board Member Porter's request related to ExxonMobil

trucking for the Santa Ynez Unit (SYU) phased restart project. After discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: The superintendent have staff pursue obtaining data on any revenue loss to Basic Aid school districts since the Plains Oil pipeline was shut down and trucking stopped, and to disseminate that data to the board as an information item at a future board meeting.

MOVED: **Mr. Porter**

SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**

VOTE: **Passed 5-2**

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **17. Personnel Report**

The classified personnel report was presented as an information item.

### **18. Williams/Valenzuela Uniform Complaints Quarterly Report**

The Williams/Valenzuela Uniform Complaints Quarterly Report indicating no complaints filed for the period of June 16, 2021 through September 15, 2021, for Juvenile Court and Community Schools, Career Technical Education, and Special Education, was presented as an information item and was reviewed by the board.

### **19. Correspondence**

September 15, 2021 correspondence from the California Department of Education confirming approval of the Santa Barbara County Education Office 2021-22 budget was presented as an information item.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

### **20. The superintendent reported on the following topics:**

- Staff celebration and announcements – The superintendent shared that Mari Baptista, assistant superintendent of Human Resources, would receive a statewide “STAR” award for her leadership in human resources on behalf of all counties in California. Dr. Salcido also shared that Valerie Cantella, director of communications, would depart SBCEO after December. She thanked both Ms. Baptista and Mrs. Cantella for their service and leadership.
- A Salute to Teachers – Dr. Salcido reported that invitations to the event were in the mail and that board members were invited, along with one guest each. She shared that the event would have some people attend in person, a reduced number than usual, and that it would also be livestreamed on the SBCEO homepage. She thanked Ellen Barger,

assistant superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, for her leadership on the event, and thanked SBCEO staff members Steve Keithley, Anne Flores, and Valerie Cantella, for their work on the event.

- Operation Recognition – The superintendent shared that one application was expected to be received. She briefly shared about the advertising plan and encouraged the board members to promote the program.
- School Wellness Summit
- Youth Empowerment Summit
- California Department of Education approved SBCEO's Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP)
- Santa Barbara County's indoor mask mandate
- Governor's vaccine announcement
- Universal Transitional Kindergarten and SB 130
- Juvenile Justice Realignment Plan and SB 283
- Countywide training on orderly board meetings
- Online virtual meetings and AB 361 – The superintendent requested informal direction from the board about whether or not they would like to continue to meet virtually in November. The majority of the board stated they would like to continue to meet virtually in November.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **21. Adjournment to the next regular meeting to be held November 4, 2021.**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m. to the next regular meeting to be held November 4, 2021, via Zoom.

**MOVED: Mr. Howell**

**SECONDED: Mr. Porter**

**VOTE: Passed 7-0**

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Maggi Daane, President  
County Board of Education

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Dr. Susan Salcido, Secretary  
County Board of Education