The Santa Barbara County Board of Education held this meeting on Thursday, April 2, 2020, via teleconference due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Governor Newsom’s Executive Order N-29-20 allowed local or state legislative bodies to hold public meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically.

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 2:00 p.m. by Board President Maggi Daane, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call

Board Members Present

Marybeth Carty
Maggi Daane
Judith Frost
Roberta Heter
Joe Howell
Peter MacDougall

Board Members Absent

Richard Fulton
Staff Members Present

Susan Salcido, Superintendent  
Craig Price, Legal Counsel  
Anna Freedland, Executive Assistant

Mari Baptista       Valerie Cantella  
Ellen Barger        Kirsten Escobedo  
Bridget Baublits    Amy Ramos

3. President’s Comments

President Daane said she hoped everyone was doing well. She gave kudos to the board members, the Santa Barbara County Education Office staff, and all educators for their work keeping students connected.

4. Public Comments

None.

ACTION ITEMS

5. Minutes of Meeting Held March 5, 2020

The minutes of the meeting held on March 5, 2020 were approved.

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

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

The board approved the registration of credentials and other certification documents registered in the Santa Barbara County Education Office from February 7, 2020 to March 6, 2020, and the issuance of temporary county certificates for that same time period.

MOVED: Mrs. Frost   SECONDED: Dr. MacDougall   VOTE: Passed 6-0

7. 2020-21 Central Office Calendar

The board approved the Central Office Calendar for 2020-21.

MOVED: Dr. MacDougall   SECONDED: Mrs. Carty   VOTE: Passed 6-0
8. **Recommended Approval for Acceptance of Donations**

The board approved the acceptance of donations from the following department:

- *Teacher Programs and Support*

MOVED: **Dr. MacDougall**  
SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**  
VOTE: **Passed 6-0**

9. **Recommended Approval for Declaration of Surplus**

The board approved the declaration of surplus from the following department:

- *Information Technology Services*

MOVED: **Mrs. Frost**  
SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**  
VOTE: **Passed 6-0**

10. **Recommended Approval for Project Grant/Funding Application – Special Education**

This item was removed from the agenda as the funding application to support a fieldtrip would not be submitted due to schools being closed and the governor’s stay at home order.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

11. **Correspondence**

February 18, 2020 correspondence from the California Department of Education confirming acceptance of the Santa Barbara County Education Office 2019-20 First Interim Report was presented as information.

12. **Williams/Valenzuela Uniform Complaints Quarterly Report**

The Williams/Valenzuela Uniform Complaints Quarterly Report indicating no complaints filed for the period of January 16, 2020 through March 15, 2020 for Juvenile Court and Community Schools, Career Technical Education/Regional Occupational Programs, and Special Education, was presented to the board as an information item and was reviewed by the board.

13. **Personnel Report**

The certificated and classified personnel reports were presented as an information item.
SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

14. The superintendent will give a brief report.

The superintendent thanked Board President Daane for doing a great job conducting the meeting via teleconference. She stated that the most important thing was that everyone was healthy.

Dr. Salcido reminded the board that she had provided them with some updates over the past few weeks about what had been happening in the world of education. She shared that she had been meeting daily with all school district superintendents, charter school directors, and the SELPA director. She reported that those meeting would change to twice a week rather than daily. She shared that the leadership throughout the county had been exemplary. She stated that the group was very collaborative and was moving on to other decisions such as distance learning, “grab and go” meals, and essential services. She said that not all issues had been solved, but that we would get through it together. Dr. Salcido also reported that she met daily with her cabinet members.

The superintendent reported that only essential employees were working at SBCEO offices and that all other employees were working remotely.

Dr. Salcido shared that people were feeling a lot of grief and loss about schools remaining physically closed for the rest of the school year. She said it was important to acknowledge the events that would be missed, such as graduations.

Lastly, the superintendent asked the board members how they would like to conduct the next board meeting, in May, by phone or online via Zoom. It was agreed that the next board meeting would be conducted via Zoom, which would provide an online video option and a phone-in option.

ADJOURNMENT

15. Adjournment to the next regular meeting to be held May 7, 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:26 p.m. to the next regular meeting to be held May 7, 2020, online via Zoom.

MOVED: Mr. Howell
SECONDED: Mrs. Heter
VOTE: Passed 6-0

Maggi Daane, President
County Board of Education

Dr. Susan Salcido, Secretary
County Board of Education