

**SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

4400 Cathedral Oaks Road  
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Minutes of Regular Meeting—January 4, 2018

*The Santa Barbara County Board of Education held this meeting on Thursday,  
January 4, 2018 at 4400 Cathedral Oaks Road, Santa Barbara, CA 93110.*

**UNAPPROVED**

**1. GENERAL FUNCTIONS**

1.1 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The regular meeting of the County Board of Education was called to order at 2:01 p.m. by Board President Marybeth Carty, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.2 Members Present

Marybeth Carty  
Roberta Heter  
Joe Howell  
Peter MacDougall

Members Absent

Maggi Daane  
Richard Fulton  
Helen Hill

Others Present

Susan Salcido, Superintendent  
Anna Freedland, Executive Assistant

Staff Present

Elizabeth Adams	Cathy Breen	Deby Geiger	Jane Jackson
Brigitte Almquist	Lisa Caffery	Kathy Hollis	Bill Ridgeway
Ellen Barger	Chelsea Duffy	Kendra Johnson	Matt Zuchowicz
Florene Bednersh	Traile Easland	Steve Keithley	
Debbie Breck	Anne Flores	Kathy Klammer	

1. GENERAL FUNCTIONS, <i>continued</i>
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1.2 Others Present (*continued*)

Samantha Atherton, Santa Barbara High School student, and some fellow classmates  
Jon Kechejian  
Sandra Schoolfield  
Gary Pickavet, Personnel Commission  
Employees receiving Certificates of Recognition

1.3 Minutes of Meeting Held November 2, 2017

Minutes of the meeting held on November 2, 2017 were approved.

MOVED: **Dr. MacDougall**    SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**                      VOTE: Passed **4-0**

1.4 Correspondence

None.

1.5 Changes to the Agenda

None.

1.6 Public Comments

The following member of the public addressed the County Board of Education:

Samantha Atherten, Santa Barbara High School student

1.7 President's Comments

Board President Carty wished everyone a Happy New Year. She commented that after the Thomas Fire the ideas of rebirth and renewal have never been more important or appealing. She shared hopes that students will be refreshed and relieved to be back in their seats this week.

Mrs. Carty also reflected on her term as board president and recalled two milestone events: celebrating Bill Cirone's tenure as county superintendent of schools, and welcoming Susan Salcido to the seat.

1. GENERAL FUNCTIONS, <i>continued</i>
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1.8 Organizational Issues

1.8.1 Election of Officers

Dr. MacDougall presented the Board Organization Committee nominations for board officers. The board elected the following officers:

Mrs. Roberta Heter, President  
Mrs. Maggi Daane, Vice President

MOVED: **Dr. MacDougall**    SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**                    VOTE: **Passed 4-0**

1.8.2 Review of Board Subcommittees

The proposed subcommittee assignments were reviewed by board members. Any changes should be submitted to Mrs. Heter.

1.8.3 Role of Superintendent for the County Board of Education

The role of the county superintendent of schools, who serves as ex officio secretary and executive officer of the board, was reviewed.

1.8.4 Schedule of Meetings

Regular meetings of the board will continue to be held on the first Thursday of each month at 2 p.m. in the Board Room of the Santa Barbara County Education Office, with the exception of the February meeting, which will take place on February 8, 2018.

There will be a special meeting on June 14, 2018, in addition to the regular board meeting on June 7, 2018.

MOVED: **Mrs. Carty**                    SECONDED: **Dr. MacDougall**                    VOTE: **Passed 4-0**

1.9 Presentation and Special Recognition

The superintendent introduced Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services Kathy Hollis, who commented on the Welcome Every Baby (WEB) program and introduced Florene Bednersh, Administrator of Children and Family Resource Services. Mrs. Bednersh provided a presentation to the board on the WEB program, which included a slide show and video. Superintendent Salcido and Board Community Relations Committee Chair Joe Howell recognized Jon J. Kechejian and Sandra K. Schoolfield for their support of the WEB program, and presented them with Certificates of Appreciation on behalf of the board.

2. CREDENTIALS

2.1 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 October 16, 2017 to December 10, 2017, and the issuance of temporary county certificates for that same time period.

MOVED: **Mr. Howell**                      SECONDED: **Mrs. Carty**                      VOTE: **Passed 4-0**

3. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

3.1 Recommended Approval of Project Grant/Funding Application – Children’s Creative Project

The board approved the submission of applications for 2017-18 funding for the Children’s Creative Project.

MOVED: **Mrs. Carty**                      SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**                      VOTE: **Passed 4-0**

3.2 Recommended Approval of Grant Award – Child Development – Child Care Planning Council

The board approved the 2017-18 California State Preschool Program (CSPP) Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) Block Grant received for the Child Development program – Child Care Planning Council.

MOVED: **Mr. Howell**                      SECONDED: **Mrs. Carty**                      VOTE: **Passed 4-0**

3.3 Williams/Valenzuela Uniform Complaints Quarterly Report

The Williams/Valenzuela Uniform Complaints Quarterly Report for Juvenile Court and Community Schools, Regional Occupational Programs, and Special Education indicating no complaints filed for the period of September 16, 2017 through December 15, 2017, was reviewed by the board and presented as an information item.

4. PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION

4.1 Personnel Report

Classified personnel matters were presented as an information item.

4. PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION, *continued*

4.2 Recognition of Employee Anniversaries

Employment anniversaries of long-term south county employees were observed and Certificates of Recognition were presented by the Board of Education.

5. BUSINESS AND FINANCE

5.1 Recommended Approval of Acceptance of Donations

The board approved the acceptance of donations for the following departments:

- *Curriculum & Instruction*
- *Special Education*

MOVED: **Dr. MacDougall**    SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**    VOTE: **Passed 4-0**

5.2 Recommended Approval of Declaration of Surplus

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

- *Reprographics*
- *Superintendent's Office*

MOVED: **Mr. Howell**    SECONDED: **Dr. MacDougall**    VOTE: **Passed 4-0**

5.3 Recommended Approval of First Interim Report

The First Interim Report was presented by Board Budget Committee member Roberta Heter. It was approved as part of the budget monitoring process.

MOVED: **Mrs. Carty**    SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**    VOTE: **Passed 4-0**

6. PUPIL PERSONNEL

6.1 Recommended Issuance of High School Graduation Diploma

The board approved the issuance of a high school graduation diploma to the following student:

*Los Robles High School*

- Student CSIS # 7069674306 – September 28, 2017

MOVED: **Mrs. Carty**    SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**    VOTE: **Passed 4-0**

7. SPECIAL EDUCATION

7.1 Recommended Approval of Amendment to the Santa Barbara County SELPA Local Plan Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement

The executive board and the director of the Santa Barbara County SELPA have made one minor change to the Joint Powers Agreement that governs SELPA. The ending date of the term of board members, who are district superintendents, was changed from December 31 to June 30. This aligns with the school year calendar, and allows terms to end when the school year ends. The board approved of the amendment to the Santa Barbara County SELPA Local Plan Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement.

MOVED: **Dr. MacDougall**    SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**                      VOTE: **Passed 4-0**

8. COMMUNITY RELATIONS

No items.

9. GENERAL INFORMATION

The superintendent commented on the Drama Kings performance at the last board meeting, in November. She thanked the board for recognizing the importance of the program, not just the Drama Kings program but the whole Juvenile Court and Community Schools (JCCS) program, for the boys. She thanked Rene Wheeler, Director of JCCS, for coordinating the event with Santa Barbara County Probation.

Mrs. Salcido shared the process for making the decision to cancel the December board meeting due to the Thomas Fire. It was an unprecedented time in Santa Barbara County. Nineteen of twenty school districts closed in December for various numbers of days due to the fire. Cuyama was the only district that did not close. Many South County districts are back in session now. The superintendent complimented the district leadership; it was a great example of collaboration across the districts. She also complimented SBCEO staff, who followed our emergency plan and did an incredible job.

The superintendent complimented Marybeth Carty for her term as board president. She led with grace and everyone benefitted from her leadership. Mrs. Salcido welcomed Roberta Heter to the role of board president.

Mrs. Salcido reminded everyone that the February board meeting will be held in Santa Maria and will include recognition of North County employee anniversaries. She shared that the March board meeting will likely have Olive Grove Charter School district appeals.

Board adjourned for brief recess at 2:55 p.m.  
Board reconvened at 3:01 p.m.

10. POLICIES

No items.

11. CLOSED SESSION

No items.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:54 p.m. to the next regular meeting to be held February 8, 2018 at the North County Liaison Office, 402 Farnel Road, Santa Maria.

**MOVED: Dr. MacDougall**

**SECONDED: Mr. Howell**

**VOTE: Passed 4-0**

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Roberta Heter, President  
County Board of Education

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Susan C. Salcido, Secretary  
County Board of Education