



SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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REGULAR MEETING

February 2, 2023 – 2:00 p.m.

MINUTES

The Santa Barbara County Board of Education held this meeting on Thursday, February 2, 2023 at the North County Liaison Office, 402 Farnel Road, Santa Maria, CA.

UNAPPROVED

GENERAL FUNCTIONS

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the County Board of Education was called to order at 2:03 p.m. by Board President Frost.

2. Spanish Interpretation/Interpretación

Spanish interpretation of the board meeting was announced.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Board Vice President Porter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Roll Call

Board Members Present

Maggi Daane
Nadra Ehrman
Judith Frost
Joe Howell
Bruce Porter

Board Members Absent

Marybeth Carty
Michelle de Werd

Staff Members Present

Susan Salcido, superintendent
Austin Payne, legal counsel
Anna Freedland, executive assistant

Mari Baptista	Summer Ellis	Debra Hood	Steve Torres
Ellen Barger	Kirsten Escobedo	Luis Medina	
Camie Barnwell	Matt Evans	Christine Petrone	
Bridget Baublits	Nicole Evenson	Pete Sherlock	

Others Present

Antonio Garcia, superintendent, Santa Maria Joint Union High School District
Tanja Heitman, chief probation officer (via Zoom), County of Santa Barbara
Edwin Hodges, Allan Hancock College Rising Scholars Program team member
Michael Jackson, director, Allan Hancock College Rising Scholars Program
Jesse Jimenez, high school student & member of Student Advisory Council
Andrea Martinez, high school student & member of Student Advisory Council
Grisela Martinez, Allan Hancock College Rising Scholars Program team member
Teya Nastaskin, high school student & member of Student Advisory Council
Gabriel Ochoa, Allan Hancock College Rising Scholars Program team member
Mike Ostini, Personnel Commissioner
Hugo Santos-Gomez, interpreter
Regina Santos-Moreno, interpreter
Lisbeth Tovar, high school student & member of Student Advisory Council
Members of the public

5. Changes to the Agenda

None.

6. President and Board Comments

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

- The board meeting being held at SBCEO's North County Office
- The tour for the board of the Allan Hancock College new Fine Arts Complex, which took place just prior to the board meeting
- The recent Education Spotlight hosted by Dr. Salcido on the youth opioid and fentanyl epidemic
- The superintendent's monthly email newsletter
- The recent Santa Barbara County School Boards Association (SBCSBA) Executive Committee meeting
- The upcoming general membership meeting of the SBCSBA in April

- The upcoming open house for the Allan Hancock College new Fine Arts Complex on February 24

7. Public Comments

None.

PRESENTATIONS

8. Presentation on Allan Hancock College Rising Scholars Program

Rising Scholars at Allan Hancock College is a support program of Hancock's Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS). The Rising Scholars team works directly with Central Coast youth, including Peter B. FitzGerald Community School students, to expand opportunities and build strong pathways to educational achievement. The team provided a brief presentation about the program.

9. Student Advisory Council Presentation

The superintendent introduced some members of her Student Advisory Council, listed below. The students present all attended high schools in the Santa Maria Joint Unified High School District. The students shared a little about themselves, why they signed up for the Student Advisory Council, and some of their reflections about education.

- Jesse Jimenez, grade 11, Ernest Righetti High School
- Andrea Martinez De Jesus, grade 12, Santa Maria High School
- Teya Nastaskin, grade 11, Ernest Righetti High School
- Lisbeth Tovar, grade 12, Delta High School

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

10. Superintendent's Report

The superintendent's report was presented as an information item. The superintendent also briefly reported on the following items:

- New Associate Superintendent of Administrative Services Steven Torres
- Update on the Los Prietos Boys Camp transition to the Juvenile Justice Center in Santa Maria – Chief Probation Officer Tanja Heitman provided a brief update via Zoom
- Update on the Welcome Every Baby (WEB) program – Associate Superintendent of Educational Services Bridget Baublits provided a brief

update on the program. Despite tremendous efforts to sustain funding, the program will sunset at the end of the fiscal year.

- Virtual board meetings after the end of California’s COVID-19 State of Emergency, planned for February 28, 2023 – Austin Payne, legal counsel, reported that the ability to meet virtually is largely going away, with a few caveats: the ability to meet via teleconference under the old Brown Act rules and the ability to meet virtually via new legislation, AB 2449, that went into effect on January 1, 2023. In general, AB 2449 allows for a board member to attend a board meeting virtually if they have a medical emergency or disability or caregiving situation.
- Education Spotlight on the youth opioid and fentanyl epidemic held via Zoom webinar in January
- Author-Go-Round event for students in grades 5-8 held in the SBCEO Auditorium all week
- SBCEO staff that had to unexpectedly stay overnight at the Los Prietos Boys Camp during the rainstorm in early January and the multi-agency collaboration to get them out the next day
- Governor’s budget proposal including information about arts and music funding, the equity multiplier, and the timeline of the budget process

CONSENT AGENDA

The board approved all consent agenda items:

11. Minutes of Meeting Held January 5, 2023

12. 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, 2022 to January 6, 2023, and the issuance of temporary county certificates for that same time period.

13. Acceptance of Donations

Acceptance of donations for the following department:

- Teacher Programs and Support

14. Declaration of Surplus

Declaration of surplus for the following departments:

- Administrative Services
- Information Technology Services

Motion to approve all consent items:

MOVED: **Mrs. Daane**

SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**

VOTE: **Passed 5-0**

ACTION ITEMS

15. 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: **Mr. Porter**

SECONDED: **Mrs. Daane**

VOTE: **Passed 5-0**

16. Board Policies, Reading and Adoption

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

New board policies:

Board Policy (BP) Title	BP Number – Certificated Personnel	BP Number – Classified Personnel	BP Number – Management Personnel
Assignment	4113		
Demotion/Reassignment			4313.2
Temporary Modified/Light-Duty Assignment	4113.4	4213.4	4313.4
Transfers			4314
Early Retirement Option	4117.13		4317.13
Resignation	4117.2	4217.2	4317.2
Personnel Reduction	4117.3		
Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action	4118	4218.1	
Civil And Legal Rights	4119.1	4219.1	4319.1
Professional Standards	4119.21	4219.21	4319.21
Dress And Grooming	4119.22	4219.22	4319.22
Unauthorized Release Of Confidential Privileged Information	4119.23	4219.23	4319.23
Maintaining Appropriate Adult- Student Interactions	4119.24	4219.24	4319.24
Collective Bargaining Agreement	4141	4241	
Concerted Action/Work Stoppage	4141.6	4241.6	
Negotiations/Consultation	4143	4243	

Revised board policies:

- BP 4040 – Employee Use of Technology
- BP 5022 – Student and Family Privacy Rights
- BP 5030 – Student Wellness
- BP 5141.4 – Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting
- BP 5145.2 – Freedom of Speech and Expression
- BP 9270 – Conflict of Interest

MOVED: **Mr. Porter**

SECONDED: **Mrs. Daane**

VOTE: **Passed 5-0**

17. Reimburse Expenses for Board Member(s) to Attend the California County Boards of Education (CCBE) County Governance Workshop, March 2023

The board approved the reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses for a board member(s) to attend the California County Boards of Education (CCBE) County Governance Workshop, March 10-11, 2023, in Sacramento, in accordance with Board Policy 9250.

MOVED: **Mr. Porter**

SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**

VOTE: **Passed 5-0**

18. Recommended Adoption of Resolution Recognizing a State of Emergency and Reauthorizing Teleconferenced Meetings

In accordance with AB 361, the board adopted Resolution No. 2315 recognizing a state of emergency and reauthorizing teleconferenced meetings for a period of thirty (30) days.

Ayes: 5

Noes: 0

Absent: 2

Abstain: 0

MOVED: **Mr. Howell**

SECONDED: **Mrs. Daane**

VOTE: **Passed 5-0-2-0**

INFORMATION ITEM

19. Personnel Report

The classified personnel report was presented as an information item.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

20. Future agenda items

None.

ADJOURNMENT

21. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:59 p.m. to the next regular meeting to be held March 2, 2023.

MOVED: **Ms. Ehrman**

SECONDED: **Mrs. Daane**

VOTE: **Passed 5-0**

Judith Frost, President
County Board of Education

Dr. Susan Salcido, Secretary
County Board of Education