



SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

4400 Cathedral Oaks Road
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REGULAR MEETING
September 7, 2023 – 2:00 p.m.

MINUTES

UNAPPROVED

GENERAL FUNCTIONS

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting of the County Board of Education was called to order at 2:01 p.m. by Board President Judy 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

Marybeth Carty
Michelle de Werd
Nadra Ehrman
Judith Frost
Joe Howell
Bruce Porter

Board Members Absent

Maggi Daane

Staff Members Present

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

Ellen Barger	Kirsten Escobedo	Luis Medina
Camie Barnwell	Nicole Evenson	Sheryl Pognant
Josh Becerra	Mary-Beth Gallas	Steve Torres
Carla Benchoff	Debra Hood	Rene Wheeler

Others Present

Monie de Wit, member of the public
Cheri Rae, member of the public and director of The Dyslexia Project
Hugo Santos-Gomez, interpreter
Regina Santos-Moreno, interpreter
John Torres, A/V technician consultant, CompuVision

5. Changes to the Agenda

None.

6. President and Board Comments

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

- The president shared that Allan Hancock College was holding the Hancock Honors event on Saturday, September 9. She also shared that SBCEO's A Salute to Teachers event would be held on November 4, 2023, at the Music Academy of the West.
- Board Member de Werd shared that she attended a Los Robles High School graduation ceremony on August 18. She thanked Rene Wheeler, administrator of Juvenile Court and Community Schools, for her work to make the graduation special. Mrs. de Werd also shared that she attended the Santa Barbara County School Boards Association Executive Committee meeting and that there was a presentation on mental health resources in schools, done by MaryEllen Rehse, executive director of SBCEO's Children and Family Resource Services. Lastly, she stated that she would be attending the California County Boards of Education Executive Committee meeting that evening and the conference that weekend. She stated that she covered her own expenses to attend the conference.
- Board Member Ehrman shared that she attended and volunteered at the first annual Black Youth Summit, hosted by Gateway Educational Services.

7. Public Comments

The following members of the public addressed the County Board of Education regarding Dyslexia Awareness Month and reading/literacy:

- Monie de Wit
- Cheri Rae

ACTION ITEM

8. Recommended Adoption of Resolution Regarding Board Member Excused Absence

The board adopted Resolution No. 2402 excusing the absence of Board Member Maggi Daane at today’s board meeting due to illness, an acceptable hardship per board policy 9250.

Ayes: 6 **Noes: 0** **Absent: 1** **Abstain: 0**
MOVED: Mr. Howell **SECONDED: Mrs. Carty** **VOTE: Passed 6-0-1-0**

PRESENTATION

9. Presentation on Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)

Director of Instructional Support Carla Benchoff provided a presentation on positive behavioral interventions and supports (PBIS).

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

10. Superintendent’s Report

The superintendent’s 12-page report was presented as an information item. The superintendent highlighted the following items:

- New SBAS administrator – Dr. Salcido introduced Josh Becerra, new administrator of School Business Advisory Services (SBAS) and invited him to say a few words.
- School safety coalition – The superintendent shared that she would present at the California County Boards of Education conference tomorrow about the school safety coalition work being done in Santa Barbara County. She invited all board members to the upcoming 2-day countywide School Safety Symposium being convened by SBCEO. She also shared that the interview process for a school safety liaison position was taking place.

- Bringing mindfulness to JCCS – The superintendent stated that at the next board meeting there would be a presentation on professional development/learning for JCCS staff, including mindfulness.

CONSENT AGENDA

The board approved all consent items:

11. Minutes of Meeting Held August 3, 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 July 7, 2023 to August 6, 2023, and the issuance of temporary county certificates for that same time period.

13. Acceptance of Donations

Acceptance of donations for the following departments:

- SBCEO
- Teacher Programs and Support

14. Declaration of Surplus

Declaration of surplus for the following departments:

- Career Technical Education
- Early Care and Education
- Partners in Education

15. Issuance of High School Graduation Diploma

Issuance of a high school graduation diploma to the following student:

Los Robles High School

- Student CSIS # 4171008960 – August 18, 2023

Motion to approve all consent items:

MOVED: Mrs. Carty

SECONDED: Mr. Porter

VOTE: Passed 6-0

ACTION ITEMS

16. Recommended Approval of Grant Application – Consolidated Programs

The board approved the submission of application to the California Department of Education (CDE) for 2023-24 funding for Consolidated Categorical Programs.

MOVED: **Mr. Porter**

SECONDED: **Mr. Howell**

VOTE: **Passed 6-0**

17. Recommended Authorization to Utilize a California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) Contract

The California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) program contracts are established using products, services, and prices from existing competitively assessed and cost-compared multiple award contracts. Public Contract Code Section 10298 allows county offices of education and TK-12 local educational agencies to utilize such contracts without going to bid. CMAS Contract No. 4-20-78-0089C, Base GSA Schedule No. 47QSMA20D08P7, with KYA Services, LLC, is approved by the State of California Department of General Services (DGS) for the purchase, warranty, and installation of floor covering and related products, as needed. The board approved of the use of CMAS Contract No. 4-20-78-0089BC through February 10, 2025.

MOVED: **Mrs. Carty**

SECONDED: **Ms. Ehrman**

VOTE: **Passed 6-0**

18. Recommended Authorization to Utilize an OMNIA Partners Contract

OMNIA Partners (OMNIA) purchase contracts are established using products, services, and prices from existing, competitively assessed and cost-compared multiple award contracts. Public Contract Code Section 10298 allows county offices of education and TK-12 local educational agencies to utilize such contracts without going to bid. OMNIA Contract No. R191804, Region 4 Education Service Center (ESC) with The HON Company LLC, is approved by the State of California Department of General Services (DGS) for the purchase, warranty, and installation of furniture and related services, as needed. The board approved of the use of OMNIA Contract No. R191804 through April 30, 2024.

MOVED: **Mr. Howell**

SECONDED: **Mrs. Carty**

VOTE: **Passed 6-0**

19. California County Boards of Education (CCBE) General Membership Meeting Voting Member

Board Member de Werd is a member of the CCBE board and therefore cannot serve as a voting representative. No action taken.

INFORMATION ITEMS

20. Follow-up from a Recent Interdistrict Attendance Appeal Hearing

The superintendent reported about follow-up work done by SBCEO and Goleta Union School District, after at a recent interdistrict attendance appeal hearing, regarding Goleta Union School District's boundaries. Goleta USD removed a list of addresses from its website and is instead using a map of addresses to indicate its attendance boundaries. Goleta USD also confirmed that all Goleta USD students within its attendance boundaries matriculate into the Santa Barbara Unified School District.

21. Personnel Report

The certificated personnel report was presented as an information item.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

22. Future agenda items

ADJOURNMENT

23. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:16 p.m. to the next regular meeting to be held October 5, 2023.

MOVED: Mr. Porter

SECONDED: Ms. Ehrman

VOTE: Passed 6-0

Judith Frost, President
County Board of Education

Dr. Susan Salcido, Secretary
County Board of Education