

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
GAYLORD A. NELSON ADMINISTRATION CENTER / BOARD ROOM
2922 TRANSWORLD DRIVE, STOCKTON, CA
JUNE 22, 2022 / 12:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

PRESENT: Vernon Gebhardt, President; Greg Clark, Vice President; Ken Vogel, Board member; Janet Dyk, Board member; Troy Brown, Secretary.

ABSENT: Douglas Vigil, Board member.

OTHERS PRESENT: Scott Anderson, Deputy Superintendent; Jane Steinkamp, Assistant Superintendent; Melanie Greene, Terrell Martinez, Connor Sloan, Lauren Dinubilo, Brandi Harrold, Stephanie Hitchcock, Christina Lewis, Rachele Tyler, Austin Nogueira, Lisa Neugebauer, Kristie Rose, Stephanie Bailey, Kelly Siegel, Nancy Hopple, Lisa Bryant, Brandie Moore, Kailyn Hill, Kim Borges, Melissa Galea, SJCOE staff; Allen Dosty, Lodi Unified School District; Traci Miller, Morgan Lee, Stockton Unified School District; Chet Quaide, Legal Counsel; interdistrict transfer appellant and family; expulsion appellant and family; Marlene Flau, Recorder.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

President Gebhardt called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Board member Clark led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA: There were no additions to the agenda.

III. COMMENTS: There were no comments from the audience.

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. **2022 – 2023 Local Control and Accountability Plan:** President Gebhardt opened the public hearing at 12:02 p.m. to discuss and receive input from the public regarding the proposed 2022 – 2023 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) for schools and programs operated by the San Joaquin County Office of Education (SJCOE). Deputy Superintendent Scott Anderson reviewed in detail the 2022 – 2023 Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) Budget Overview for Parents Data Input sheets.

County Operated Schools and Programs Division Director Melanie Greene presented information regarding the SJCOE LCAP and annual update indicating it continues to be developed with input and recommendations from students, parents, teachers, stakeholders, bargaining unit members, and community members. Ms. Greene explained the goals based on results from stakeholder input through specific and strategic survey questions were to improve student attendance by decreasing truancy, improve academic rigor and consistency across student programs, and improve capacity for building and growing relationships between program, students, parents, and the community were successfully met. Action taken to meet goals included an emphasis on increasing truancy support and student engagement for students; the inclusion of instructional technology in professional learning, implementation of tutoring services for students, pilot of NGSS curriculum, increasing CTE opportunities for SJCOE students, and implementation of Positive Behavior Interventions and Support, Restorative Practices and Trauma Informed Care; and continued support for parents,

guardians, and foster families to increase participation in school-related activities through family engagement.

The Board asked questions regarding the use of one-time state and federal funding that helped offset declining enrollment.

There were no comments from the public and the hearing was closed at 12:13 p.m.

2. 2022 – 2023 Budget: President Gebhardt opened the public hearing at 12:14 p.m. to discuss and receive input from the public regarding the proposed 2022 – 2023 budget for the San Joaquin County Office of Education (SJCOE). Deputy Superintendent Scott Anderson explained the budget was built on the May Revise, continues to reflect that the SJCOE is financially sound, and is expected to remain so as indicated by multi-year projections. The budget contains increases to employer-funded pension rates of a 2.18 percent increase for STRS and 2.46 percent increase for PERS. This year, the May Revise includes a 6.65 percent Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA), which was driven by inflation and is the largest in over 40 years.

Mr. Anderson reviewed the Ending Balance Analysis 2022 – 2023 Budget Financial Report which details all funds operated at the SJCOE and indicates healthy projected balances on both the restricted and unrestricted sides of the general fund. One-time deferred maintenance expenses are included, as well as a one-time special transfer from the general fund into fund 67 to access mutual fund investments to address an increase in post-employment medical benefits. Mr. Anderson pointed out that there is a 13.9 percent general fund reserve, adding that program budgets have reserves as well for added protection.

Teachers College of San Joaquin (TCSJ) projected a decrease in their ending balance due to a deficit caused by a projected decrease in enrollment in the IMPACT program. The SJCOE will monitor, and assist should the decrease materialize. TCSJ has a 1-to-2-year reserve. There is an expected surplus for charter schools which details a deficit for one Charter and a surplus for Venture Academy.

The Board commended Mr. Anderson and his staff for their ongoing strong oversight and maintenance of the SJCOE budgets.

There were no comments from the public and the hearing was closed at 12:36 p.m.

V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION:

3. Universal Prekindergarten Countywide Implementation and Capacity Building Strategic Plan: Early Education and Support Division Director Connor Sloan presented the SJCOE Early Education and Support Department Universal Prekindergarten Countywide Implementation and Capacity Building Strategic Plan. The tiered-approach plan aligns with the SJCOE's motto to Educate, Innovate, and Inspire and focuses on five areas: Vision and Coherence; Community Engagement and Partnership; Workforce Recruitment and Professional Learning; Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment; and LEA Facilities, Services, and Operations. The plan outlines details and future dates to be implemented by the SJCOE's Early Education and Support department by providing background information on universal prekindergarten (UPK), transitional kindergarten, P-3 alignment, and the landscape of early care and education in San Joaquin County, supporting local partners in implementing UPK, and planning for professional development. UPK planning began during the 2021 – 2022 school year and implementation will continue through 2026 at which time all children who turn four by September 1 will have the option to enroll in transitional kindergarten or other early childhood program that provides services to three- and four-year old students.

The Board had questions regarding facilities and potential staffing challenges regarding credentials and requested a report at the end of the first year.

VI. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION:

4. Minutes: On a motion from Ken Vogel, second by Janet Dyk, the Board approved the minutes from the May 18, 2022, meeting as presented.

AYES: Gebhardt, Clark, Vogel, Dyk
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

5. Resolution #21-22-21 – Approving Spending Determination for the Education Protection Account: On a motion from Greg Clark, second by Ken Vogel, the Board approved this resolution pertaining to the Education Protection Account funds and the spending determination of such funds for the 2022 – 2023 fiscal year as presented.

AYES: Gebhardt, Clark, Vogel, Dyk
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

6. Resolution #21-22-22 – Establishing Temporary Interfund Transfers: On a motion from Janet Dyk, second by Ken Vogel, the Board approved this resolution authorizing temporary interfund transfers pursuant to Education Code § 42603 as presented.

AYES: Gebhardt, Clark, Vogel, Dyk
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

7. Resolution #21-22-23 – Authorizing Cash Flow Loans to School Districts: On a motion from Ken Vogel, second by Greg Clark, the Board approved this resolution authorizing cash flow loans to school districts pursuant to Education Code §§ 42621 and 42622 as presented.

AYES: Gebhardt, Clark, Vogel, Dyk
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None

VII. CLOSED SESSION: Action taken in Closed Session must be reported in Open Session.

- Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing #18-21-22
- Expulsion Appeal Hearing #21-22/02

VIII. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION (Cont.):

8. Interdistrict Transfer appeal Hearing #18-21-22: On a motion from Ken Vogel, second by Janet Dyk, the Board granted the appeal of the decision by the Governing Board of the Lodi Unified School District and ordered that student #18-21-22 shall be permitted to attend school in the Lodi Unified School District instead of the school district of residence, Calaveras Unified School District.

AYES: Gebhardt, Vogel, Dyk
NOES: Clark
ABSTAIN: None

9. Expulsion Appeal Hearing #21-22/02: On a motion from Greg Clark, second by Janet Dyk, the Board upheld the decision of the Stockton Unified School District to expel student #21-22/02.

AYES: Gebhardt, Clark, Vogel, Dyk
NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

IX. CLOSING COMMENTS FOR BOARD MEMBERS:

- The next regular San Joaquin County Board of Education meeting will be held June 24, 2022, 12:00 p.m., 2922 Transworld Drive, Stockton, CA.

X. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Troy A. Brown, Ed.D.
Secretary to the Board / County Superintendent of Schools