

SACRAMENTO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 7, 2017

Agenda

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
 - II. Pledge of Allegiance
 - III. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 17, 2017
 - IV. Adoption of Agenda
 - V. Official Correspondence
 - VI. Visitor Presentations
 - A. General Public
 - B. Employee Organizations
 - VII. Superintendent's Report
 - VIII. New Business
 - A. Adoption of Consent Agenda
 1. Accept Report on Personnel Transactions
 2. Award Diplomas to Court and Community School Students
 3. Accept Donations to Mock Trial/Moot Court Competition and Placer County Day Reporting Center
 - B. Approval of Contracts
 - C. Authorization to Submit Grant Applications/Service Contracts and Accept Funding if Awarded; and Approval of Contracts, Positions, and Other Expenditures Associated with the Grants as Outlined in the Proposed Budgets
 1. \$5,000 FNL Underage Drinking Prevention grant from the California Friday Night Live Partnership for the period February 8, 2017 through September 30, 2017
 - D. Adoption of the College Readiness Block Grant Plan
 - E. Court and Community School Local Accountability System Update
 - F. Board Report – Governor's Proposed 2017-2018 State Budget
 - G. First Reading of Revisions to Board Policy 6173 – Homeless Education
 - H. First Reading of Revisions to Board Policy 5117 – Interdistrict Transfer Appeals
 - I. First Reading of New Board Policy 5146 – Married/Pregnant/Parenting Pupils
 - J. Board Report – Mobility Opportunities Via Education (MOVE)
 - IX. Board Reports, Comments, and Ideas
 - A. Board Members
 - B. Board President
 - C. Committees
 - X. Items for Distribution
 - A. February/March Events
 - B. February/March Visits
 - XI. Schedule for Future Board Meetings
 - A. February 21, 2017 – Sly Park Outdoor Environmental Education Center
 - B. March 7, 2017 – Capital Adult Education Regional Consortium (CAERC)
 - XII. Adjournment
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I. President Levy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the David P. Meaney Education Center, Sacramento County Office of Education, 10474 Mather Boulevard, Mather, California. Board members present were Joanne Ahola, Alfred Brown, Heather Davis, Harold Fong, Greg Geeting, Jackie Levy, and Brian Rivas. Also present were David W. Gordon, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board; Al Rogers, Deputy Superintendent; Teresa Stinson, General Counsel; Matt Perry, Robin Pierson, Tammy Sanchez, and Mark Vigario, Assistant Superintendents; Effie Crush, Chief Administrator-Human Resources; Jerry Jones, Executive Director of Technology; Tim Herrera, Director of Communications; other staff and visitors; and Carla Miller, Recording Secretary.

II. Mr. Rivas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. On a motion by Mr. Geeting and seconded by Mr. Brown, the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 17, 2017 were approved. Motion carried unanimously (7 ayes).

IV. Mr. Fong moved to adopt the agenda. Mr. Geeting seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7 ayes).

V. There was no official correspondence.

VI.A. There were no requests for visitor presentations from the general public.

VI.B. There were no requests for presentations from employee organizations.

VII. Superintendent Gordon reported on the following:

- The Sacramento County School Boards Association dinner meeting last Wednesday evening drew the biggest crowd on record. He thanked everyone who attended with a special thanks to the keynote speaker, Sacramento Mayor Darrell Steinberg. The next meeting is scheduled for October 4, 2017. More details to follow.
- Last Wednesday, it was an honor for him to join Board Vice President Greg Geeting at the State Capitol to speak at the African American Achievement Summit sponsored by the Fortune School and the California Charter Schools Association. The topic of the panel was Countywide Authorizing Strategies: How Charters and County Boards of Education are Closing the Achievement Gap in Sacramento.
- Saturday's Academic Decathlon competition at Inderkum High School in Natomas, was as loud and exciting as ever. The topic this year was World War II. There were 25 teams participating this year, including three from Placer County. Thanks to Paul Robins, from FOX 40 News, for serving as Quiz Master once again. He thanked Inderkum High and Natomas Unified for hosting the event. Who won? We will find out tomorrow night during the

awards dinner at 6:30 p.m. in the Sac State grand ballroom. A special thanks to sponsor SAFE Credit Union for once again providing \$10,000 in college scholarships for the top performing students. Shout out to Craig Irish and our SCOE team who once again put on a very quality event.

- This is a reminder that on Thursday, February 9, 2017, SCOE is hosting the Sacramento County Poetry Out Loud competition beginning at 12:30 p.m. at Rosemont High School. For information, please see Tim Herrera.
- It is Mock Trial and Moot Court season. The Moot Court finals – and the awards ceremony – will be on Thursday, February 23, 2017 from 5:45 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Third District Court of Appeal. The Mock Trial finals are on Monday, February 27, 2017. The final trial is from 4:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. at the US District Court. The awards ceremony follows from 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the downtown Sacramento Holiday Inn.
- SCOE offices will be closed on February 13 and February 20 in observance of the President Lincoln and President Washington holidays.
- A report was released from the Legislative Analyst Office regarding Court and Community School students who are now being served by COEs. One of the proposals was that the funding be shifted from COEs to school districts and to allow districts to procure services for education and incarcerated students and community school students through COEs or other entities. This proposal was a surprise to SCOE and we do not believe the districts want this approach to funding. This proposal would cause a change in statute, which means it would need to go through the legislature. The county superintendents' association is carefully analyzing the proposal. The proposal does not save any money; it is redistributing the money. There is a misinterpretation in the report of what the COEs are doing with the money. We will keep the Board posted.

VIII.A. Mr. Geeting moved and Mr. Brown seconded adoption of the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously (7 ayes). By such action, the Board:

1. Accepted report on Personnel Transactions
2. Awarded diplomas to Court and Community School Students
3. Accepted donations to Mock Trial/Moot Court Competition and Placer County Day Reporting Center

Dr. Matt Perry, Assistant Superintendent, announced that the following students will be awarded a diploma: 1 Candidate from El Centro Jr./Sr. High School; Randal Harvey from Gerber Jr./Sr. High School; and Kijah Makaela Cann, Russell Nicholas Charley IV, Joelle Eric Cry, Amber Renee Fernandez, Carlos Jose Gonzalez, Jr., Kamal Singh Mann, Luis Gerardo Mondragon, and Sean Peter Redoble from North Area Community School.

VIII.B. Mr. Rivas moved the approval of the contracts as listed.

Mr. Rivas withdrew his motion.

Mr. Fong moved to approve the contract for Steven M. Berg-Smith; Mr. Rivas seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously (7 ayes).

Mr. Fong moved to approve the contract for School Business Solutions, LLC; Mr. Rivas seconded the motion. Mr. Fong stated that we should renew contracts like this one in the same manner we do for our auditor; rotating between auditors after three years. Mr. Rivas stated that he asked the same question of the Superintendent and was satisfied because of Ms. Heim's expertise in this field and her knowledge of the Fortune charter. Mr. Brown stated that he doesn't see the need to change anything, but if we do, we should go through the Policy Committee. President Levy stated she is very satisfied with the performance of Ms. Heim. Motion carried 6 ayes, 1 no (Fong).

VIII.C. On a motion by Mr. Rivas, seconded by Ms. Ahola, and carried unanimously (7 ayes), the Board authorized staff to submit grant applications/service contracts and accept funding if awarded; and approved contracts, positions, and other expenditures associated with the grants as outlined in the proposed budgets as follows:

1. \$5,000 FNL Underage Drinking Prevention grant from the California Friday Night Live Partnership for the period February 8, 2017 through September 30, 2017

VIII.D. Mr. Geeting moved and Ms. Davis seconded the motion to adopt the revised College Readiness Block Grant Plan. Motion carried unanimously (7 ayes).

VIII.E. Dr. Matt Perry, Assistant Superintendent, provided an update on the revised Court and Community Schools Local Accountability System to the Board.

VIII.F. Tammy Sanchez, Assistant Superintendent, provided a report on the Governor's Proposed 2017-2018 State Budget to the Board.

VIII.G. First Reading of Revisions to Board Policy 6173 – Homeless Education – see Item VIII.I.

VIII.H. First Reading of Revisions to Board Policy 5117 – Interdistrict Transfer Appeals – see Item VIII.I.

VIII.I. First Reading of New Board Policy 5146 – Married/Pregnant/Parenting Pupils

Chair Brian Rivas of the Policy Committee recommended that the revisions to Board Policies on items VIII.G., VIII.H., and VIII.I. move forward to Second Reading at a future Board Meeting.

VIII.J. Dr. Robin Pierson, Assistant Superintendent, introduced Principal Siobhan Dill, who presented the report on MOVE (Mobility Opportunities Via Education).

IX.A. Mr. Rivas thanked President Levy and Carla Miller for all the work on the SCSBA dinner.

President Levy thanked Mr. Rivas who suggested we begin meeting with the SCSBA again.

Ms. Ahola reported that she attended the African American Achievement Summit on February 1. She had an opportunity to hear Assemblymember Shirley Weber speak. She enjoyed the SCSBA dinner and collaboration with Superintendent Kent Kern and Trustee McKibbin. She requested that a copy of the LAO report be sent to all Board members. She thanked Dr. Perry for the tour at El Centro. She was very impressed. She appreciated Dr. Perry being cognizant of her personal experience as a teen mother. She will follow up with some information about what programs are offered in the county regarding teen pregnancy.

Ms. Davis thanked SCOE for updating the Board on the Gerber facility. She enjoyed attending the SCSBA dinner; thought Mayor Steinberg did an excellent job. She thanked President Levy and SCOE staff for the hard work coordinating the event. The people at her table had great ideas of future speakers and topics. She attended the Fortune School hearings at the State Capitol on February 1. She commended Superintendent Gordon for his leadership, and President Levy and Vice President Geeting for their foresight on the issue. She believes that county boards of education have a contribution to make in closing the achievement gap by exercising our chartering authority. There is potential for legislation to allow for a pilot program for a small number of county boards of education to expand authority to charter achievement gap closing schools. She is interested in learning more about this and the possibility of having SCOE being part of the conversation.

Mr. Fong reported that this is his third request for a resolution regarding safe haven schools for students. He would like to have a discussion at a Board meeting to make a decision. Regarding the LAO's report, this may be a good time to think about a Legislative Committee and/or Lobbyist. We may want to look at collaborating with other COEs to get our voice heard. He asked for a presentation on the Adult Education Consortium.

Mr. Brown reported he has had an opportunity to visit all SCOE programs in the county. He was very impressed. He thanked Superintendent Gordon for his position with protecting undocumented students. He attended several conferences and meetings where he had an opportunity to learn about the ten state priorities for county offices of education and the Williams Act. He also received more information on what county boards are supposed to be doing with expelled youth and foster youth. He will provide a more comprehensive statement at a later time.

Mr. Geeting thanked Superintendent Gordon for his memo to school districts regarding undocumented students' protection. He attended the African American Student Achievement Rally and Summit that was held February 1 as a collaborative between Fortune School and the California Charter Schools Association. Many thanks to all of the school board members who attended the Sacramento County School Boards Association dinner meeting on February 1. Special thanks to our keynote speaker, Sacramento

Mayor Darrell Steinberg, who provided some very thoughtful and insightful comments, the SCOE executive staff who facilitated small group discussions, and of course to our Culinary Arts students and Chef Jeff who provided a lovely dinner. It was a pleasure to join President Levy at the Academic Decathlon Super Quiz on Saturday afternoon. President Levy – along with the many volunteers who made our County Academic Decathlon possible – deserves special thanks for spending the whole day at the event judging a number of the student presentations. The Super Quiz master of ceremonies, Fox 40's Paul Robins, did his usual outstanding job. And, among other things, brought to the audience's attention the special relationship between this year's Academic Decathlon topic – World War II – and the founding of the Aca Deca competition.

Mr. Brown stated that Folsom Cordova Unified School District Superintendent mentioned at the SCSBA dinner that beginning the fall of 2017, all high school students that graduate will attend Folsom Lake College for free.

Ms. Ahola echoed what Mr. Fong stated on the safe haven resolution; it's a great idea to have a discussion. She also supported Ms. Davis's request to learn more about the pilot charter authorizer proposal.

IX.B. President Levy reported that she was a speech judge and they are always looking for judges.

IX.C. There were no committee reports.

X.A. There was no distribution of the February/March Events item.

X.B. There was no distribution of the February/March Site Visits item.

XI. Schedule for Future Board Meetings

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XII. Mr. Brown moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Ahola seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7 ayes). The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David W. Gordon
Secretary to the Board

Date approved: February 21, 2017