

SAN RAFAEL CITY SCHOOLS AGENDA ONLINE MINUTES

Regular Meeting - SRCS Board of Education

June 24, 2015 5:00 PM

District Office - Boardroom

310 Nova Albion Way

San Rafael, CA 94903

I. OPEN SESSION/ROLL CALL 5:00 PM

Minutes:

President Tuatagaloa opened the meeting at 5:14 PM.

Trustees present:

Natu Tuatagaloa

Rachel Kertz

Linda M. Jackson

Greg Knell

Maika Llorens Gulati

II. PUBLIC COMMENT on Closed Session

Minutes:

None.

III. CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

Pursuant to Government Code sections 54957 and 54956.9, the Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:15 PM.

III.1. GOV. CODE 54957: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (ESD/HSD): Chief Technology Officer; Assistant Superintendent, Education Services

III.2. CLOSED SESSION: Gov. Code 54957 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (ESD-1 certificated)

III.3. CLOSED SESSION: (ESD/HSD) Gov. Code 54956.9 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNCIL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (1 Case)

IV. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Minutes:

President Tuatagaloa reconvened the meeting to Open Session at 6:05 PM.

V. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Minutes:

Molly O'Donoghue led the Pledge of Allegiance.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

(Public comment on items that appear on the agenda will be taken at the time the item is addressed by the Board.)

Minutes:

None.

VII. SPECIAL REPORT

VII.1. EDUCATION SERVICES: (ESD) California State Preschool Program Self Evaluation

Minutes:

Accountability Coordinator Julia Neff and Ana Becerra, San Pedro site supervisor for the state preschool program, presented the annual report on the program.

Ms. Becerra outlined that the preschool programs at San Pedro and Bahia Vista are closely aligned with Kindergarten to build skills, confidence and drive, in preparation for Kindergarten. She reported an orientation of families is held in the fall at both sites. A development profile and individual assessment of each student is done twice a year. Parent/teacher conferences are held in October, parent surveys are done in the spring, and post-assessments are done of each child to check progress. The CDE DRDP (Desired Results Developmental Profile) provides an assessment of student performance and the preschool program in general. More funding will be provided to the district's preschool program for the coming year because students performed so well this year. Data collected from the year is developed into an action plan.

Staff attend MCOE and district trainings; some are required trainings. They train and partner with Kindergarten teachers. They meet with student teachers and parents. GLAD strategies are implemented with students as well as Every Day Math and the state preschool program curriculum.

From the DRDP findings, Ms. Bercera described the move toward 4 stages of total building for skill development, closely related to language and emotional development. Ninety nine percent (99%) of students are non-English speakers at the beginning of the year; 98% of students are at the building stage at the end of the program.

Improvements for next year will be for greater parental participation at BV, with a goal of 75%. Ten parent education classes and child care will be available next year to increase family literacy.

Ms. Becerra responded to trustee questions regarding the program: it is at capacity, with a waiting list for both sites' morning and afternoon programs - 32 children at SP and 30 at BV; staff are required to have child development degrees as required by licensing; the curriculum for the program comes from the state.

Marisela Espinoza de Gomez, preschool site supervisor for Bahia Vista acknowledged Ms. Becerra for her support.

Ms. Becerra noted that state preschool representatives visited the district's program this year and acknowledged staff for the great job they are doing. Efforts to increase the program in the district, have so far been unsuccessful, as it is a competitive grant process. Trustee Jackson inquired about the possibility of the MCF initiative funding an expansion. Dr. Watenpaugh noted Marin Strong Start's focus on early childhood education is an initiative that could provide support.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA: (All items appearing on the Consent Agenda are approved in one action by the Board. Trustees, staff or members of the public may request that an item be pulled for discussion prior to Consent Agenda approval.)

Minutes:

President Tuatagaloa requested that each consent agenda item be discussed and voted on individually.

VIII.1. PERSONNEL (HSD): Approval of High School District Personnel, Certificated/Classified

Motion Passed: Approval of all hiring, terminations, transfers, and retirements of employees in the High School District, as revised. Passed with a motion by Linda Jackson and a second by Greg Knell.

Yes Linda Jackson
Yes Rachel Kertz
Yes Greg Knell
Yes Ms. Maika Llorens Gulati
Yes Natu Tuatagaloa

Minutes:

President Tuatagaloa noted that the High School District Personnel Action report was revised after the agenda was posted.

VIII.2. PERSONNEL (JOINT): Approval of Joint School District Personnel, Certificated/Classified

Motion Passed: Approval of all hiring, terminations, transfers, and retirements of

employees in the Joint School District. Passed with a motion by Rachel Kertz and a second by Greg Knell.

Yes Linda Jackson
Yes Rachel Kertz
Yes Greg Knell
Yes Ms. Maika Llorens Gulati
Yes Natu Tuatagaloa

Minutes:

President Tuatagaloa noted that the Joint District Personnel Action report was revised after the agenda was posted.

VIII.3. EDUCATION SERVICES: (ESD) Approval of Elementary District Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs, 15-16.

Motion Passed: Approval of the ESD consolidated application for funds. Passed with a motion by Greg Knell and a second by Linda Jackson.

Yes Linda Jackson
Yes Rachel Kertz
Yes Greg Knell
Yes Ms. Maika Llorens Gulati
Yes Natu Tuatagaloa

Minutes:

Dr. MacLean reviewed this application is a mandated compliance requirement for continued funding for remaining categorical state funding for dedicated populations.

VIII.4. EDUCATION SERVICES: (HSD) Approval of High School District Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs, 2015-2016

Motion Passed: Approval of the HSD consolidated application for funds. Passed with a motion by Greg Knell and a second by Rachel Kertz.

Yes Linda Jackson
Yes Rachel Kertz
Yes Greg Knell
Yes Ms. Maika Llorens Gulati
Yes Natu Tuatagaloa

VIII.5. SECOND READING: FINANCE: (ESD/HSD) Adoption of Revisions to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3260 Fees and Charges

Motion Passed: Approval of the revisions to BP and AR 3260 Fees and Charges. Passed with a motion by Greg Knell and a second by Linda Jackson.

Yes Linda Jackson
Yes Rachel Kertz
Yes Greg Knell

Yes Ms. Maika Llorens Gulati
Yes Natu Tuatagaloa

Minutes:

Ms. Thomas reviewed these changes reflect mostly technical revisions.

VIII.6. SECOND READING: FINANCE: (ESD/HSD) Adoption of Revisions to Administrative Regulation 3554 Other Food Sales

Motion Passed: Approval of the adoption of proposed revisions. Passed with a motion by Greg Knell and a second by Rachel Kertz.

Yes Linda Jackson
Yes Rachel Kertz
Yes Greg Knell
Yes Ms. Maika Llorens Gulati
Yes Natu Tuatagaloa

Minutes:

Ms. Thomas reviewed that these changes are mostly technical revisions needed for compliance with federal nutritional guidelines. She noted ASB and parent groups will now need to send notification to the Business Office for assurance they are meeting nutritional standards with any food sales during the instructional day. President Tuatagaloa requested outreach to the community to communicate the standards and expectations as outlined.

VIII.7. EDUCATION SERVICES (HSD) Approval of New Textbooks: Descubre 1 (Spanish Text Spanish 1 Course), Themes (French Text AP French Language), Imagina Spanish Text

Motion Passed: Approval of new textbooks: Descubre 1, Themes and Imagina. Passed with a motion by Rachel Kertz and a second by Linda Jackson.

Yes Linda Jackson
Yes Rachel Kertz
Yes Greg Knell
Yes Ms. Maika Llorens Gulati
Yes Natu Tuatagaloa

IX. DISCUSSION/ACTION SESSION

IX.1. EDUCATION SERVICES:(ESD) Approval of the 2015-2018 Local Control Accountability Plan Update for the San Rafael Elementary School District

Motion Passed: Approval of the 2015-2018 Local Control Accountability Plan Update for the San Rafael Elementary School District. Passed with a motion by Linda Jackson and a second by Greg Knell.

Yes Linda Jackson
Yes Rachel Kertz
Yes Greg Knell

Yes Ms. Maika Llorens Gulati
Yes Natu Tuatagaloa

Minutes:

President Tuatagaloa noted that the LCAP was reviewed at Monday's meeting, noting comments shared to begin LCAP meetings in August and when union representation can participate. He expressed a huge thanks to all who participated in the development of the LCAPs, with special thanks to Christina Perrino and Dan Zaich for their leadership in the process.

IX.2. EDUCATION SERVICES:(HSD) Approval of the 2015-2018 Local Control Accountability Plan Update for the San Rafael High School District

Motion Passed: Approval of the 2015-2018 Local Control Accountability Plan Update for the San Rafael High School District Passed with a motion by Rachel Kertz and a second by Ms. Maika Llorens Gulati.

Yes Linda Jackson
Yes Rachel Kertz
Yes Greg Knell
Yes Ms. Maika Llorens Gulati
Yes Natu Tuatagaloa

Minutes:

It was noted that San Rafael City Schools is one of three districts in the state that have to complete two LCAPs for approval.

IX.3. FINANCE: (ESD) Approval of the San Rafael City Elementary School District Adopted Budget for the 2015-16 Fiscal Year and Approval of Budget Revision #4 for 2014-15

Motion Passed: Adoption of the Elementary District budget for the 2015-16 fiscal years and approval of budget revision #4 for 2014-15. Passed with a motion by Linda Jackson and a second by Greg Knell.

Yes Linda Jackson
Yes Rachel Kertz
Yes Greg Knell
Yes Ms. Maika Llorens Gulati
Yes Natu Tuatagaloa

Minutes:

President Tuatagaloa noted the ESD budget was presented on Monday night to the Board.

IX.4. FINANCE: (HSD) Approval of the San Rafael City High School Adopted Budget for the 2015-16 Fiscal Year and Approval of Budget Revision #4 for 2014-15

Motion Passed: Adoption of the HSD budget for the 2015-16 fiscal year and approval of Budget Revision #4 for 2014-15. Passed with a motion by Rachel Kertz and a second by Greg

Knell.

Yes Linda Jackson

Yes Rachel Kertz

Yes Greg Knell

Yes Ms. Maika Llorens Gulati

Yes Natu Tuatagaloa

Minutes:

President Tuatagaloa reviewed the HSD budget was also reviewed on Monday by the Board. He commended Ms. Thomas and the Business Office team for doing a fantastic job with budget development; making the documents easy for the Board and community to read.

X. CONFERENCE SESSION

X.1. Report Out Action from Closed Session

Minutes:

President Tuatagaloa reported the Board took action to approve a three (3) year settlement agreement for an Elementary District employee, by the following vote:

Natu Tuatagaloa - NO

Rachel Kertz - YES

Linda M. Jackson - NO

Greg Knell - YES

Maika Llorens Gulati - YES

X.2. Agenda Items for Future Meetings

Minutes:

Trustee Jackson requested a report on LCAP items - Goal 1 related to A-G, D's and F's, reclassification, and Electives in K-8.

President Tuatagaloa reminded staff to bring a report on backpack safety, and also requested a report on sustainability for district water conservation, and safe routes at all sites.

X.3. Board Member Reports

Minutes:

Maika Llorens Gulati:

- She reported on a meeting with Comcast where she learned of a new WiFi 'hotspot' installed at the Al Boro Community Center for customers in the area.

Greg Knell:

- Together with trustee Jackson he met with Voces de Marin and First 5 regarding human trafficking issues and safety.
- He was contacted by a county public relations team regarding his selection as Marin County Champion, in recognition of his work on prescription drug abuse issues.

Linda M. Jackson:

- She joined the meeting with Voces de Marin regarding human trafficking and new safety information. An informational session for families will be held in the fall, cohosted by the district.
- She attended the district administration's end-of-year gathering.
- She attended a 10,000 Degrees presentation about support for undocumented students going to college.
- She attended a Marin Promise Ready for College group meeting regarding transcript review and A-G.

Rachel Kertz:

- She has participated in SIS implementation meetings.
- She co-presented a master facilities plan update to the Dixie School Board.

Natu Tuatagaloa:

- He attended the SRCS Leadership team gathering.
- He provided a master facilities plan update to the Dixie Board with trustee Kertz. He noted that lights on the TLHS field was a big topic of discussion, suggesting community outreach be done around this topic moving forward.

X.4. Superintendent(s) Activity Report

Minutes:

Superintendent Watenpugh:

- He attended a Northridge HOA meeting to provide a master facilities plan update. Site facilities committees will be developed to include neighborhoods as we move into next stages of implementation of the plan.

- He has been asked to be the co-chair of the Marin Promise Partnership group for this school year. A focus for the year will be on analysis of transcripts by Education Trust West to gauge how successful students are in classes, as well as a project with the National Equity Project, working with teachers and counselors about the impact of the analysis.

XI. READJOURNMENT to Closed Session (if necessary)

XII. NEXT REGULAR MEETING - July 27, 2015

Minutes:

President Tuatagaloa noted the next meeting will be a special meeting held on June 30th for end of year approvals. The next regular meeting will be held on July 27th.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT (and Closed Session Report Out, if necessary): 9:00 P.M. (approximate time)

Minutes:

There being no further business, President Tuatagaloa adjourned the meeting at 6:55 PM, in memory of recently deceased SRHS student Aura Celeste Machado.

President

Superintendent