

**SACRAMENTO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 11, 2018**

Agenda

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
  - II. Pledge of Allegiance
  - III. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 14 2018  
Approval of the Minutes of the Board/Superintendent Retreat of August 25, 2018
  - IV. Adoption of Agenda
  - V. Official Correspondence
  - VI. Visitor Presentations
    - A. General Public
    - B. Employee Organizations
  - VII. Superintendent's Report
    - A. Recognition of the October 2018 Employees of the Month
  - VIII. New Business
    - A. Adoption of Consent Agenda
      1. Accept Report on Personnel Transactions
      2. Award Diplomas to Court School Students
    - B. Approval of Contracts
    - C. No Grant Applications/Service Contracts
    - D. Public Hearing and Adoption of Resolution No. 18-07 – Determination of Textbooks and/or Instructional Materials Sufficiency Pursuant to Education Code Section 60119 (Community and Special Education Schools)
    - E. Adoption of Resolution No. 18-08 – Approving Amendments to Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&Rs) and Common Area Maintenance (CAM) Agreement Relating to the Purchase of Property for the New Community School
    - F. Adoption of Resolution No. 18-09 – Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the New Community School Project
    - G. Board Report – Early Learning
  - IX. Board Reports, Comments, and Ideas
    - A. Board Members
    - B. Board President
    - C. Committees
  - X. Items for Distribution
    - A. September/October Events
    - B. September/October Site Visits
  - XI. Schedule for Future Board Meetings
    - A. September 25, 2018 – Board/Superintendent Study Session – Charter Schools
    - B. October 2, 2018 – Foster Youth/Project TEACH
  - XII. Adjournment
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I. President Brown called the meeting to order at 5:19 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, Paul Keefer, Bina Lefkovitz, and Karina Talamantes. Also present were David W. Gordon, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board; Al Rogers, Deputy Superintendent; Teresa Stinson, General Counsel; Tammy Sanchez, Assistant Superintendent; other staff and visitors; and Carla Miller, Recording Secretary. Trustee Davis was not present at the time of Roll Call.

II. Ms. Talamantes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Brown announced the Board would recess the meeting and convene in Closed Session, Under Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and 54954.5 Significant Exposure to Litigation. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), the Board will meet in Closed Session with Legal Counsel regarding Anticipated Litigation. The Board has provided public notice that the Board will meet in Closed Session for this purpose.

Recessed Open Session at 5:21 p.m.

Convened Closed Session at 5:27 p.m.

Adjourned Closed Session at 6:25 p.m.

Convened Open Session at 6:30 p.m.

President Brown announced the Board took no action in Closed Session.

Also present were Nancy Herota and Matt Perry, Assistant Superintendents; Effie Crush, Chief Administrator-Human Resources; Jerry Jones, Executive Director of Technology; Michael Kast, Executive Director of Special Education; Tim Herrera, Director of Communications; and Rachel Perry, Director of C-SAPA.

President Brown asked that everyone observe a moment of silence in honor of 9-11.

III. On a motion by Mr. Fong and seconded by Ms. Ahola, the minutes of the regular meeting of August 14, 2018 were approved. Motion carried unanimously (7 ayes).

On a motion by Ms. Davis and seconded by Ms. Talamantes, the minutes of the Board/Superintendent Retreat of August 25, 2018 were approved. Motion carried unanimously (7 ayes).

IV. Ms. Lefkovitz moved to adopt the agenda. Ms. Talamantes 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.A. Betsy Bourne, Scott Pantalone, Robin Satow, Tyler Shea, and Fernando Soares, Technology Department, were recognized and honored as the classified employees of the month for October. Bill Mullen was not present.

Ted Smith, ED Teacher, Special Education Department, was recognized and honored as the certificated employee of the month for October.

Superintendent Gordon reported on the following:

- Thanked everyone who was able to attend our 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Employee Recognition Day on August 16. The event was a great kickoff to the new program year. He thanked Board President Brown and Trustees Lefkovitz, Talamantes, Davis, and Keefer for attending.
- Reminded everyone that on September 13, 2018, we will celebrate the successes of more than 70 members of the 2018 graduating class of SCOE's Placer County Re-Entry Program for parolees and probationers. The event is from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Placer County Fairgrounds and Event Center. For details, please see Dr. Matt Perry.
- Please join us on September 20, 2018, when we host Back to School Night at Leo A. Palmiter Jr./Sr. High School. It is always a great opportunity to meet with students, families, and staff. The evening begins at 5:30 p.m.
- On Tuesday, September 25, 2018, we will be hosting a workshop titled "Reducing Suspensions: The Law and Alternatives" at the SCOE Conference Center from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Presenters include Carl Corbin, General Counsel of the public law firm School and College Legal Services of California; and Paul Osincup, consultant and educator with a background in conflict resolution and restorative justice. For more information, please see Dr. Matt Perry.
- Reminded everyone that on September 25, in place of a regular Board meeting, we will host a Board Study Session on Charter Schools. The session will begin at 6:00 p.m. instead of the regular 6:30 p.m. and will end at 8:00 p.m.
- Our next Sacramento County School Boards Association dinner meeting is Wednesday, October 3, 2018, in the Mather Room here at SCOE beginning at 6:00 p.m. Our guest speaker will be Greg Lucas, who is the California State Librarian. His topic: "How Libraries Can Make Your Life Better and Save the World."

- Congratulated Michael Steele from Elk Grove Unified School District and Brandon Parker from Sacramento City Unified for being named the 2019 Sacramento County Teachers of the Year. The August 24 awards dinner was a great celebration of excellence in education. Congratulations to Cynthia Guzman, SCOE's Teacher of the Year. He thanked Board President Brown, Vice-President Ahola and Trustees Lefkovitz, Davis, Keefer, and Talamantes for joining us to recognize all of the top teachers. He shared a thank you letter received from Michael Steele.

VIII.A. Mr. Keefer moved and Ms. Davis 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 School Students

Dr. Matt Perry, Assistant Superintendent, announced that the following students will be awarded a diploma: 3 candidates from El Centro Jr./Sr. High School.

VIII.B. Ms. Davis moved and Ms. Ahola seconded approval of the contracts as listed. Motion to approve the contracts carried unanimously (7 ayes).

VIII.C. No Grant Applications/Service Contracts

VIII.D. Public Hearing and Adoption of Resolution No. 18-07 – Determination of Textbooks and/or Instruction Materials Sufficiency Pursuant to Education Code Section 60119 (Community and Special Education Schools)

President Brown opened the Public Hearing at 6:55 p.m.

No one came forward. President Brown closed the Public Hearing at 6:55 p.m.

Ms. Lefkovitz moved and Mr. Fong seconded the motion to adopt Resolution No. 18-07 – Determination of Textbooks and/or Instruction Materials Sufficiency Pursuant to Education Code Section 60119 (Community and Special Education Schools). Motion carried unanimously (7 ayes).

VIII.E. Mr. Fong moved and Ms. Talamantes seconded the motion to adopt Resolution No. 18-08 – Approving Amendments to Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&Rs) and Common Area Maintenance (CAM) Agreement Relating to the Purchase of Property for the New Community School. Motion carried unanimously (7 ayes).

Ms. Sanchez commented that there are 2 facility related resolutions before the Board tonight and introduced the people whose expertise have helped us – James Traber, Attorney; Constantine Baranoff; and Matthew Gerken, CEQA Consultant. Resolution No. 18-08 authorizes staff to execute the amendment to the 1988 Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&Rs), the Common Area Maintenance Agreement (CAM), and the 2010 CC&Rs. The changes to the CC&Rs will allow SCOE to construct

and operate the community school and the change to the CAM agreement regulates how the owners and the shopping center will allocate operations and maintenance responsibilities and related costs. There is a detailed report included in the agenda.

VIII.F. Mr. Keefer moved and Ms. Davis seconded the motion to adopt Resolution No. 18-09 – Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the New Community School Project. Motion carried unanimously (7 ayes).

Ms. Sanchez stated that Resolution No. 18-09 specifies the findings necessary for the Board to adopt a final mitigated negative declaration for the new community school project. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires SCOE to prepare an initial study in order to determine the level of environmental review necessary for our project. The initial study revealed substantial evidence that significant environmental impacts might occur, but also identified mitigation measures to reduce those impacts to a level of less than significant. Therefore, SCOE is able to satisfy CEQA obligations with a mitigated negative declaration. The 30-day public review and comment period in the mitigated negative declaration closed on August 8, 2018. Board members have a summary of all comments received and responses to the comments in the agenda.

Mr. Fong thanked the CEQA Consultant for the evaluation for SCOE.

VIII.G. Dr. Nancy Herota, Assistant Superintendent, introduced Dr. Natalie Woods-Andrews, who provided a report on Early Learning.

IX.A. Ms. Davis reported she has been reappointed to the Personnel Commission and she gave an update from their meeting earlier today. The senior extension programs are growing so much that they are hiring more transitional/transition specialists to keep up. They do site visits so they can understand the jobs that are advertised. She indicated that in December we will be losing a solid HR Administrator. After 32 years, Effie Crush will be retiring and will be missed very much. Helena Hurst will not be seeking re-appointment. She has been a Personnel Commissioner for 12 years.

Mr. Fong reported in addition to our workshop on charter schools, he noticed that the CDE has a working group on charter schools and will be reviewing many of the same kinds of things that we talked about – looking for best practices to replicate in the public school sector. He saw an article that SCOE's homeless coordinator (Alyson Collier) spoke at the City Council forum on homelessness. She focused on the children while others focused on adults. October is anti-bullying month for many of our school districts.

Mr. Keefer reported he is still excited to be here. It is rewarding being out in the community and representing the great work we do. He looks forward to the next four years with SCOE. He feels we can make great strides in Sacramento County as a group. Hopefully, others on the Board feel the same way. It's going to be fun and exciting.

Ms. Talamantes reported that in 1988, the US Congress passed a law recognizing September 15 to October 15 as National Hispanic Heritage month so there will be a lot of events in the community. She encouraged everyone to attend. Independence Day is on Saturday at the capitol in case anyone would like to attend. She went to Loaves and Fishes and volunteered during Labor Day weekend. She thanked all the men and women in the laboring trade groups who have helped build and maintain our city. She is also excited to continue working with the Board.

Ms. Lefkovitz – no report.

Ms. Ahola thanked Superintendent Gordon and staff for adding the moment of silence for September 11 at the beginning of our meeting. She appreciated it very much.

IX.B. President Brown – no report.

IX.C. There were no committee reports.

X.A. There was no distribution of the September/October Events item.

X.B. There was no distribution of the September/October Site Visits item.

XI. Schedule for Future Board Meetings:

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XII. Ms. Ahola moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Keefer seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7 ayes). The meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David W. Gordon  
Secretary to the Board

Date approved: October 2, 2018