

**Sacramento County Board of Education Meeting Agenda at 6:30 p.m.****Tuesday, October 19, 2021****MINUTES - Unapproved****1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

President Talamantes called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. via teleconference call in Sacramento, California. Board members present were Joanne Ahola, Alfred Brown, Harold Fong, Paul Keefer, Bina Lefkovitz, and Karina Talamantes. Trustee Heather Davis attended via Zoom video. Also present were David W. Gordon, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board; Nancy Herota, Deputy Superintendent; Teresa Stinson, General Counsel; Jerry Jones, Executive Director; Shanine Coats, Director; other staff; and Wende Watson, Executive Assistant.

Other staff present via teleconference were Nicolas Schweizer, Associate Superintendent; Brent Malicote and Jacqueline White, Assistant Superintendents; Coleen Johnson, Chief Administrator; Michael Kast, Kristin Wright, Channa Cook-Harvey, and Rachel Perry, Executive Directors; and Tim Herrera, Director.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Trustee Ahola led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 14, 2021.

Motion by Trustee Alfred Brown, second by Trustee Harold Fong.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Trustees: Bina Lefkovitz, Paul Keefer, Harold Fong, Heather Davis, Alfred Brown, Joanne Ahola, Karina Talamantes

**4. Adoption of Agenda**

Motion to approve the Adoption of the Agenda as presented.

Motion by Trustee Bina Lefkovitz, second by Trustee Joanne Ahola.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Trustees: Bina Lefkovitz, Paul Keefer, Harold Fong, Heather Davis, Alfred Brown, Joanne Ahola, Karina Talamantes

**5. Official Correspondence - No Official Correspondence****6. Visitor Presentations - No Public Comments**

**Employee Organizations - No presentations**

**7. Superintendent's Report**

Recognition of the November 2021 Employees of the Month

Ron Skeahan, Para-educator/Severely Handicapped, Special Education Department, was not present to receive his certificate recognizing him as Classified Employee of the Month for November.

Danielle Scarson and Abilene Lirio, Nurses, Special Education Department, were recognized and honored as the Certificated Employees of the Month for November.

Superintendent Gordon reported that COVID cases are leveling off and decreasing in many districts, including the number of students quarantined. Sacramento City USD held a Special Board meeting during which a resolution regarding vaccine mandates was approved. Twin Rivers USD is providing booster shots for employees who had Pfizer vaccinations.

Superintendent Gordon provided the following report:

### COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Last week, he and Trustees Bina Lefkovitz, Heather Davis, and Alfred Brown toured the new Nathaniel S. Colley, Sr. High School campus, including the makerspace area, several classrooms, and the Senior Extension room. Many thanks to Principals Lisa Alcalá and Craig Bradford, and Assistant Superintendent Jackie White for organizing the tour.

### SENIOR EXTENSION

The Senior Extension Program is being recognized by the CSBA with a Golden Bell award. The award will be presented during a special ceremony at the CSBA Conference in San Diego in December. Congratulations to Principal Craig Bradford and the Senior Extension team that makes this amazing program happen for students. The program is continuing to grow with 354 students and 31 in Galt.

### EL CENTRO

SCOE is working with the staff at the Youth Detention Facility (YDF) to support educational options as the new VOYA program opens. Our culinary program will be hosting their tailgating competition November 9 with students preparing a wide range of food you would enjoy at a tailgate!

### SPECIAL EDUCATION UPDATE

Programs operating as normal, still struggling with subs and staffing para-educator positions. All staff are either vaccinated or testing weekly.

### SLY PARK SUPPER PROGRAM

Superintendent Gordon thanked the Sly Park kitchen team for taking on a project to support children and families in Pollock Pines. On October 4, the cooks and crew began preparing meals for a supper program in partnership with the Community Church of Pollock Pines. 44 people preregistered for the program and one week later, 100 people are being served. The numbers are expected to grow. With the support of the church and the local school district who helped with advertising this program, SCOE is providing healthy dinners to many children and their families.

### FALL CURRICULUM BREAKFAST

On Friday, October 15, the Curriculum and Instruction team hosted a curriculum breakfast that focused on general statewide policy updates, bringing the whole-child design to action, and provided attendees with updates on LCAP, accountability, and outcome data. Many thanks to presenters: Matt Navo, Executive Director for the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence (CCEE); Katie Brackenridge, Partnership Director at Turnaround for Children; Cathy Morrison, SCOE Coordinator in Planning and Improvement; and Cathy White, SCOE Project Specialist for C-SAPA.

### TEACHERS OF THE YEAR VISITS

In July, we honored our district's Teachers of the Year and named the County Teachers of the Year for 2022. Since we didn't have an in-person event, we took the awards presentation on the road. On October 1, Superintendent Gordon visited Mandy Garner, an agriculture teacher at Liberty Ranch High School in the Galt Joint Union High School District. We were joined by Galt Joint High School Superintendent Lisa Pettis and Liberty Ranch Principal Joe Saramago. On October 6, he visited the second County Teacher of the Year: Yvonne Thornton from the Folsom Cordova Unified School District. Yvonne teaches math, study skills, and agriculture chemistry at Cordova High School. We were joined

by Superintendent Sarah Koligian and Cordova High Principal Jerad Hyden.

### WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

Superintendent Gordon offered special thanks to our Prevention and Early Intervention team for their coordination of the local effort for National Walk to School Day, which was October 6. They were at Toby Johnson Middle School in Elk Grove. The event highlights the health benefits of walking to school and the need for safe places for students to walk and bike. Many thanks to our Prevention and Early Intervention Team for their work on this project.

### CA KIDS FIRE RELIEF UPDATE

Superintendent Gordon provided an update on "CA Kids Fire Relief." We asked for donations of gift cards and letters of support for the students in the fire regions. SCOE served as the collection point for the donations for the affected schools, students, and families. The Small School District Association organized the effort which has raised nearly \$17,000 in donations. The number of heartfelt cards and letters of support are still being counted. Many thanks to everyone who contributed, especially our employee organizations – CSEA and SCOETA – who collected nearly \$1,500 in gift cards and donations.

### MOSAC FACILITY TOUR

To express their appreciation for SCOE's assistance, museum leaders have scheduled a private tour of the Museum of Science and Curiosity (MOSAC). The tour is scheduled for November 8. Those interested in joining the tour can contact Wende Watson.

### WELCOME DARRIEN SLIDER-JOHNSON

Superintendent Gordon announced that Darrien Slider-Johnson has been selected as the new Chief Administrator, Human Resources. Darrien comes to us from the Berryessa Union School District in San Jose where she is the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources. Prior to that role, Darrien served as the Director of Human Resources with the Rescue Union School District. Darrien has over ten years' experience as a principal and began her career as a teacher in the Monterey Unified School District. She will join SCOE on November 1.

## 8. New Business - Adoption of Consent Agenda

Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda.

Motion by Trustee Paul Keefer, second by Trustee Alfred Brown.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Trustees: Bina Lefkovitz, Paul Keefer, Harold Fong, Heather Davis, Alfred Brown, Joanne Ahola, Karina Talamantes

By such action, the Board:

1. Accepted report on Personnel Transactions
2. Awarded diplomas to Court and Community Schools Students

Jacqueline White, Assistant Superintendent, announced that the following students will be awarded a diploma: Brandon Alvarez, Jasmine Nicole Anaya, William McKinley Garrett, and Lily Annie Saing from Cordova Lane Senior Extension; 1 candidate from El Centro Jr./Sr. High School; Andrea Aviles, Baquarion Icic Clark, Kayin Credic, Altagracia Alicia Estrada, and Thi Thanh Truc Than from Elinor Lincoln Hickey Senior Extension; and Kelsey D. Blas, Daniel Angelo Juarez, Mark Marlon Nelson, and Taylor Rose Stull from North Area Senior Extension.

## 9. New Business - Approval of Contracts

Motion by Trustee Paul Keefer, second by Trustee Alfred Brown.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Trustees: Bina Lefkovitz, Paul Keefer, Harold Fong, Heather Davis, Alfred Brown, Joanne Ahola, Karina Talamantes

**10. New Business - 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 Budget - David W. Gordon**

Action, Information: A. \$487,274 American Rescue Plan - Homeless Children and Youth grant from the California Department of Education for the 2021-2022, 2022-2023, and 2023-2024 fiscal years

On a motion by Trustee Harold Fong, second by Trustee Alfred Brown, 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.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Trustees: Bina Lefkovitz, Paul Keefer, Harold Fong, Heather Davis, Alfred Brown, Joanne Ahola, Karina Talamantes

**11. New Business - Other**

Action: A. Approval of the 2020-2021 Budget Revision No. 4

Nicolas Schweizer, Associate Superintendent, provided comments on this item.

Motion by Trustee Harold Fong, second by Trustee Alfred Brown.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Trustees: Bina Lefkovitz, Paul Keefer, Harold Fong, Heather Davis, Alfred Brown, Joanne Ahola, Karina Talamantes

Action: B. Approval of the 2020-2021 Unaudited Actuals Financial Report

Mr. Schweizer provided comments on this item.

Motion by Trustee Harold Fong, second by Trustee Alfred Brown.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Trustees: Bina Lefkovitz, Paul Keefer, Harold Fong, Heather Davis, Alfred Brown, Joanne Ahola, Karina Talamantes

Action: C. Public Hearing and Adoption of Resolution No. 21-12 - Establishing the 2021-2022 Appropriations Limit

Mr. Schweizer provided comments on this item.

President Talamantes opened the Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m

There were no public comments.

President Talamantes closed the Public Hearing at 7:07 p.m.

Motion by Trustee Paul Keefer, second by Trustee Heather Davis.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Trustees: Bina Lefkovitz, Paul Keefer, Harold Fong, Heather Davis, Alfred Brown, Joanne Ahola, Karina Talamantes

Information: D. AGENDA ITEM REMOVED

Action: E. Consideration and Adoption of Resolution No. 21-13 - Regarding Teleconferenced Board Meetings

Teresa Stinson, General Counsel, provided comments on this item.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 21-13 - Regarding Teleconferenced Board Meetings

Motion by Trustee Alfred Brown, second by Trustee Joanne Ahola.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Trustees: Bina Lefkovitz, Paul Keefer, Harold Fong, Heather Davis, Alfred Brown, Joanne Ahola, Karina Talamantes

Action: F. Approval of the 2021-2022 ESSER III Expenditure Plan

Jacqueline White and Michael Kast provided an overview of the 2021-2022 ESSER III Expenditure Plan.

Motion by Trustee Paul Keefer, second by Trustee Bina Lefkovitz.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Trustees: Bina Lefkovitz, Paul Keefer, Harold Fong, Heather Davis, Alfred Brown, Joanne Ahola, Karina Talamantes

Information: G. Board Report - Sacramento County School Based Mental Health Update

Assistant Superintendent Brent Malicote, and School-Based Mental Health and Wellness Director Chris Williams, provided the School Based Mental Health update.

## **12. Board Reports, Comments, and Ideas**

### **A. Board Members**

Trustee Lefkovitz - no report.

Trustee Keefer - no report.

Trustee Fong asked if SCOE could partner with SJUSD to provide support to the Afghan immigrants during the holidays. He acknowledged that SCOE had assisted with the opening of the science center and would like to see our names on a plaque at the facility, and asked what may be planned for recognition during the upcoming visit.

Trustee Davis - no report.

Trustee Brown - no report.

Trustee Ahola - no report.

### **B. Board President**

President Talamantes - no report.

### **C. Committees**

There were no committee reports.

### **13. Items for Distribution**

#### **A. October/November Events**

There was no distribution of the October/November Events.

#### **B. October/November Site Visits**

There was no distribution of the October November Site Visits item.

### **14. Schedule of Future Board Meetings**

#### **A. November 16, 2021**

#### **B. December 14, 2021**

### **15. Adjournment**

Action: A. Adjourn the Meeting

Motion by Trustee Harold Fong, second by Trustee Paul Keefer.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Trustees: Bina Lefkowitz, Paul Keefer, Harold Fong, Heather Davis, Alfred Brown, Joanne Ahola, Karina Talamantes

Meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

David W. Gordon  
Secretary to the Board

Date approved: