

Sacramento County Board of Education Meeting Agenda - 6:30 p.m.
Closed Session at 4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, June 25, 2024

MINUTES - UNAPPROVED

1. Procedural

A. Meeting Access

B. Public Comment Procedures and Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities

C. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Lefkovitz called the regular meeting to order at 4:31 p.m. Other Board members present: Alfred Brown, Paul Keefer, Mariana Corona Sabeniano, Harold Fong, and Joanne Ahola. Trustee Heather Davis was absent.

Also present were Acting General Counsel Elizabeth Linton, Executive Director Jerry Jones, and Executive Assistant Wende Watson.

D. Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Ahola led the pledge.

President Lefkovitz read a land acknowledgement.

President Lefkovitz asked if there were any public comments before convening to closed session. There were no public comments.

Open Session recessed at 4:32 p.m.

Closed Session opened at 4:36 p.m.

Closed Session recessed at 6:25 p.m.

The Board reconvened Open Session at 6:31 p.m.

In addition to those present earlier, the following individuals were also present when the Board reconvened for Open Session: David W. Gordon, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board; Dr. Nancy Herota, Deputy Superintendent; Associate Superintendents Nicolas Schweizer and Brent Malicote; Assistant Superintendents Channa Pitt, Michael Kast, and Jacqueline White; Executive Director Xanthi Soriano, and Director Shanine Coats. SCOE Appointed Board Member Representing Students Judith Marquez was also present at this time.

The Board took action in Closed Session to extend Superintendent Gordon's contract through June 30, 2028, by the following vote: 5 ayes (Lefkovitz, Keefer, Corona Sabeniano, Brown, Ahola), 1 no (Fong), 1 absent (Davis), and no abstentions.

By extending the Superintendent's contract, the Board is expressing its confidence and support for the Superintendent and what he has accomplished for the Sacramento County Office of Education. Under the provisions of the Superintendent's existing employment contract with the Board and consistent with longstanding practice, the Superintendent receives the same Cost of Living Adjustments as SCOE bargaining units and managers, which will be 4 percent as of July 1, 2024.

With these increases, the Superintendent's salary will be \$372,090.88 for the 2024-2025 school year.

Trustee Keefer moved, and Trustee Brown seconded the motion to ratify and extend the Superintendent's employment contract through June 30, 2028.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Keefer, Fong, Corona Sabeniano, Brown, Ahola, Lefkovitz
Absent: Davis

2. Visitor Presentations

A. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

B. Employee Organizations

There were no comments from employee organizations.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. No Approval of Minutes

4. Adoption of Agenda

A. Motion to approve the adoption of the agenda as presented by Trustee Ahola, second by Trustee Fong.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Corona Sabeniano, Lefkovitz, Keefer, Fong, Brown, Ahola
Absent: Davis

5. Superintendent's Report

A. Friends of Sacramento Arts Recognition - Jacqueline White

Assistant Superintendent White introduced Allison Cagley, Executive Director at Friends of Sacramento Arts. Ms. Cagley spoke about the Heroes of Arts event and arts program that was created to honor arts educators. She then introduced the two artists that work in SCOE schools who were recognized this year: Milton Bowens (El Centro Jr./Sr. High School) and Lorenzo McNeal (El Centro Jr./Sr. High School). Dr. L. Steven Winlock was also honored for his support of arts education.

B. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Gordon reported on the following:

STUDENT EVENTS

SB 1094, the civics bill authored by Senator Monique Limón, was unanimously approved on June 16, 2024. It passed as amended to be re-referred to the Committee on Appropriations, with the recommendation that it be placed on the Consent Calendar.

On June 18, SCOE hosted its Summer Soiree at the Sacramento State University Alumni Center to celebrate artists and mentors. Thank you Deputy Superintendent Nancy Herota for attending and speaking on behalf of SCOE and thank you Assistant Superintendent White and your team for planning this inaugural event.

Last week, PRO Youth hosted an award ceremony during its Synergy Event during which our own Appointed Board Member Representing Students Judith Marquez was recognized and received the Kathy Hill Hope Award. Congratulations again to Judith! Your acceptance speech touched the hearts of everyone, and inspired students. Board President Lefkovitz was there to help present Judith with this special leadership award.

RECOGNITION AND NEWS

Starting today, our Early Learning team is hosting a three-day "Joyful Literacy Institute" focused on joyful and evidence-based language and literacy learning for children in PK-1st grade. There will be interactive read-alouds using culturally affirming storybooks designed to support children's development of oral language, listening and reading comprehension, writing, creative expression, and social-emotional skills. Participants will also learn how to teach and assess foundational literacy skills in joyful and inclusive ways. Minh Lê, author of *Drawn Together*, will also be joining the group. This work, led by our Executive Director Julie Montali, helps strengthen family-school and program literacy partnerships through a shared understanding of Joyful Literacy techniques and dovetails nicely with our Sacramento County READS literacy initiative.

Earlier this afternoon, we congratulated 59 educational leaders who completed their Preliminary Administrative Services Credential Program. This latest cohort represents 14 districts and five charter schools. Thirty-five of the participants were part of our satellite program in partnership with the Association of CA School Administrators (ACSA) covering Riverside-Ontario-San Bernardino. Twelve participants were from our

partnership with National University who also received a master's in applied leadership. Thank you Deputy Superintendent Nancy Herota for speaking on behalf of SCOE to congratulate these newest graduates.

UPCOMING EVENTS

On June 26, El Centro Jr./Sr. High School will host a graduation to honor five students. This event takes place at 9:30 a.m. in the El Centro gym at 9601 Kiefer Boulevard in Sacramento.

The Sacramento Public Library launched its Summer Reading Challenge that runs through August 15 and there is still time to sign up for the Reading Challenge.

6. New Business - Adoption of Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Consent Agenda Items - David W. Gordon

Motion to adopt the Consent Agenda by Trustee Keefer, second by Trustee Brown.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Corona Sabeniano, Lefkovitz, Keefer, Fong, Brown, Ahola

Absent: Davis

B. Superintendent's Report on Personnel Transactions - Darrien Johnson

C. Award Diplomas to Court and Community School Students - Jacqueline White/
Michael Kast

Assistant Superintendent White announced that 13 students will be awarded diplomas including four candidates from Nathaniel S. Colley, Sr. High School: one candidate from Cordova Lane Senior Extension, five candidates from North Area Senior Extension, and three candidates from Leo A. Palmiter Jr./Sr. High School.

D. 2024-2025 Annual Summary Report (LCAP & Differentiated Assistance) - Dr. Nancy Herota

E. Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) - Jacqueline White/Michael Kast

F. Countywide Plan for Expelled Students 2024-2027 - Jacqueline White

G. Curriculum Adoption: Health - Jacqueline White

H. Curriculum Adoption: Ethnic Studies - Jacqueline White

I. Work Experience Education Adoption - Jacqueline White

7. New Business - Approval of Contracts - Nicolas Schweizer

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Motion to approve the contracts as listed by Trustee Keefer, second by Trustee Brown.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Corona Sabeniano, Lefkovitz, Keefer, Fong, Brown, Ahola

Absent: Davis

8. 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

Motion to approve 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 by Trustee Fong, second by Trustee Corona Sabeniano.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Corona Sabeniano, Lefkovitz, Keefer, Fong, Brown, Ahola

Absent: Davis

A. Placer County Re-Entry Program Contract - Michael Kast

B. Nevada County Probation/Placer County Re-Entry Program Contract - Michael Kast

C. Seeds of Partnership Grant - Michael Kast

D. Bilingual Teacher Professional Development Program Grant - Dr. Channa Pitt

E. Help Me Grow Developmental Screenings and Support - Dr. Channa Pitt

F. Early Head Start - Dr. Channa Pitt

G. California Community Schools Partnership Program Coordination Grant - Dr. Channa Pitt

H. California Student Opportunity and Access Program (Cal-SOAP) Grant - Brent Malicote

9. Official Correspondence

A. There was no official correspondence.

10. New Business - Other

A. Data Center Generator Replacement Project - Jerry Jones

Executive Director Jerry Jones presented the item regarding the data center generator replacement project.

Motion to authorize staff to conduct business as required to replace the existing Data Center generator with a new one, including obtaining all required, state, and local approvals, hiring architects and/or other consultants as necessary, and seeking public bids for the work by Trustee Ahola, second by Trustee Keefer.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Corona Sabeniano, Lefkovitz, Keefer, Fong, Brown, Ahola

Absent: Davis

B. Appointment of Individuals to the Local Child Care and Development Planning Council 2024-2026 - Dr. Channa Pitt

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Channa Pitt presented the item to approve the listed individuals to serve on the Local Child Care and Development Planning Council for the 2024-2026 term.

Motion to approve the listed individuals to serve on the Local Child Care and Development Planning Council for the 2024-2026 term by Trustee Keefer, second by Trustee Ahola.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Corona Sabeniano, Lefkovitz, Keefer, Fong, Brown, Ahola

Absent: Davis

C. Adoption of Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Supplement – Jacqueline White

Assistant Superintendent White presented the 2024-2025 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and Local Indicators.

Motion to adopt the 2024-2025 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) as presented by Trustee Brown, second by Trustee Corona Sabeniano.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Corona Sabeniano, Lefkovitz, Keefer, Fong, Brown, Ahola

Absent: Davis

D. Approval of the 2023-2024 Budget Revision No. 3 - Nicolas Schweizer

Associate Superintendent Schweizer presented the 2023-2024 Budget Revision No. 3.

Motion to approve the 2023-2024 Budget Revision No. 3 for the County School Service Fund, Program Budgets, and Special Funds by Trustee Ahola, second by Trustee Brown.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Corona Sabeniano, Lefkovitz, Keefer, Fong, Brown, Ahola

Absent: Davis

E. Adoption of the 2024-2025 Budget - Nicolas Schweizer

Associate Superintendent Schweizer presented the 2024-25 Budget.

Motion to adopt the 2024-2025 Budget by Trustee Corona Sabeniano, second by Trustee Brown.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Corona Sabeniano, Lefkovitz, Keefer, Fong, Brown, Ahola

Absent: Davis

F. California County Boards of Education (CCBE) and California School Boards Association (CSBA)

Motion by Trustee Brown to move Agenda Item 10.F. to the July 16, 2024 Board meeting agenda, second by Trustee Corona Sabeniano.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Corona Sabeniano, Lefkovitz, Keefer, Brown, Ahola

Absent: Davis

Abstain: Fong

Agenda Item 10.F. will be placed on the July 16, 2024 Board agenda.

11. Board Reports, Comments, and Ideas

A. Board Members

President Lefkovitz, Vice President Brown, Trustees Fong, Brown, Corona Sabeniano, and Keefer; and SCOE Appointed Board Member Representing Students Judith Marquez expressed appreciation for departing Board Member Ahola.

President Lefkovitz read a note of appreciation from Trustee Davis (who was absent) to Trustee Ahola.

Superintendent Gordon also shared his gratitude for Trustee Ahola's service on the Board on behalf of SCOE.

Trustee Ahola thanked the Board for their comments and stated that it has been an honor to serve Area 4 and work with fellow Board Members and SCOE staff.

Trustee Keefer thanked Superintendent Gordon for his work during the past year and for the efforts of SCOE staff.

President Lefkovitz presented Trustee Ahola with a plaque to commemorate her time on the SCOE Board from 2016- 2024.

B. Board President

C. Committees

12. Items for Distribution

A. June Events and Site Visits

13. Schedule of Future Board Meetings

A. July 16, 2024 and August 13, 2024

14. Adjournment

A. Adjourn the Meeting

Motion by Trustee Ahola to adjourn the meeting, second by Trustee Keefer.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Corona Sabeniano, Lefkovitz, Keefer, Fong, Brown, Ahola

Absent: Davis

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David W. Gordon
Secretary to the Board

Date approved: