

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

1290 Ridder Park Drive
San Jose, California 95131

APPROVED

Minutes of Regular Meeting #1099

Board Room

May 2, 2007

5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Jane Howard, Vice President
Craig Mann
Leon Beauchman
Anna Song
T.N. Ho
Grace Mah

Members Absent: Gary Rummelhoff, President

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Howard at 5:20 p.m.

Setting the Agenda

MOTION #1099-1 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Mr. Ho, that the agenda be approved as submitted.

MOTION #1099-1 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-1 with President Rummelhoff absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Vice President Howard asked newly appointed member Mah to lead the pledge of allegiance.

COE Employee of the Month: Sandra Fakaosi, School Assessment Tech, Alternative Schools Department

Mr. Mann introduced the May Employee of the Month, Sandra Fakaosi. He noted Ms. Fakaosi's contributions and presented a plaque and an engraved pen in recognition of her work. Mr. Mann introduced Mr. David Wong, Osborne Principal, who spoke of Ms. Fakaosi's calmness and attention to detail. Ms. Fakaosi thanked everyone for the recognition and introduced her family.

Ms. Mah thanked Superintendent Wilcox, Board members and her supporters for their encouragement and acknowledged her family and friends who were in the audience.

Hearing of Persons Desiring to Address the Board or to Present Petitions

Vice President Howard invited members of the public to address the Board.

The following individuals spoke on behalf of Grace Mah and thanked the Board for appointing Ms. Mah to the Board.

Rosemary Sias-Roguero, citizen
Laura Casas Frier, citizen
Vicki Hobel Schultz, citizen

Consent Action Items

MOTION #1099-2 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Ms. Howard, that the following Consent Action Items be approved:

- Request Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of April 18, 2007 (#1098)
- Request Approval of Purchase Order Exceeding \$100,000
- Request Approval for the Submission of a CCSESA Non-Competitive Regional Capacity Building Grant

MOTION #1099-2 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-1 with President Rummelhoff absent.

Study Action Items

Request Approval of the Monthly Financial Report and Budget Revisions for the Period Ending March 31, 2007

Mr. Doug Coffman, Director, Internal Business Services, presented an overview of the report and answered questions from the Board.

MOTION #1099-3 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Mr. Ho that the Board approve the Monthly Financial Report, Budget Revisions for the period ending March 31, 2007.

MOTION #1099-3 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-1 with President Rummelhoff absent.

Request Adoption of Resolution Supporting Senate Bill 909

MOTION #1099-4 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Ms. Song that the Board approve the resolution calling on the legislature to support Senate Bill 909. (*resolution attached*)

The following roll call was taken:

AYE: Vice President Howard, members Ho, Mann, Song, Beauchman and Mah
NO: -none-
ABSTAIN: -none-
ABSENT: President Rummelhoff

MOTION #1099-4 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-1 with President Rummelhoff absent.

Request Adoption of Resolution Calling on the Legislature to Oppose Senate Bill 802

MOTION #1099-5 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Ms. Song that the Board approve the resolution calling on the legislature to oppose Senate Bill 802. (*resolution attached*)

The following roll call was taken:

AYE: Vice President Howard, members Ho, Mann, Song, Beauchman and Mah
NO: -none-
ABSTAIN: -none-
ABSENT: President Rummelhoff

MOTION #1099-5 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-1 with President Rummelhoff absent.

Request Adoption of Resolution Calling on the Legislature to Support Assembly Bill 1236

Board members deliberated and agreed to table this item.

Request Adoption of Resolution Calling on the Legislature to Oppose Senate Bill 679

Superintendent Wilcox reported that Assembly Bill 850 would require independent monitoring and the establishment of a separate API for students enrolled in independent study. (*resolution attached*)

MOTION #1099-6 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Ms. Song that the Board approve the adoption of resolution calling on the legislature to oppose Senate Bill 679.

The following roll call was taken:

AYE: Vice President Howard, members Ho, Mann, Song, Beauchman and Mah
NO: -none-
ABSTAIN: -none-
ABSENT: President Rummelhoff

MOTION #1099-6 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-1 President Rummelhoff absent.

Request Approval for the Submission of the California Migrant Education Project Pipeline (C-MEPP) Competitive Grant

Superintendent Wilcox and Mr. Joe Fimiani, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services introduced Ms. Deborah Abello, Director, Migrant Education, who spoke about the Project Pipeline grant and answered questions from the Board.

MOTION #1099-7 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Ms. Song that the Board approve the submission of the California Migrant Education Project Pipeline competitive grant.

MOTION #1099-7 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-1 President Rummelhoff absent.

Information Items

Instructional Media Technology Services

Ms. Linda Aceves, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services, introduced Mr. Craig Blackburn, Director, Instructional Media Technology, who provided an overview of his department services, products, upcoming events and answered questions from the Board.

First Reading of Revisions to Board Policy 6230 – Charter School Petitions

Dr. Porter Sexton, Executive Director, Center for Educational Planning, presented the proposed revisions to Board Policy 6230 and answered questions.

First Reading of Revisions to Board Policy 6232 – Charter School Petitions

Dr. Sexton reported that specifications were added to the charter revocation section of Board Policy 6232 and answered questions from the Board.

First Reading of Revisions to Board Bylaw 8210 – Membership of the Board

Dr. Sexton explained that wording taken directly from Ed Code was added to Board Bylaw 8210.

First Reading of Revisions to Board Bylaw 8221 – Filling of Board Vacancies

Dr. Sexton discussed that an attachment to Board Bylaw 8221 has been deleted since the referenced document no longer exists and that a correction has been made to petition requirements.

First Reading of Revisions to Board Bylaw 8320 – Regular Meetings

Dr. Sexton reported that a change was made to the information items section of Board Bylaw 8320 in order to clarify what is reported at the end of meetings by board members.

Williams Complaints Report

Superintendent Wilcox gave a brief summary of the Williams Complaints Report. No Williams complaints have been received.

Report on Ethnic Status of Employees

Ms. Laura Kidwiler, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources provided an overview on the ethnic status of employees and answered questions from the Board.

Update on Pathfinder

Mr. Fimiani provided an update on Pathfinder.

Board Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

County Board of Education Travel

Anna Song

- Attended a dinner event sponsored by Facing History and Ourselves

T.N. Ho

- Attended the Mock Trial Recognition ceremony

Leon Beauchman

- Attended a Silicon Valley Leadership Group meeting
- Attended the annual student recognition of the Santa Clara County Alliance of Black Educators

Jane Howard

- Attended the Mock Trial Recognition ceremony

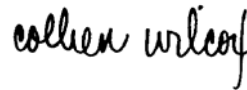
Superintendent's Report

- COE talking points for Board members
- COE receives two California School Public Relations Association (CalSPRA) awards
- May 16 board meeting will start at 5:30 p.m.
- Staff Recognition event, May 24

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Colleen B. Wilcox, Ph.D., Superintendent
Ex-Officio Secretary

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RESOLUTION
SB 909(Simitian) – Support
School districts: governing board members: compensation

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Resolution Number: 1099-1

WHEREAS, Section 35120 of the Education Code relates to school districts and the compensation for governing board members who attend all governing board meetings; and

WHEREAS, existing law authorizes the governing board of a school district to prescribe an amount of compensation for the services of a member of the governing board of a school district who attends all governing board meetings based on the average daily attendance of the school district for the prior school year; and

WHEREAS, it has been more than ten years since there was an increase in the total amount of governing board compensation; and

WHEREAS, State Senator Joe Simitian has introduced SB 909, as amended, doubling the compensation amount that may be prescribed for each of the average daily attendance category of school districts; and

WHEREAS, on an annual basis, the governing board may also increase the compensation of individual board members beyond the limits, in an amount not to exceed 5 percent based on the present monthly rate of compensation. An increase shall be effective upon approval by the governing board; and

WHEREAS, the increase in compensation may attract more candidates for election to a governing board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Clara County Board of Education supports the increase in compensation for governing board members and urges the California Legislature to adopt SB 909.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education at a meeting held on May 2, 2007 by the following vote:

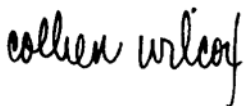
AYES: Vice President Howard, members Ho, Mann, Song, Beauchman and Mah

NOES: -none-

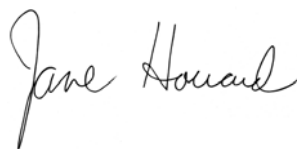
ABSTAIN: -none-

ABSENT: President Rummelhoff

Signed by:



Colleen B. Wilcox, Ph.D.
County Superintendent of Schools



Gary Rummelhoff, President
Santa Clara County Board of Education

**RESOLUTION
SB 802 (Romero)**

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Resolution Number: 1099-2**

WHEREAS, the existing system of alternative education programs has developed over the past 40 years to meet the educational needs of at-risk students; and

WHEREAS, SB 802 would eliminate current alternative education programs, and require county and school district superintendents in each county to devise a new system to assure appropriate services for this at-risk population of students; and

WHEREAS, the existing structure ensures that the funding for alternative education services follows the student irrespective of where that student is placed, and helps assure that resources are directed specifically to meet those needs. This bill creates a block-grant funding structure that is likely to erode targeted funding; and

WHEREAS, community, community day and continuation schools are a critical and successful part of the continuum of educational services offered in the California public school system, and this bill would leave students who are currently served in alternative education settings without a safety net;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Santa Clara County Board of Education opposes the elimination of the existing alternative education service system, and urges the Legislature to oppose SB 802.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education at a meeting held on May 2, 2007 by the following vote:

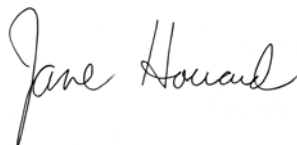
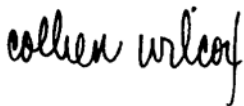
AYES: Vice President Howard, members Ho, Mann, Song, Beauchman and Mah

NOES: -none-

ABSTAIN: -none-

ABSENT: President Rummelhoff

Signed by:



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County Superintendent of Schools

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**RESOLUTION
SB 679 (Romero)**

**SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
Resolution Number: 1099-3**

WHEREAS, the academic performance of students enrolled in independent study is already included in the existing assessment and accountability system; and

WHEREAS, the state assessment system requires greater cohesion, not fragmentation; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of separate growth-based performance rankings would be inconsistent with the existing accountability structure for other public schools; and

WHEREAS, increased instructional time offerings required for community and continuation schools as proposed in this bill could create another unfunded state mandate;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Clara County Board of Education opposes an independent study monitoring program and the establishment of a separate independent study API for school districts and county offices of education that enroll students in programs of independent study, and urges the Legislature to oppose SB 679.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education at a meeting held on May 2, 2007 by the following vote:

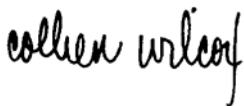
AYES: Vice President Howard, members Ho, Mann, Song, Beauchman and Mah

NOES: -none-

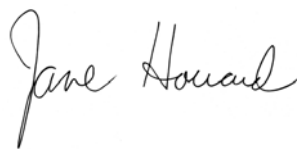
ABSTAIN: -none-

ABSENT: President Rummelhoff

Signed by:



Colleen B. Wilcox, Ph.D.
County Superintendent of Schools



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