

**SHASTA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Shasta County Office of Education

2985 Innsbruck Drive

Redding, CA 96003

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**March 13, 2024**

**ADOPTED**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President Brown at 1:30 pm.

Members Present

Robert Brown, President

Nick Webb, Vice President

Kathy Barry

Authur Gorman

Laura Manuel

Denny Mills

Cindy Vogt

Robin Comas, Student Board Member

Jackson Richards, Student Board Member

Members Absent

None

Administrators Present

Judy Flores, Shasta County Superintendent of Schools

Adam Hillman, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services

Mike Freeman, Associate Superintendent, Instructional Services

Others Present

Carmen Bahr, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent (Recording Secretary)

*(There may have been others in attendance. Those in attendance may have attended only a portion of the meeting.)*

James Alspach

Kerri Schuette

Jodie Van Ornum

Jessica Bigby

Jenn Cobb

Maggie Joyce

De'An Chambless

Austin Preller

Ada Rappeport

Tom Gauthier

Lyndsey Gilstrap

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Student Board Member Comas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

### 4. **BOARD INITIATIVES**

#### 4.1. Substance Abuse Prevention Education

Vice President Webb, subcommittee chair, shared that much of what he had to share was shared in the board training. We have two initiatives that look very different. Our largest efforts will be to support the staff in Youth Support Services and the Board will be sharing the messages in their spheres of influence. They have talked about participating in media campaigns and with other Local Education Agencies (LEAs). Board Member Vogt pointed out that this is a focus of other LEAs and community groups. It will create a lot of great collaboration.

### 5. **PROCLAMATION**

#### 5.1. Strengthening Families Collaborative

Mike Freeman, Associate Superintendent of Instructional Services, explained that he is serving as Chair for the Strengthening Families Collaborative. The Shasta County Office of Education has participated since 2012. Last March this proclamation was first shared with the Board. March is Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES) awareness month. This will be an annual tradition as we continue to work as a collaborative with several groups in Shasta County.

**ACTION:** Vice President Webb moved to adopt the Strengthening Families Collaborative Proclamation with one edit. Board Member Mills seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously as follows:

**Shasta County Board of Education**

AYES: Barry, Brown, Gorman, Manuel, Mills, Vogt, Webb

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

**Student Board Members**

AYES: Comas, Richards

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

### 6. **DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

#### 6.1. Youth Support Service

Austin Preller, Executive Director Youth Support Services, presented the Youth Support Service annual update to the Board. He provided an update, celebrations, and challenges for each program.

Foster Youth Services Coordinating Program - He highlighted the FOCUS (Focusing on Children Under Stress) Program. In the 2023/24 school year, they have received 57 notifications. Since there are a lot of changes in staffing at the different partner organizations, they are creating training videos for all staff involved. A few celebrations mentioned were the 45 high school foster youth accessing tutoring, the successful Resource Parent Outreach event, and the Grant-funded research project.

Education of Homeless Children and Youth - The Motel 6 Project program is thriving. It has served a total of 88 people. The Food Resources (food pantry) has helped 791 households. Celebrations include the funding they were able to get to continue the Motel 6 project, participated in a case study, and the

Homeless Management Information System. A challenge they are facing is the sunseting of one-time funds.

Substance Use Prevention Education - They have been able to give 45 prevention presentations that provided information to 680 students. A celebration was Rocky's week in Redding that included student presentations to over 1,600 8th graders, professional development, parent/community event, and media interviews. Another celebration is Youth Support Services presenting at the Redding Restart Event where they get to share their work. Their challenge is parent/guardian engagement.

Expanding Learning Project SHARE Program - They have transitioned to online registration and a staff login system. They are set up to provide intercession services for 17 schools and provide support to districts in the development of the Expanded Learning Opportunity Plans (ELOP). The celebration includes new enrichment opportunities: School of Sportz - how sports teaches us life lessons, drone curriculum, and student podcast. The challenges are ongoing recruitment and retention of staff and facilitators being counted in ratios.

Mr. Preller shared the three goals for the department. A few of the things he highlighted:

- Making sure people feel connected to their work with an internal and external newsletter
- Thanking our partners and establishing new partnerships
- Professional development

## **7. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

### **7.1. Board**

- 7.1.1. February 7, 2024 Special Board Meeting Minutes
- 7.1.2. February 14, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 7.1.3. February 28, 2024 Special Board Training Minutes

### **7.2. Administrative Services**

- 7.2.1. Credentials and Oaths for Temporary Certificates

Board Member Gorman asked to remove 7.1.1 from the Consent Agenda because he said the minutes were incorrect in stating, "The motion failed because it did not follow Education Code section 1042(e)."

**ACTION:** Board Member Mills moved to approve the Consent Agenda without item 7.1.1. Vice President Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously as follows:

#### **Shasta County Board of Education**

AYES: Barry, Brown, Gorman, Manuel, Mills, Vogt, Webb

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

#### **Student Board Members**

AYES: Comas, Richards

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

Board Member Gorman made a motion to have "The motion failed because it did not follow Education Code section 1042(e)." removed from the minutes. No one seconded the motion. The motion failed.

**ACTION:** Student Board Member Richards moved to approve item 7.1.1. Board Member Vogt seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority vote as follows:

**Shasta County Board of Education**

AYES: Barry, Brown, Manuel, Mills, Vogt, Webb

NOES: Gorman

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

**Student Board Members**

AYES: Comas, Richards

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

**8. INFORMATION**

Materials were provided in the Board agenda packet for the following Information items. No discussion took place during the Board meeting unless otherwise noted below.

**8.1. Administrative Services**

8.1.1. General Fund Board Report

8.1.2. New, Retired, and Exited Employee Quarterly

**9. ACTION**

**9.1. Administrative Services**

9.1.1. Second Interim Budget (2023/24)

Jessica Bigby, Senior Executive Director Business Services, shared a few aspects of the budget cycle. She explained that as the year progresses they keep refining what the budget is going to look like when it closes at the end of the year.

**ACTION:** Board Member Gorman moved to approve item 9.1.1. as submitted. Board Member Manuel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously as follows:

**Shasta County Board of Education**

AYES: Barry, Brown, Gorman, Manuel, Mills, Vogt, Webb

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

**Student Board Member**

AYES: Comas, Richards

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

**9.2. Instructional Services**

9.2.1. Opioid Overdose Response and Naloxone Administration

Mr. Freeman explained that Senate Bill 10 lines up with our Substance Use Prevention Education initiative. This is the plan that we will be using in the training of all of our staff. We put the steps in writing that we have used in practice. We were able to share this with the district superintendents for their use as well.

**ACTION:** Board Member Mills moved to approve item 9.2.1. as submitted. Student Board Member Comas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously as follows:

**Shasta County Board of Education**

AYES: Barry, Brown, Gorman, Manuel, Mills, Vogt, Webb

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

**Student Board Member**

AYES: Comas, Richards

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT:

## **10. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT**

- Robin Comas, University Preparatory School

She shared that the Student Voice Panel was last week. She has received acceptances from a few schools including UC Irvine, UC Davis, and some Cal State Universities.

- Jackson Richards, Shasta High School

He reported that he was a panel member at the Substance Abuse Prevention event and a keynote speaker at a CASC Conference.

## **11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Flores shared a couple of documents in the board folders regarding SCOE's Principal for a day and the SCOE Core Value Promises. She also talked about the following:

- Principal for a Day - It was a great collaborative effort. We appreciated all of the school administrators and districts that participated. We had more community members interested than we had school administrators able to participate.
- Core Value Promises - One of her priorities for the 2023-24 school year was moving in a direction where employees can make the core value promises specific. There is now a promise for each core value.
- Thursday was the final Aspiring Leaders session for the year. Those who participated read the Gift of Influence by Tommy Spaulding. Leadership practices included in the book were discussed as well as how they can be applied to being a leader within SCOE.
- She visited Stellar Charter School at the end of February.

Superintendent Flores also shared that there was a California Department of Education Preschool Contract Review that was just completed and asked Associate Superintendent Mr. Freeman to share the outcome of the review. He attended the team meeting where the California Department of Education summarized the review and outcomes. The reviews were ratings of excellence for our team. He was proud of our team as they were validated by state expertise.

## **12. DISCUSSION**

### **12.1. Board**

#### **12.1.1. Student Board Member Preparation for Educator Appreciation Event**

Superintendent Flores explained that this event has been around since Charlie Menoher was Superintendent of Schools. The intent is to highlight great things happening in education. The student board members share a speech on the impact of an educator or educators on their life. They need to have the first draft ready about a month ahead of time for their mentor and Superintendent Flores to review.

#### **12.1.2. Student Voice Panel Recap**

Student Board Member Comas shared her takeaways from the panel. There were four other students. It was on school safety and well-being. They discussed physical safety and wished the teachers could inform students more about what is happening. Inclusivity was also discussed in regard to being a minority and those dealing with specific situations. They had conversations about bullying and how

counselors can be more supportive.

12.1.3. Board Reports/Correspondence/Comment

President Brown provided an ROP Report. ROP will be increasing fees incrementally over the next five years until 2028/29. They have selected four applicants to interview for the next ROP Superintendent.

**13. REMINDERS/UPCOMING EVENTS**

- April 22, 2024 - Board Tour of SCOE Placer
- May 9, 2024 - Educator Appreciation
- May 23, 2024 - Spring Fling

**14. BOARD MEMBER MEETING FEEDBACK**

There was no board member meeting feedback.

**15. NEXT MEETING** - April 10, 2024, 1:30 p.m. at Shasta County Office of Education, 2985 Innsbruck Drive, Redding, CA 96003

**16. ADJOURN**

President Brown adjourned the meeting at 3:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Flores, Shasta County Superintendent of Schools  
Ex-Officio Secretary to the Board