

**SHASTA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Shasta County Office of Education

2985 Innsbruck Drive

Redding, CA 96003

**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**November 8, 2023**

**ADOPTED**

**1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President Barry at 1:30 p.m.

Members Present

Kathy Barry, President

Robert Brown, Vice President

Authur Gorman

Laura Manuel

Denny Mills

Cindy Vogt

Nick Webb

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.)*

Michele Dugar

Cole Rumford

De'An Chambless

Kerri Schuette

Stephanie Byars

Rebecca Lewis

Richard Gallardo

Brandy Groves

Wendy Hall

Jessica Bigby

James Alspach

Katy Martin

Tom Gauthier

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board Member Vogt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Michele Dugar spoke about Chino Valley's board policy 5020.

Richard Gallardo spoke about board bylaw 9322.

Jim Burnett spoke about Chino Valley's board policy 5020.

### 4. **BOARD INITIATIVES**

#### 4.1. Substance Abuse Prevention

Board Member Webb shared that their subcommittee met and reviewed the issues that they think are at the forefront. They talked about board and staff capacity and the funding necessary to meet needs. The subcommittee will meet this month to determine available funds and how to move forward. Board Member Gorman contacted the Health and Human Services Agency. He provided facts regarding the deaths, hospitalizations, and Narcan use in Shasta County. Board Member Vogt pointed out that the statistics may be underreported because they came from 2020. They also talked about adding "education" to their initiative - Substance Abuse Prevention Education.

#### 4.2. Literacy

Board Member Manual reported that they met last week with Stephanie Byars, Director of District and School Support. She reviewed their PowerPoint presentation. It was noted that the committee values the work of SCOE and doesn't want to get in the way. They want to come alongside what is being done and increase the community's understanding. Board Member Mills shared that a meeting is scheduled with Renee Menefee, Executive Director of Early Childhood Services, to see how they can support early childhood. Board Member Vogt mentioned a possible partnership with First 5 Shasta.

### 5. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

#### 5.1. **Board**

5.1.1. October 11, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

#### 5.2. **Administrative Services**

5.2.1. Credentials and Oaths for Temporary Certificates

#### 5.3. **Instructional Services**

5.3.1. Early Childhood Services California State Preschool Program Goals and Objectives

Board Member Gorman asked to pull item 5.3.1 Early Childhood Services California State Preschool Program Goals and Objectives.

**ACTION:** Board Member Mills moved to approve the Consent Agenda without item 5.3.1. Board Member Gorman 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 pulled item 5.3.1. because he was reading the information with teachers and they wondered if they could receive the information listed on page 2. Brandy Groves, Director Early Education and Instructional Services, explained that they already give information directly to the

parents to share with the teachers. We can only provide requested information with the parent's signature.

**ACTION:** Board Member Gorman moved to approve item 5.3.1. as submitted. Student Board Member Richards 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:

**6. 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.

**6.1. Administrative Services**

6.1.1. General Fund Board Report

6.1.2. 2024/25 School Year Calendars  
2025/26 School Year Calendars

**6.2. Instructional Services**

6.2.1. Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints

6.2.2. Williams Site Visits Summary Reports

6.2.3. School Attendance Review Board (SARB) Annual Report

**7. ACTION**

**7.1. Administrative Services**

**ACTION:** Board Member Webb moved to approve moving to Closed Session. Board Member Brown 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:

## CLOSED SESSION

- 7.1.1. Government Code Section 54956.8  
Conference with Real Property Negotiators  
Property: 5040 Caterpillar Road, Redding  
Agency Negotiator: Cole Rumford & Adam Hillman  
Negotiating Parties: Jaswinder Kumar & Pardeep Singh  
Under Negotiation: \$2,750,000

## OPEN SESSION

- 7.1.2. Action Taken in Closed Session  
There was no reportable action taken.

### 7.2. Instructional Services

- 7.2.1. California Department of Education Continued Funding Application for SCOE  
California State Preschool Programs, Child Care Incentive Project, and General  
Child Care Program Services

**ACTION:** Board Member Gorman moved to approve item 7.2.1. as submitted. Board Member Brown 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:

### 7.3. Board

- 7.3.1. Student Board Member Attendance at California School Boards Association  
Student Board Member Trainings, January 29, 2024 and April 15, 2024

Student Board Member Comas and Richards are interested in attending both training sessions.

**ACTION:** Board Member Brown moved to approve item 7.3.1. as submitted for both Student Board Members to attend both training sessions. 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:

7.3.2. Revised Board Policy and Exhibit 5117.1 - Interdistrict Attendance Appeal Handbook

Suggested edits included:

- The numerical order of the bullet points on page 10 of the handbook, page 104 of the agenda packet.
- Remove the second 'open session' in #9 on page 10.
- In the paragraph after second #8 on page 10, edit three (3) school days to reflect both school/work days if it takes place in the summer.

**ACTION:** Board Member Mills moved to approve item 7.3.2. with the changes noted. Board Member Vogt 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:

7.3.3. Schedule Annual Organizational Meeting of the board per Education Code 35143

**ACTION:** Board Member Webb moved to approve item 7.3.3. as submitted. Board Member Gorman 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:

## **8. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT**

- Robin Comas, University Preparatory School

Student Board Member Comas shared the things that she has been involved in since the last board meeting:

- Helping pack packets for Shasta Reads
- Student advocacy
- Working on a survey and subcommittee
- Peer court
- She attended a student board member CSBA networking meeting and met other student board members.

- Jackson Richards, Shasta High School

Student Board Member Richards shared that he had participated in the following:

- Literacy Committee
- Communicating with the state student board member to see how to help Shasta County

## **9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Flores reported the following:

- Mike Mangas reported on Whiskeytown Environmental School (WES).
- There will be a Sierra Pacific Industries gift announcement at WES tomorrow.
- She has continued to have the “brown bag lunches” where she goes to each facility and talks to the staff. This month she had lunch with Maintenance and Operations. She will be going to Early Childhood Services tomorrow.
- Reach Higher Shasta is bringing Kevin Fleming to Redding. There was a flyer invitation included in the board’s folders.
- Slides on chronic absenteeism. She noted that this is the first time we have been below the state average.

## **10. DISCUSSION**

### **10.1. Board**

#### **10.1.1. Determine Superintendent’s Compensation Subcommittee**

Adam explained the process that we use. Asking for the same thing as the employees received in July. Looking for 1-2 board members for the subcommittee - Board Members Gorman and Barry volunteered.

#### **10.1.2. Review Board Policy 5020 - Parent Rights and Responsibilities**

Board Member Gorman suggested that we add 1c to what we already have. It is regarding informing parents within three days that their student checked in for a mental health check.

Associate Superintendent Mike Freeman explained that we do not withhold any unofficial records from our parents.

Board Member Manual said that we do not need this policy at this time. We do not want to have a policy that is entangled in the courts.

Board Member Mills agreed that we should stay the course while this is all settled in court.

#### **10.1.3. Board Reports/Correspondence/Comment**

Board Member Manual noted that the County Committee has a lot of meetings. She recommended listening to the Lozano Smith podcast on CVRA from April 22, episode 53.

**11. REMINDERS/UPCOMING EVENTS**

- December 5, 2023, 6:00 pm - County Committee Meeting for AUHSD
- December 12, 2023, 5:30 pm - County Committee Meeting for EESD
- December 13, 2023, 12:15 pm - County Committee Meeting
- December 13, 2023, 12:30 pm - Budget Study Session
- December 13, 2023, 1:30 pm - Board Meeting
- December 19, 2023, 5:30 pm - County Committee Meeting for SUHSD
- February 28, 2023, 8:00 am - Board Training Meeting

**12. BOARD MEMBER MEETING FEEDBACK**

Board Member Manual commented that public comment went well. She has concerns that it may be too limiting only to have it at the beginning but is willing to give it a try.

**13. NEXT MEETING - December 13, 2023, 12:30 p.m. at Shasta County Office of Education, 2985 Innsbruck Drive, Redding, CA 96003**

**14. ADJOURN**

President Barry adjourned the meeting at 3:57 p.m.

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