

SHASTA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Shasta County Office of Education
1644 Magnolia Ave.
Redding, CA 96001

March 10, 2021
Regular Meeting Minutes

This meeting was held via teleconference and met the requirements of the Brown Act as allowed by the California Governor's Executive Order issued in response to the "shelter-in-place" requirements based on the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic.

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ADOPTED

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

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

Members Present

Robert Brown
Rhonda Hull
Steve MacFarland
Laura Manuel
Denny Mills, President
Jennifer Snider
Kaitlin Killion, Student Board Member
Leah Perez, Student Board Member

Members Absent

Kathy Barry, Vice President

Administrators Present

Judy Flores, Shasta County Superintendent of Schools
Adam Hillman, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services
Brien McCall, Associate Superintendent, Instructional Services

Others Present

Erica Flores, 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.)

Mike Freeman
De'An Chambless
Dan Ostrowski
Mary Lord
Jeremy Sawtelle
Ray Witte
Rebecca Lewis

2. TELECONFERENCE PROTOCOLS

President Mills explained the protocols of the meeting, as it was held online.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION: Board Member MacFarland moved to approve the Agenda as submitted.
Board Member Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority as follows:

Shasta County Board of Education

AYES: Brown, Hull, MacFarland, Manuel, Mills, Snider

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT: Barry

Student Board Members

AYES: Perez

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT: Killion

4. HEARING OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

There was no public comment.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

5.1. Board

5.1.1. February 10, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

5.2. Administrative Services

5.2.1. Credentials and Oaths for Temporary Certificates

5.3. Instructional Services

5.3.1. Certification of Supervisors of Attendance

5.3.2. Revised Board Policy & Administrative Regulation 5126-Students-Awards for Achievement

5.3.3. Donation/Gift Acceptance-Friends of Schreder Planetarium

ACTION: Board Member Snider moved to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted.
Board Member Hull seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority as follows:

Shasta County Board of Education

AYES: Brown, Hull, MacFarland, Manuel, Mills, Snider

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT: Barry

Student Board Members

AYES: Perez

NOES:

ABSTENTIONS:

ABSENT: Killion

6. INFORMATION

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

6.1. Administrative Services

6.1.1. General Fund Board Report

6.1.2. New, Retired, and Exited Employee Quarterly Report

6.1.3. SCOE Audit Report (2019/20)

6.1.4. Chrysalis Charter School Audit Report (2019/20)

6.2. Instructional Services

6.2.1. Consolidated Application Mid-Year Report

7. PRESENTATION

7.1. Rare Genes Day 2021 Update-Jeremy Sawtelle

Jeremy Sawtelle, Director of District & School Specialized Student Support, presented to the Board.

He shared that he was honored to be part of this project, working with an eighth grader from Stellar Charter School named Chloe.

February 28th is Global Rare Disease Day. Chloe came up with the slogan, “Wear jeans for Rare Jeans” for February 28.

Students at Stellar Charter School designed the logos and created their own website. There was a livestream Facebook event hosted by Stellar Charter School. Students read poetry, and different doctors spoke, sharing their experiences working with students with rare genes.

Dignity Health donated several items to all students who participated including backpacks, water bottles, etc.

Questions:

Board Member Manuel asked if this is a national effort, and where the fundraising goes.

Mr. Sawtelle shared that their goal was to raise awareness and SCOE’s part of the process was to help raise money. Chloe wanted to support the Rare Genes’ research. Some students chose to raise money for the organizations and some students chose to bike to raise awareness. It is a global Rare Genes Day, celebrated on that day.

8. ACTION

8.1. Administrative Services

8.1.1. Second Interim Budget (2020/21)

Adam Hillman presented to the Board. Typically, at second interim there are very few changes from the first interim. None of the proposed items from the Board Planning Session are included in this budget. They will go into next year’s budget.

President Mills asked why there is an estimate of a 450-student decrease in our ADA. Ms. Chambless responded that this includes both public and charter schools and that the estimate is based on past years’ trends.

ACTION: **Board Member MacFarland** moved to approve **Item 8.1.1** as submitted
Board Member Manuel seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority as follows:
Shasta County Board of Education
AYES: Brown, Hull, MacFarland, Manuel, Mills, Snider
NOES:
ABSTENTIONS:
ABSENT: Barry
Student Board Members
AYES: Perez
NOES:
ABSTENTIONS:
ABSENT: Killion

8.1.2. Resolution to Authorize Submittal of Application for School Bus Grant

Adam Hillman present to the Board on behalf of Katy Martin. When the resolution was originally approved, there was a different manager as signer. Now Katy Martin is listed as signer, so that she can sign on the grant.

ACTION: Board Member MacFarland moved to approve **Item 8.1.2** as submitted.
Board Member Snider seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority as follows:
Shasta County Board of Education
AYES: Brown, Hull, MacFarland, Manuel, Mills, Snider
NOES:
ABSTENTIONS:
ABSENT: Barry
Student Board Members
AYES: Perez
NOES:
ABSTENTIONS:
ABSENT: Killion

9. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT

- Leah Perez, Shasta High School

Ms. Perez shared that, at the recent Student Advisory Conference, which she led and Student Board Member Killion attended, they created three different proposals.

Sports are returning to schools. Only family members may attend games in person. Her school is celebrating sports being back with a Spirit Week.

There is less of a possibility of having Prom. The school district is meeting with Public Health. They are not sure how they can safely gather with a group that large. Pushing the date out may be an option.

Students and teachers are getting very involved and enjoying Wolf Wars.

It looks like they will going back to full-time in-person classes after Spring Break.

Senior scholarship applications are due today. College acceptance letter have been arriving. She has been accepted to CalPoly, UC Santa Cruz, and a school in England.

Board Member Manuel asked if there are other schools she's waiting to hear from.

Ms. Perez replied that she applied to 23 schools and should hear the last week of March, or the first week of April. Her plan is a double major in math and political science, but she may switch math and astrophysics.

10. BOARD BUSINESS

10.1. Board Comments/Discussion/Reports/Correspondence

Board Member MacFarland shared that Superintendent Flores was awarded the California Senate Woman of the Year Award on behalf of Brian Dahle.

President Mills shared that the recognition is well deserved and that SCOE and the Board are all very proud of her accomplishments.

11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

11.1. Sunshine of Intent to Bargain with Shasta County Certificated Educator Association (SCCEA), California School Employee Association (CSEA) #642, and Child Development Educator Association-Shasta County (CDEA-SC)

Superintendent Flores shared that they will begin bargaining with unions later this month. They hope to have them completed by mid-June so the salary increase may be incorporated into June paychecks.

11.2. Other Items

School Reopening Grants

Adam Hillman shared the report with a slideshow.

New grant funds have been awarded to Shasta County. These funds must be expended by August 31, 2022.

Shasta County will receive an \$8.2 million In-Person Instruction grant. These funds may be used for any purpose consistent with providing in-person instruction for any pupil participating in in-person instruction.

Shasta County will also receive an \$18.9 million Expanding Learning Opportunities Grant. Districts will get different amounts based on their individual needs. 85% of funds must go towards in-person instruction, and 15% may be used for distance learning or preparing to reopen schools.

SCOE will receive \$750,000. There are a variety of meetings scheduled to discuss how the funds will be utilized. The final plan will be brought before the Board in May.

COVID Update

Ms. Flores provided the update.

In the last 14 days, there have been 48 confirmed COVID cases across 20 sites. We had our first outbreak at one school, although it was originally transmitted outside of school.

Vaccines for Educators

This coming Sunday is the last clinic devoted just to educators and childcare providers. Safeway will be holding a clinic for schools. Well over 1,500 educators and childcare providers have been vaccinated so far.

Safety Review Plan

Districts that have appealed the 4-foot distance guideline are now hearing back from the State regarding their safety plans. Happy Valley & Chrysalis Charter School have received responses from the State. Both were required to provide more information.

Tomorrow Ms. Flores will meet with Janessa Hartmann and Dr. Ramstrom. They will discuss options to provide asymptomatic testing as the California Department of Public Health is requiring an asymptomatic testing plan for any school where there is less than four feet of distance between students.

Districts are in the planning stages for graduation. They are working with Shasta County Public Health. The current plans are being modeled after the State's guidance for live performances, which stipulates they must be held outdoors.

12. MEETING FEEDBACK/SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Board Member Manuel requested that school reopening grants be listed as its own item instead of under Superintendent's Report.

13. REMINDERS/UPCOMING EVENTS

- *Educator Appreciation Video Distribution-April 2021*

14. NEXT MEETING-April 14, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. via teleconference

15. ADJOURN

President Mills adjourned the meeting at 3:07 p.m.

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