SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION GAYLORD A. NELSON EDUCATION CENTER / BOARD ROOM 2901 ARCH-AIRPORT ROAD / STOCKTON, CA MAY 21, 2014 / 12:00 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT:

David Sorgent, President; Jill Fritchen, Vice-President; Anthony Gutierrez,

Board member; Janet Dyk, Board member; Mick Founts, Secretary.

ABSENT:

Mark Thiel, Board member.

OTHERS PRESENT:

James Mousalimas, Deputy Superintendent; Jim Thomas, Deputy Superintendent; Jane Steinkamp, Assistant Superintendent; Janine Cuaresma, Assistant Superintendent; Karyn Dexter, Wendy Frink, Elsa Gonzales, Kristen Condit, Terrell Martinez, Beth Coit, Rachele Tyler, Mark Condit, Nou Hendricks, SJCOE staff; Jeff Tilton; Keith Reid, The Record;

Janai Stanton, Recorder.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

President Sorgent called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Board member Gutierrez, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. COMMENTS: There were no comments from the audience.

III. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION:

1. Minutes: On a motion from Anthony Gutierrez, second by Janet Dyk, the Board approved the minutes from the April 16, 2014 meeting with the request to add the name of the student who was recognized for saving the life of an infant to the minutes.

AYES:

Sorgent, Fritchen, Gutierrez, Dyk

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

2. Local Control Accountability Plan Board Bylaw: On a motion from Janet Dyk, second by Anthony Gutierrez, the Board approved the new Board Bylaw pertinent to the Local Control Accountability Plan as presented.

AYES: Sorgent, Fritchen, Gutierrez, Dyk

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

3. Uniform Complaint Policy and Procedure Revisions: On a motion from Janet Dyk, second by Jill Fritchen, the Board approved policy revisions to the Uniform Complaint process and other related policies, administrative regulations, and exhibits as presented.

AYES: Sorgent, Fritchen, Gutierrez, Dyk

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

4. Notification of Charter School Closure: On a motion from Anthony Gutierrez, second by Jill Fritchen, the Board acknowledged notification of the closure of Excel Academy, effective June 30, 2014, and agreed to extend that notification to the California Department of Education as presented.

AYES: Sorgent, Fritchen, Gutierrez, Dyk

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

5. Special Meeting Date: On a motion from Janet Dyk, second by Jill Fritchen, the Board set a special meeting date of May 28, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. to accommodate an interdistrict transfer appeal.

AYES: Sorgent, Fritchen, Gutierrez, Dyk

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

 2014 - 2015 San Joaquin County Board of Education Meeting Calendar: On a motion from Jill Fritchen, second by Janet Dyk, the Board approved the proposed regular Board Meeting Calendar for the next school year with a start time of 5:30 p.m.

AYES: Fritchen, Dyk
NOES: Sorgent, Gutierrez

ABSTAIN: None

Due to the tie vote, the item will be rescheduled for the next regular Board meeting.

IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION:

7. 2014 - 2015 Budget Assumptions: Jim Thomas reported that the May Revise of the budget was released with minimal changes from the January budget proposal.

He indicated the revised COLA factor was 1.565 percent and that SJCOE would be in hold harmless status for the purpose of calculating the supplemental and concentration grants. Mr. Thomas said the one piece of good news is that the Governor is still proposing the elimination of cash deferrals and that school districts and county offices of education will get all the cash in the year for which it is intended. The bad news is that CalSTRS and CalPERS rates have to go up for both employers and employees in order for both systems to avoid running out of cash in 30 years. This, Mr. Thomas said, caught school districts and county offices of education off guard and has a huge financial impact at the bargaining table because a good piece of the revenue increases going to school districts due to LCFF will have to be used to pay those higher rates.

Karyn Dexter presented the budget assumptions for the 2014 - 2015 school year. She described the process that begins in January each year and the information that goes to program administrators so that budget projections are submitted by March 31. Ms. Dexter said that the business services staff is working hard to pull the budget together for delivery as near to June 18 as possible in preparation for the public hearing on June 23. Board member Dyk noted her appreciation for this information and asked how new positions are added to the mix. Ms. Dexter indicated that there is an approval process that allows individual department leaders to submit requests to Cabinet, where it is reviewed, discussed, and considered for approval.

8. Local Control and Accountability Plan Update: Jane Steinkamp provided an update regarding the implementation of California's Local Control and Accountability Plan. Board member Fritchen asked where the budget is kept for the public to view, how that information is advertised to the public, and how notification is made to the families of English Language Learners. Ms. Dexter let her know that the budget is available in the Business Office and notification is advertised in The Record. Ms. Steinkamp explained the notification requirements if 15 percent of the stakeholders speak a language other than English. She noted that letters were translated to Spanish and Connect Ed messages to parents were sent in Spanish.

President Sorgent asked why IB programs were not included as reportable information, although AP classes were reportable. Ms. Steinkamp answered that IB is not defined in Education Code but that does not mean it cannot be included. Dr. Founts added that there are currently dual enrollment classes for students who wish to receive both high school and college credits but there are no IB programs right now.

Board member Gutierrez asked how the public review and input sessions are shared in writing with the public. Ms. Steinkamp indicated that notification should be provided using the most efficient method possible. It may include the mail, posting on the web site, or announcements to parents and staff through Connect Ed.

She explained that the information will also be shared at School Site Council meetings and the DELAC group. For the most part, Ms. Steinkamp shared, the information is sent in printed notices.

Board member Gutierrez asked if the goals would be laid out numerically because he felt this might help the Board make decisions regarding the budget. Ms. Steinkamp said that the plan has to describe how to apply measurement to the goals. She indicated there is frustration right now because there are many plans; the LEA plan, the Single School Plan, the LCAP, the Title 1 and Title 3 plans. She said that eventually there should be a template that fuses all those plans together in order to provide clear and appropriate goals.

Ms. Steinkamp distributed an updated timeline that included the public hearing date of June 23, 2014.

9. Education Code Clarification: Dr. Founts provided information regarding Education Code clarification as requested by Board member Fritchen. He distributed a document prepared by California County Superintendents Educational Services Association that describes the statutory functions of the county superintendent and county board of education.

In terms of Board member Fritchen's question about Education Code § 1094 regarding audit of printing expenses. Dr. Founts indicated this is part of the existing audit process.

Education Code § 1014 regarding the reporting of teaching credentials that are issued at SJCOE, Dr. Founts shared that this is done in the form of an annual report to the County Board. He added that the California Commission on Teacher Credentials is now the agency that issues credentials and even renewals are provided online.

Education Code § 1302 regarding promotions that result in a salary increase of \$10,000, Ms. Dexter explained that there is a written portion in each budget narrative that reports compensation at this level and that it is also in the First Interim Report, the Second Interim Report, and the Unaudited Actuals. Dr. Founts indicated that this could be highlighted in a different way if that would be easier to find. Board member Fritchen asked if it was appropriate to report in this format. The answer was yes. Board member Gutierrez added that the contracts of more than \$25,000 were reported in the same fashion.

Education Code § 1294 and 1295 regarding the granting of leaves for employees requiring County Board of Education approval. Dr. Founts noted that he is not familiar with these codes and he would have to get a legal interpretation of those code sections.

Board member Fritchen said she wants a list of the total salary for upper management by individual, including the budget code from which the salary

comes, as well as a list of the number of people included when a big number is given for a specific position. As an example, if there is \$1 million spent on program managers, she would like to know how many managers are included in that total.

V. CLOSING COMMENTS FOR BOARD MEMBERS:

- Board member Dyk stated that she still has not received anything from the AgFest organizers that tells her the event is sanctioned by the state. She said she is not in favor of this event and that it has been six weeks since she requested that information. Dr. Founts said that this is not a San Joaquin County Office of Education (SJCOE) event and that the donations from San Joaquin County constituents, registrations for the student projects, and additional funds for students are being placed in the SJCOE Education Foundation but that is the extent of support received from SJCOE.
- Board member Gutierrez asked if a letter from the Academy of Arts and Sciences World Language Academy had been received to let the County Board know officially that the petition had been withdrawn. Dr. Founts said there would not be a letter and that he had talked to the petitioners who believed that their statement regarding the withdrawal of the petition at the end of the public hearing would serve as evidence of the withdrawal. Mr. Gutierrez asked if the petition would return to the County Board if it was denied by the Governing Board of Stockton Unified School District. Dr. Founts said it would but if it is denied by Stockton Unified the process would be that it comes to the County Board and if denied, to the State Board. President Sorgent said that he thought if the County Board denied the waiver the process would end. Dr. Founts reminded him that is the case if the petition is a county-wide petition rather than a school district petition. Mr. Gutierrez asked if Dr. Founts would use the outside reviewer again if the petition came to the County Board and his answer was yes.
- A special meeting of the San Joaquin County Board of Education, will be held May 28, 2014, 4:00 p.m., at 2901 Arch Airport Road, Stockton, CA.
- The next San Joaquin County Board of Education meeting will be held June 23, 2014, 6:30 p.m., at 2901 Arch-Airport Road, Stockton, CA.
- The next regular San Joaquin County Board of Education meeting will be held June 25, 2014, 12:00 p.m., at 2901 Arch-Airport Road, Stockton, CA.
- Special Education Program Graduation will be held May 28, 2014, 7:00 p.m.,
 Wentworth Education Center, located at 2707 Transworld Drive, Stockton, CA.
- YouthBuild and San Joaquin Building Futures Academy graduations will be held May 29, 2014, 10:00 a.m., at the Scottish Rite Temple, 33 W. Alpine Avenue, Stockton, CA.
- one. Program Graduation will be held May 31, 2014, 10:00 a.m., at the Scottish Rite Temple, 33 W. Alpine Avenue, Stockton, CA.
- Teacher's College of San Joaquin Graduation will be held June 1, 2014, 1:30 p.m., at Bob Hope Theater, 242 E. Main Street, Stockton, CA.
- Venture Academy Graduation will be held June 9, 2014, 7:00 p.m., at San Joaquin Delta Community College, Atherton Auditorium, 5151 Pacific Avenue, Stockton, CA.

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully/submitted,

Mick Founts, Ed.D.

Secretary to the Board / Superintendent of Schools