

**SANTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

May 19, 2020
MINUTES

Via Video Conferencing

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. Call to Order and Welcome

President Burns called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Members present:

Dustin Burns, President
Barbara Ryan, Vice President
Elana Levens-Craig, Clerk
Dianne El-Hajj, Member
Ken Fox, Member

Administration present:

Dr. Kristin Baranski, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board
Karl Christensen, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Tim Larson, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources/Pupil Services
Dr. Stephanie Pierce, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Lisa Arreola, Executive Assistant and Recording Secretary

2. District Mission

President Burns recited the District Mission.

3. Approval of Agenda

President Burns presented the agenda for approval. He shared there was an error on Consent Item 4.4 Approval of Short-Term Services Agreement and noted the dates of service should read July 1, 2020 – February 28, 2021. Member Fox moved approval with noted correction.

<i>Motion:</i>	<u>Fox</u>	<i>Burns</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>El-Hajj</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Second:</i>	<u>Levens-Craig</u>	<i>Ryan</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Fox</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>5-0</u>	<i>Levens-Craig</i>	<u>Aye</u>		

B. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Superintendent Baranski noted there were no reports and/or presentations.

1. Superintendent's Report

- 1.1. Developer Fees and Collection Report
- 1.2. Enrollment Report

C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

President Burns invited members of the audience to address the Board about any item not on the agenda. He explained that given the current circumstances with COVID-19, the public was given the opportunity so submit comments online or by phone prior to the meeting. There were no public comments.

D. CONSENT ITEMS

President Burns invited comments from the public on any item listed under Consent. There were no public comments.

Superintendent

1.1. Approval of Minutes

2.1. Approval/Ratification of Expenditure Warrants

- 2.2. **Approval/Ratification of Purchase Orders**
- 2.3. **Approval/Ratification of Revolving Cash Report**
- 2.4. **Acceptance of Donations, Grants, and Bequests** – *pulled for separate consideration*
- 3.1. **Approval of Services Agreement with San Joaquin County Office of Education to Provide Claims Administration Services for the Medi-Cal Billing Option Program**
- 4.1. **Personnel, Regular**
- 4.2. **Approval of Agreement with Kontraband Interdiction and Detection Services, Inc. (K.I.D.S.) for the 2020-2021 School Year**
- 4.3. **Adoption of Resolution No. 1920-35 to Reduce and/or Eliminate Classified Non-Management Positions**
- 4.4. **Approval of Short-Term Services Agreement**
- 4.5. **Approval to Renew Services with PowerSchool (TalentEd) Records, Perform and Sync for the 2020-2021 School Year**
- 4.6. **Approval of Short Term Positions**

Member El-Hajj moved approval of consent items.

<i>Motion:</i>	<u>El-Hajj</u>	<i>Burns</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>El-Hajj</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Second:</i>	<u>Ryan</u>	<i>Ryan</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Fox</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>5-0</u>	<i>Levens-Craig</i>	<u>Aye</u>		

- 2.4. **Acceptance of Donations, Grants, and Bequests** – *pulled for separate consideration*
 Member Levens-Craig acknowledged, and expressed her appreciation, of the \$2,000 and \$7,500 donations towards the Child Nutrition Department to help children with food insecurities or hunger. The Board asked that a letter be sent on their behalf expressing their appreciation for their donations.

<i>Motion:</i>	<u>Levens-Craig</u>	<i>Burns</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>El-Hajj</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Second:</i>	<u>El-Hajj</u>	<i>Ryan</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Fox</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>5-0</u>	<i>Levens-Craig</i>	<u>Aye</u>		

E. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

Superintendent

- 1.1. **Appointment of Director, Out-of-School Time Programs**
 Superintendent Baranski acknowledged, and expressed her well wishes, to the current director, Pam Brasher on her upcoming retirement. Superintendent Baranski explained that due to Ms. Brasher's retirement, Administration recommended the appointment of Jessica Ochoa, effective June 1. She shared Ms. Ochoa is currently an Extended Learning Field Supervisor for the Santa Ana Unified School District, and holds a Master of Arts degree with an emphasis in Early Childhood Education, a Child Development Director permit, and various other childcare training certifications. Member Ryan moved approval.

Ms. Ochoa expressed her appreciation to the Board and Executive Council for the opportunity; and to her family and friends for their support. The Board welcomed Ms. Ochoa to the District. Ms. Ochoa's brother, expressed his gratitude towards the Board for allowing Ms. Ochoa the opportunity to serve the Santee community.

<i>Motion:</i>	<u>Ryan</u>	<i>Burns</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>El-Hajj</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Second:</i>	<u>Fox</u>	<i>Ryan</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Fox</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>5-0</u>	<i>Levens-Craig</i>	<u>Aye</u>		

Business Services

2.1. May Revise and State Budget Update

Karl Christensen, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, provided a summary of the May Revise and how it differed from the Governor’s January Budget proposal. He provided an overview of the Economy, State Revenues, Proposition 98, and other provisions, due to COVID-19 as follows.

• **The Economy**

Measure	Level	2018	2019	2020	2021
Real GDP Growth	National	2.90%	2.30%	-5.40%	6.30%
Unemployment Rate	National	3.90%	3.70%	8.00%	7.90%
	State	4.30%	4.10%	18.00%	17.60%
Personal Income Growth	National	5.57%	4.39%	1.67%	3.08%
	State	6.08%	4.77%	-8.88%	0.08%
Inflation (CPI)	National	2.40%	1.80%	0.70%	2.30%
	State	3.70%	3.00%	1.00%	2.90%

• **State Revenues**

Item	Source	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
State General Fund Revenue	January Proposal	\$139.4	\$146.5	\$151.6
	May Revise	\$140.0	\$136.8	\$119.4
	Difference	\$0.6	(\$9.7)	(\$32.2)
	% Difference	0.46%	-6.60%	-21.22%
	% Yr Over Yr Change	N/A	-2.29%	-12.72%
Proposition 98 Calculation	January Proposal	\$78.4	\$81.6	\$84.0
	May Revise	\$78.7	\$77.4	\$70.5
	Difference	\$0.30	(\$4.20)	(\$13.50)
	% Difference	0.38%	-5.15%	-16.07%
	% Yr Over Yr Change		-1.65%	-8.91%

<-----(*In Billions*) ---->

• **Proposition 98**

- Guarantee Calculations: See table above
- Distribution to K-12:
 - LCFF
 - \$6.5 billion reduction to LCFF; 2.31% statutory COLA added then 10% reduction applied = 7.92% effective reduction (actual reduction will vary by district – some higher, some lower)
 - Triggered off if sufficient funding received from the Federal Government to backfill
 - Deferral of \$1.9 billion of 2019-20 LCFF payments to 2020-21 (June to July) and \$5.3 billion from 2020-21 to 2021-22 (April, May, and June to July)
 - Special Education
 - Maintains January Proposal for new Special Education formula to replace AB602 with SELPA equalization but no COLA = Increases per ADA target rate from \$557 to \$645
 - \$15 million in federal IDEA funds for Golden State Teacher Scholarship Program to increase Special Education teacher pipeline
 - \$7 million federal IDEA funds to assist LEAs with developing regional

alternative dispute resolution services and statewide mediation services for cases arising from the COVID-19 pandemic special education distance learning service models

- \$1.7 million in federal IDEA funds for study of current special education governance and accountability structure and two workgroups to study improved accountability for special education service delivery and student outcomes
- Suspends application of 2.31% statutory COLA to all other eligible programs
- \$352.9 million in cuts to 11 K-12 Category Grants including ASES, CTE Incentive Grant, Adult Ed Block Grant, and Clean Technology Partnership
- \$4.4 billion one-time funds from federal Coronavirus Relief Fund and Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund to address learning loss related to COVID-19 school closures, especially for students most heavily impacted by those closures. Funds will be allocated to local educational agencies offering classroom-based instruction based on a formula that takes into account the share of students most heavily impacted by school closures, including students with disabilities, low-income students, English learners, youth in foster care, and homeless youth. Funds may be used for:
 - Learning supports that begin prior to the start of the school year, and the continuing intensive instruction and supports into the school year.
 - Extending the instructional school year, including an earlier start date, by increasing the number of instructional minutes or days.
 - Providing additional academic services for pupils, including diagnostic assessments of student learning needs, intensive instruction for addressing gaps in core academic skills, additional instructional materials or supports, or devices and connectivity for the provision of in-classroom and distance learning.
 - Providing integrated student supports to address other barriers to learning, such as the provision of health, counseling or mental health services; professional development opportunities to help teachers and parents support pupils in distance-learning contexts; access to school breakfast and lunch programs; or programs to address student trauma and social-emotional learning.
- \$1.6 billion in federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief funds
 - 90% (\$1.5 billion) allocated to LEAs for COVID-19 related costs in proportion to the Title 1-A funding they receive
 - 10% for state level activities:
 - \$100 million for grants to county offices of education for the purpose of developing networks of community schools and coordinating health, mental health, and social service supports for high-needs students.
 - \$63.2 million for training and professional development for teachers, administrators, and other school personnel, focused on mitigating opportunity gaps and providing enhanced equity in learning opportunities, addressing trauma-related health and mental health barriers to learning, and developing strategies to support necessary changes in the educational program, such as implementing distance learning and social distancing.
 - \$1.5 million for the Department of Education for state operations costs associated with COVID-19 pandemic.
- Withdraws January proposals for various new programs and augmentations including Special Education Preschool Grant, augmentation to Child Nutrition Program, Classified Teacher Credential Program, Community Schools Grant, and 11 others
- **Other Provisions:**
 - Withdraw balance of Public School System Stabilization Account to partially mitigate decline in Prop 98 = \$524.2 million

- Drawdown \$16 billion Rainy Day Fund over 3 year period with \$7.8 billion used in 2020-21 – used to mitigate impacts to non-Prop 98 programs
- Redirect \$2.3 billion of non-Prop 98 funds originally allocated to pay down long-term unfunded liability for STRS and PERS to further reduce 2020-21 and 2021-22 contribution rates:
 - 2020-21
 - STRS from 18.41% to 16.15%
 - PERS from 22.67% to 20.7%
 - 2021-22
 - STRS from 18.2% to 16.02%
 - PERS from 25.0% to 22.84%
- Supplemental appropriations for Prop 98 above minimum for 3 years equal to 1.5% of General Fund revenues starting in 2021-22 and going through 2023-24
- A few flexibility provisions to mitigate the impact of cuts including ability to use land sale proceeds for one- time General Fund purposes and ability to exclude State's payments made on behalf of LEAs from General Fund Total Outgo for calculation of 3% required RRMA

Mr. Christensen explained this is most likely not the last we hear of the 2020-2021 budget as the State is awaiting for the impact of COVID-19 on personal income tax receipts in July. He shared another update is expected in August.

Human Resources/Pupil Services

3.1. Approval of Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators

Tim Larson, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources/Pupil Services, explained the Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators was submitted annually in anticipation for the number of teachers requiring an emergency credential. Member Ryan moved approval.

<i>Motion:</i>	<u>Ryan</u>	<i>Burns</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>El-Hajj</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Second:</i>	<u>Fox</u>	<i>Ryan</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Fox</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>5-0</u>	<i>Levens-Craig</i>	<u>Aye</u>		

F. BOARD POLICIES AND BYLAWS

President Burns noted items F.1.1, and F.1.2., were second readings; and shared items F.1.3. and F.1.4., were first readings and asked Board members to contact Administration if there were any questions and/or concerns.

- 1.1. Second Reading: New Board Policy 3515.4, Recovery for Property Loss or Damage
- 1.2. Second Reading: Revised Board Policy 3514.1, Hazardous Substances
- 1.3. First Reading: New Board Policy 3515.2, Disruptions
- 1.4. First Reading: New Board Policy 3515.21, Unmanned Aircraft Systems (Drones)

Member El-Hajj moved approval of items F.1.1. and F.1.2.

<i>Motion:</i>	<u>Ryan</u>	<i>Burns</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>El-Hajj</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Second:</i>	<u>Fox</u>	<i>Ryan</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Fox</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>5-0</u>	<i>Levens-Craig</i>	<u>Aye</u>		

G. EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION COMMUNICATION

Melanie Hirahara, STA President, read the following:

"After the recent Governor's budget revisions and the district budget cuts made at the last board meeting, STA decided to settle the 2019-2020 negotiations with no change. We made this decision because we feel it's important to adjust to the changing economic situation we're dealing with and do our part to make sure the District stays financially solvent. On another note, we see ourselves as an integral

part of the Santee community. We know that we will have changes to the way school looks in the fall and we want to ensure that we make these adjustments to the education of our students as smooth as possible. With that in mind, we hope that we will be included when decisions are made in regards to the reopening of schools in the fall. We know that changes will have to take place that will affect our working conditions. So, we hope that we can work together as a team when those changes have to be made. Working together will hopefully make this difficult transition a bit more manageable. As you know, together we are stronger and together is how we will get through these trying times."

President Burns expressed his appreciation to Mrs. Hirahara and shared working with staff and the community will be essential in planning for our return next school year.

H. BOARD COMMUNICATION AND ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

Superintendent Baranski shared information on awards and celebrations for Salute to Excellence.

Member Levens-Craig expressed her appreciation to teachers and District office staff for their work and adjustments during current times and shared hearing great things from the community and teachers. Member Levens-Craig mentioned attending webinars to keep abreast of the current situation.

Member El-Hajj shared Member Levens-Craig sentiments about staff working hard during these frustrating times. She mentioned, her and Member Fox, met with the promotion committee and shared they are working on something that will be memorable for all students.

Member Fox shared Member Levens-Craig sentiments. He added that the school "celebrations" will be the alike throughout the District; except for some personalized nuances at each site.

Member Ryan expressed her gratitude to all staff.

President Burns shared an update recently went out to the school community with plans for the end of the school year. He shared speaking to City official to provide updates on the school year, timelines, etc., and asked that we share promotion plans with them. President Burns shared his personal experience homeschooling his son, and mentioned it made him appreciate educators and the special role they play in the students' lives. President Burns welcomed Jessica Ochoa again to the District.

I. CLOSED SESSION

President Burns announced that the Board would meet in closed session for:

1. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation** (Gov't. Code § 54956.9)
- OAH Case No. 2020040867
2. **California State of Emergency and Impact of COVID-19 Virus** (Gov't. Code § 54957)
3. **Conference with Labor Negotiator** (Gov't. Code § 54956.8)
Purpose: Negotiations
Agency Negotiators: Tim Larson, Assistant Superintendent
Employee Organizations: Santee Teachers Association (STA); and
Classified School Employees Association (CSEA)
4. **Public Employee Performance Evaluation** (Gov't. Code § 54957)
Superintendent

The Board entered closed session at 8:03 p.m.

J. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened to public session at 9:45 p.m., and reported no action was taken.

The Board reconvened to public session at 8:55 p.m. and reported a dispute arose regarding a student's special education program. It was moved by Member Levens-Craig, seconded by Member Ryan, to reach a settlement in special education dispute, OAH #: 20200040867, regarding a student's special education program. The agreement involved a release of potential District liability.

Motion:	<u>Levens-Craig</u>	Burns	<u>Aye</u>	El-Hajj	<u>Aye</u>
Second:	<u>Ryan</u>	Ryan	<u>Aye</u>	Fox	<u>Aye</u>
Vote:	<u>5-0</u>	Levens-Craig	<u>Aye</u>		

K. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the regular meeting of May 19, 2020 was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.



Elana Levens-Craig, Clerk



Dr. Kristin Baranski, Secretary