

**SANTA CRUZ VALLEY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #840
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES – October 14, 2021**

REGULAR MEETING

DATE/TIME/PLACE

The Santa Cruz Valley Union High School District Governing Board of Education held a Regular Board Meeting at 6:00 PM on Thursday, October 8, 2020 in the Santa Cruz Library, Community Room which is located at 1000 N. Main Street in Eloy, Arizona.

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. Flores called the regular meeting to order at 6:03 pm

THOSE PRESENT

Elizabeth Flores, President, Anna Bell Saucedo, Vice President, Thomas Gil, Member, Richard Reyes, Member, Emilo Ysaguirre, Member, Orlenda Roberts, Superintendent, Debi Tabeling, Business Manager, Dr. Oranté Jenkins, Principal and Sherry Eisler, Administrative Assistant.

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		# 2218	\$ 80,933.91
Total Payroll:	\$ 427,380.01	Total Expense	\$ 207,580.30
Grand Total: \$ 634,960.31			

6. Approval of policy GCCA – Professional/Support Staff Sick Leave.
7. Approval of the Regular Governing Board Meeting Minutes from August 13th and September 14, 2021 board meeting minutes.
8. Approval of the Agreement between The Stepping Stone Group and SCVUHS District #840 for the contract of a Social Worker during the 2021-2022 school year.
9. Approval of the Site Agreement between Jobs for Arizona’s Graduates, Inc. and Santa Cruz Valley Union Highs School District for the Operation of JAG’s Career and College Success System Program Applications during the 2021-2022 school year.

Mrs. Saucedo MOVED to approve Consent items H-1 thru H-9, with a SECOND by Mrs. Ogle.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Reyes stated he had signs for the override if anyone wanted one. Mr. Ysaguirre requested a sign.

BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

There were no board member items.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Saucedo MOVED to approve to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm; with Mrs. Ogle SECONDING the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: Ms. Flores – yea; Mrs. Saucedo – yea; Mrs. Ogle – yea; Mr. Reyes – yea; Mr. Ysaguirre - yea

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# 7	\$ 7,747.35	# 2213	\$ 118.24
# 8	\$ 861.20	# 2214	\$ 52,414.65
# 9	\$ 115,433.07	# 2215	\$ 16,535.54
# 10	\$ 80,527.73	# 2216	\$ 108.00
		# 2217	\$ 5,035.10
		# 2218	\$ 80,933.91
Total Payroll:	\$ 427,380.01	Total Expense	\$ 207,580.30
Grand Total: \$ 634,960.31			

- 15. Approval of policy GCCA – Professional/Support Staff Sick Leave.
- 16. Approval of the Regular Governing Board Meeting Minutes from August 13th and September 14, 2021 board meeting minutes.
- 17. Approval of the Agreement between The Stepping Stone Group and SCVUHS District #840 for the contract of a Social Worker during the 2021-2022 school year.
- 18. Approval of the Site Agreement between Jobs for Arizona’s Graduates, Inc. and Santa Cruz Valley Union Highs School District for the Operation of JAG’s Career and College Success System Program Applications during the 2021-2022 school year.

Mrs. Saucedo MOVED to approve Consent items H-1 thru H-9, with a SECOND by Mrs. Ogle.

MOTION CARRIED: Ms. Flores – aye; Mrs. Saucedo – aye; Mrs. Ogle – aye; Mr. Reyes – aye; Mr. Ysaguirre – aye

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Reyes stated he had signs for the override if anyone wanted one. Mr. Ysaguirre requested a sign.

BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

There were no board member items.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Saucedo MOVED to approve to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 pm; with Mrs. Ogle SECONDING the motion.

MOTION CARRIED: Ms. Flores – yea; Mrs. Saucedo – yea; Mrs. Ogle – yea; Mr. Reyes – yea; Mr. Ysaguirre - yea

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS:

Elizabeth Flores, President

Anna Bell Saucedo, Vice President

Brandi Ogle, Member

Richard Reyes, Member

Emilio Ysaguirre, Member

Date Approved: _____