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MINUTES OF THE SAN MATEO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting Date: March 3, 2021
Meeting Location: Held Remotely
Board Members Present: Susan Alvaro, Chelsea Bonini, Hector Camacho, Jr., Jim Cannon, Beverly Gerard, Ted Lempert, Joe Ross
Staff Officials Present: Nancy Magee, Secretary
Jennifer Perna, Executive Assistant
Other Staff Present: Niambi Clay, Claire Cunningham, Jennifer Frentress, Jeneé Littrell, Patricia Love, Lori Musso, Denise Porterfield

1. OPENING ITEMS

A. Call to Order

Board President Hector Camacho, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. He announced the County Board was conducting the meeting as a webinar in light of the current health emergency and the Governor's March 17, 2020, Executive Order N-29-20 suspending certain provisions of the Brown Act to allow governing boards to conduct meetings through remote access. Board President Camacho also noted in the effort to increase accessibility and opportunity for community engagement, simultaneous interpretation of the meeting was being provided in Spanish using Zoom technology through the end of Public Comment, and would continue further into the meeting if people were utilizing the channel.

B. Approval of Agenda

After a motion by Ms. Gerard and a second by Mr. Lempert, the Board unanimously (Alvaro, Bonini, Camacho, Cannon, Gerard, Lempert, and Ross), by roll call vote, approved the March 3, 2021, agenda as presented.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Superintendent Magee noted a public comment was received by email from Elizabeth Peters, requesting that physical distancing requirement for COVID-19 safety be changed from 6 feet to 4 feet.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

   **A. February 17, 2021, Regular Board Meeting**

   After a motion by Mr. Cannon and a second by Ms. Alvaro, the Board unanimously (Alvaro, Bonini, Camacho, Cannon, Gerard, Lempert, and Ross), by roll call vote, approved the Minutes of the February 17, 2021, Regular Board Meeting as presented.

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

   **B. Adopt Joint Resolution No. 21-11 Recognizing March 31, 2021, as César Chávez Day of Service and Learning**

   After a motion by Ms. Gerard and a second by Mr. Lempert, the Board unanimously (Alvaro, Bonini, Camacho, Cannon, Gerard, Lempert, and Ross), by roll call vote, approved the Consent Agenda.

5. **RECEIVE TIMELINE ON SMCOE’S 2021-2022 LOCAL CONTROL ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN (LCAP) FOR COURT AND COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

   **A. Receive Timeline on SMCOE’s 2021-2022 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) for Court and Community Schools**

   Jeneé Littrell, Deputy Superintendent, Educational Services Division, and Karen Gnusti, Executive Director, College, Career, and Secondary Education, presented the development timeline for SMCOE’s 2021-2022 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) for Court and Community Schools. Executive Director Gnusti highlighted dates of upcoming meetings of the School Site Council and Court and Community staff, stakeholder engagement events, and Board presentations. Deputy Superintendent Littrell invited Ms. Gerard, as the Board’s LCAP representative, to join the stakeholder engagement meetings.

   Ms. Bonini asked if LCAP outreach includes community partners, service providers working with specific students, other governmental agencies, or commissions. Executive Director Gnusti responded that staff works with many providers and strives to include as many stakeholders as possible. Ms. Bonini shared that when she participated as a parent member in her district LCAP meetings, it was difficult to get people to attend. Ms. Bonini wondered if perhaps Zoom makes this a bit easier, and said she hopes the team is successful with its goals to involve more stakeholders.

   Mr. Cannon shared he appreciates Executive Director Gnusti’s preparation, organization, and quality reports. He acknowledged her efforts and expressed his gratitude.
6. **EDUCATIONAL SERVICES DIVISION**

   A. **Discuss/Act on the 2020-2021 School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for Court and Community Schools**

Deputy Superintendent Littrell informed Ms. Gerard she would be provided with dates, times, and Zoom links for the stakeholder engagement meetings discussed in the previous agenda item, in hopes that Ms. Gerard can attend the activities.

Executive Director Gnusti then presented the 2020-2021 School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for Court and Community Schools. She reviewed Goals #1-4 outlined in the 2019-2020 SPSA and highlighted new Goals #5-6 from the 2020-2021 SPSA:

- **Goal #5**
  Research-based social emotional strategies will create positive outcomes for every student who transitions out of the Court and Community Schools. As teachers and staff are further trained to utilize mental health tools for engagement, de-escalation, and regulation, students will show more resilience in regulating and re-integrating (when needed) into classwork more effectively. As students learn and gain skills in self-regulating techniques as well as supports to manage anxiety, depression, hopelessness, and low-confidence, students will continue to make strides both academically and personally. Outcomes will be shown as students positively transition to their home-district-of-residence or graduate. In both situations, student plans and actions for each will dictate success rates.

- **Goal #6**
  Through Career Technical Education programming and our partnership with the local community colleges through Project Change, life-skills, soft skills, career awareness, and technical skills will be built into the Court and Community programming for each student thus leading to higher rates of student “preparedness” on the Court and Community dashboard. By being more “prepared,” students will be ready for independence with knowledge of life-skills, resources, employability, and responsibility. Also, “prepared” status will mean that all students have achieved the common core requirements and all students will create a plan for achievement into a career.

Executive Director Gnusti next shared data from the Court and Community Student Survey administered to 27 students on February 22, 2021.

After a motion by Ms. Gerard and a second by Ms. Bonini, the Board unanimously (Alvaro, Bonini, Camacho, Cannon, Gerard, Lempert, and Ross), by roll call vote, approved the 2020-2021 School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for Court and Community Schools.

B. **Receive 2020-2021 Court and Community Schools Outlook**

Deputy Superintendent Littrell explained the Court and Community team had submitted a grant proposal to the California Department of Education (CDE) requesting $1,000,000 to revamp the Gateway program into a therapeutic and restorative community school model. They had expected to know about the award decision by today, but the decision is delayed.
Deputy Superintendent Littrell then described how the landscape for Gateway had been impacted by many variables, including:

- Pandemic
- Social Justice Reforms
- Juvenile Incarceration Decline
- Restorative Practices in Schools
- Early Intervention for Reading and Math
- Disproportionality Rates and Special Education Awareness
- Interrupting School to Prison Pipeline Trainings for Educators

Deputy Superintendent Littrell discussed the declining enrollment in the Court and Community Schools, as well as the obligations and costs for these programs with the conclusion that Gateway is no longer a feasible model. She described how, if received, the grant will allow Gateway to be reshaped into a sustainable model while also focusing on district requests for the following services for students:

- Mental Health
- Wrap-Around Services
- Career Education
- Individualized Education
- 7th through 12th Grades

Deputy Superintendent Littrell emphasized that due to lowered enrollment and layoff timelines, and no current confirmation of funding, SMCOE will have to provide layoff notices to staff by March 15. However, she is hopeful that the grant will be received and some of the layoff notices can be rescinded.

Ms. Alvaro asked if Canyon Oaks students are considered Court students or Community students. Deputy Superintendent Littrell replied the program is connected to Court and Community programs because the students’ academics are more in line with the traditional curriculum offered by these programs. And yet, Canyon Oaks is not a true Community program either because all students are on Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) and have to go through the interdisciplinary team process to determine accurate placement.

Ms. Alvaro recalled that in the past, SMCOE received supplemental funding from the State for students who are wards of the court. So, at the time, Hillcrest, Camp Glenwood, and Camp Kemp students were court students and a small amount of supplemental funding was received. Ms. Alvaro commented this funding is not received for Gateway students because they are not adjudicated or court-mandated to be in the program. She asked whether any supplemental funds are received for Canyon Oaks students similar to court-mandated students or whether they fall in some other category. Deputy Superintendent Littrell responded that SMCOE bills back districts for all educational services for Canyon Oaks students. She remarked that Canyon Oaks is a cost-neutral program for SMCOE. Ms. Alvaro summarized it is up to the districts to pay for students in the
Canyon Oaks program, as opposed to Hillcrest students, for whom SMCOE pays for costs while they are in the program.

Ms. Bonini asked if the Canyon Oaks students all have IEPs. Deputy Superintendent Littrell confirmed Canyon Oaks is a Level 14 mental health facility where students must meet licensing requirement criteria independent of their educational needs.

Ms. Bonini shared she hopes the community schools grant will be awarded because it sounds amazing. Ms. Bonini related she is familiar with the person-centered nature of a wrap-around model. She asked if the services may be accessible by districts beyond what can be provided by programs such as Edgewood. Deputy Superintendent Littrell responded that these funds will allow SMCOE to restructure the model, but will also offset the costs for districts. She explained that ultimately, SMCOE wants to help districts implement a more therapeutic approach to supporting families. Deputy Superintendent Littrell said the team will first build a solid Gateway program but the ultimate goal is to provide a continuum of services for our districts in order to better serve student and family needs. Ms. Bonini commented that this sounds great and expressed hopes that the grant is received.

Board President Camacho thanked and expressed appreciation to Deputy Superintendent Littrell and Executive Director Gnusti for the program updates, commenting that student programs are front and center priorities for the Board.

7. OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

A. Superintendent’s Comments

Superintendent Magee began by updating the Board on vaccination efforts, sharing that the team is making incredible progress. She shared feeling proud of the team and joked that the vaccination process has “injected” a lot of optimism and hope into the body of the education community. Superintendent Magee added that all staff working in person in SMCOE student programs have had an opportunity to receive a vaccination.

Superintendent Magee updated that next week, Kaiser would be providing educator vaccination events and SMCOE also received 500 single-use codes from the Governor’s Office to distribute to educators on the priority list. She estimated that by the end of the weekend, 6,000 of the 10,000 education workers in the county will have been given the opportunity to receive a vaccination, all in less than two weeks’ time. Superintendent Magee expressed gratitude to the team, led by Executive Director Love, and including Superintendent’s Office staff members Ms. Williams and Ms. Perna, who have all been amazing in providing support.

Superintendent Magee also discussed vaccinations in the childcare community, which are happening with great success, in collaboration with First 5 San Mateo and the Child Care Coordinating Council of San Mateo County (4Cs). She shared that SMCOE’s Early Learning staff,
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including Alyson Suzuki, Executive Director, Early Learning Support Services, and Sarah Kinahan, Coordinator, Child Care Partnership Council, have been directly contacting childcare providers to connect workers to vaccinations. Through this individual outreach, they assembled a list of approximately 1,200 early learning educators onto a priority list to receive vaccinations. Superintendent Magee emphasized that SMCOE’s Early Learning team has a strong role in operationalizing the vaccination process for the early learning community.

Superintendent Magee next addressed the Geo Lead work, under the auspices of the California County Superintendents Educational Services Association (CCSESA) umbrella. She described that in this project, SMCOE is paired with other regional county offices. The SMCOE Geo Lead group has been working on a project focused on serving students who are experiencing homelessness, including children who are aged 0-5 years. Superintendent Magee explained that the group prepared a report on their efforts which WestEd produced into a white paper, to be publicly released soon. She said she would be sure it is shared with the Board when it becomes available. Additionally, SMCOE was notified that we received expanded funding to support the work described in the white paper. Superintendent Magee thanked Associate Superintendent Jennifer Frentress, and Executive Director Mary McGrath for leading these efforts and collaborating with our many partners.

Superintendent Magee said she continues to be heartened by improving COVID-19 numbers in San Mateo County, and she anticipates that we may move into the orange tier the following week. She added that although the county continues to improve, county health leaders continue to urge caution moving forward and national leaders are advocating that now is not the time to let down our guard.

Superintendent Magee emphasized that in the return to in-person learning, safeguards cannot be thrown out the door. It’s a natural tendency of people that once students return to school, they want to move to a full time schedule with full classrooms. Superintendent Magee added that as the new school year begins, surely some of the Four Pillars will be in place, particularly wearing masks, but it is difficult to predict how things will look.

Superintendent Magee reported that high schools have made the decision to return to California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) sports. She shared that part of the California Department of Public Health guidance is around limiting spectators at sporting events and high school districts are seeking more specific details around implementation. Superintendent Magee stated the team would continue working with public health partners to update and align various aspects of guidance as conditions change.

Lastly, Superintendent Magee wished upcoming happy birthdays to Anjanette Pelletier, Associate Superintendent, Special Education Local Plan Area (SELP A) and Board Member Bonini.

Board President Camacho asked for clarification on Superintendent Magee’s comments that all teachers who are working in person have been made eligible for the vaccine. Superintendent Magee confirmed that eligible teachers have all received multiple notifications to register for an appointment, but she could not guarantee that every single person followed up and actually made an appointment. She added that SMCOE is working closely with the superintendents to update their
lists and catch those who have yet to get their vaccinations. Board President Camacho thanked Superintendent Magee for the clarification and said he didn’t want anyone to think that SMCOE is getting everyone vaccinated, but rather SMCOE is facilitating the appointments.

Ms. Bonini thanked Superintendent Magee for the birthday wishes. She asked if Superintendent Magee was referring to the updated guidance framework when she discussed the sports cohorts. Superintendent Magee confirmed that the Pandemic Recovery Framework does not include the California Department of Public Health youth guidance for sports, which is separate, but SMCOE will work with public health partners to develop implementation guidance. Ms. Bonini shared she has heard a lot of comments around the single cohorting, which is part of one of the pillars, and how that is difficult to do with sports plus academics. At one point, students had to pick one or the other. Superintendent Magee explained that issue is related to the small cohorting guidance where it was required to limit activities on campus to prioritize academic support.

Ms. Bonini referred to Superintendent Magee’s updates in her county update earlier in the day and the statistics provided on how many schools are open. She hypothesized the data came from SMCOE, but also from the State’s database of maps indicating which schools are open and their corresponding plans. Ms. Bonini remarked she read that SMCOE and districts are facilitating the process of providing information to the state, and asked if that process is taking SMCOE a lot of time or if districts are doing that. Superintendent Magee responded that the state dashboard is a direct district responsibility, and SMCOE supports districts in reminding them to follow up and assisting their process. She confirmed that the data shared earlier in the day came directly from SMCOE.

8. **CLOSED SESSION:** Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Cal. Government Code §54956.9: One case

   A. **Name of Case:** Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Cal. Government Code §54956.9: One case

The Board convened to Closed Session at 7:08 p.m. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 8:11 p.m. Board President Camacho reported that the Board provided direction for staff and no action was taken. He thanked Chief Deputy County Counsel Cunningham for her assistance in the matter.

9. **BOARD MEMBERS**

   A. **Receive Update from YMCA Partnership Board Subcommittee**

Ms. Alvaro reported that the YMCA Partnership Board Subcommittee met with our YMCA partners on February 18. She prefaced her report by reminding that the Board appointed the subcommittee, comprised of Board President Camacho, Mr. Cannon, and herself, which is doing two different jobs. Ms. Alvaro explained that one job of the subcommittee is focused on the
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Mr. Cannon shared feeling fortunate to work with his colleagues on the Board and described how knowledgeable Ms. Alvaro is about construction and how Board President Camacho is vested in the project for both himself and his children. He recalled the years Mr. Hsiao spent ensuring this was the best site and how he had investigated the entire area for an alternative site. Mr. Cannon remarked that the YMCA partners are first-rate, good people, capable and patient, and in the process for the long haul. He expressed feeling good about the project and suggested we should move forward comfortably.

Board President Camacho expanded on the idea of feeling comfortable, discussing the site itself and the partnership with YMCA. He spoke of SMCOE’s organizational commitment to the Outdoor Education experience, as well as environmental sustainability and the potential Career Technical Education (CTE) pathways. Board President Camacho stated he needed to know the YMCA’s long term goal for the site and was happy to hear this is a cost neutral site which pays for itself and its maintenance, and is not a funding source for the YMCA. He needed that confirmation because he wants to stand by the agreement and partnership to bring outdoor experiences to children and families. As long as the YMCA continues to have that goal, he feels it is an excellent partnership.

Board President Camacho joked about being an 11-year old in the banana slug cabin with a detached bathroom and then a camp counselor as a 14-year old, and how it had built his courage that he feels even now when going upstairs to bed each night in the dark. It reminds him of having to walk to that detached bathroom. He expressed his excitement about the progress being made and thanked Ms. Alvaro for her leadership.

Mr. Ross thanked the subcommittee for their report and Ms. Alvaro for leading the work and for her incredible presentation. He commented that the presentation was easy to understand and it is a nice tribute and honor to Mr. Hsiao to continue what he started. Mr. Ross thanked Mr. Hsiao on the record for all he did and again thanked Ms. Alvaro for continuing those efforts. Mr. Ross emphasized that Outdoor Education creates lifelong memories, and he is excited for the program to resume when it can.

Board President Camacho thanked Ms. Alvaro for her leadership.

Ms. Gerard commented it was an encouraging report and thanked Ms. Alvaro.

B. Board Member Comments

Mr. Ross

Mr. Ross thanked everyone for their comments and participation, both in Open and Closed Sessions. He expressed appreciation for the presentations and thanked Superintendent Magee for her continued wartime superintendent service which has turned attention to the hopefully last sprint around vaccinations.

Mr. Ross shared that everyone is likely receiving comments directly or indirectly from constituents who want to see a return to normal, and he feels the work in the fall focused on the return to increased
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in-person learning will center around recovering from the lasting effects of the pandemic. He referred to these next steps as the post-pandemic reconstruction and said he expects to see focus on this at the California County Boards of Education (CCBE) Conference. Mr. Ross thanked Ms. Gerard for her help in organizing the conference and reminded his colleagues that he expects all Board members to submit presentation proposals.

Ms. Alvaro

Ms. Alvaro shared that she attended the Coastside Big Lift meeting on Tuesday, followed by the Coastside Education Committee. At these meetings, she was able to hear many reports, including one from Sean McPhetridge, Superintendent, Cabrillo Unified School District (CUSD), about their district plans. Ms. Alvaro said she passed along to Mr. McPhetridge, the high school principal, and the middle school principal, the concerns brought up by Board President Camacho at the last Board meeting regarding the fact that staff have not had any time off. People may have thoughts about remote teaching being easy, but in reality, it is difficult, and administrators are working incredibly hard and are exhausted. Ms. Alvaro shared that the CUSD administrators were grateful to hear the SMCOE Board had concerns and was thinking about them. She remarked how one of the administrator’s voice cracked when discussing the toll the pandemic has taken on him and shared he is grateful that others are thinking about them.

Ms. Alvaro spoke of Coastside Children’s Program’s gratitude that most of their childcare providers have either scheduled or received their vaccinations, in part due to the work being done by Executive Director Suzuki and her team. She passed along thanks from teachers in her community and informed that CUSD teachers were starting to get their appointments and are feeling better.

Ms. Alvaro reported at the high school, some of the teachers have begun to reopen clubs for students to attend in responsible, socially distanced ways. This allows students to have not just sports, strength training, and conditioning, but also clubs such as Yearbook Club and the Broadcasting Club. She informed that the Broadcasting teacher and students will broadcast sporting events so families unable to see their children participate, as well as the community, can watch via Zoom or another platform. Ms. Alvaro noted these tiny baby steps to return toward something like normalcy make her happy.

Ms. Bonini

Ms. Bonini thanked everyone for the participation and presentations and remarked she thought it was a good meeting. She referred to Joint Resolution No. 21-11 Recognizing March 31, 2021, as César Chávez Day of Service and Learning, passed earlier in the evening on the Consent Agenda, and shared she is happy for these resolutions and the “Sharing Our Stories” initiative, allowing more information to be shared about the community.

Ms. Bonini shared she was invited to speak to the 8th graders at César Chávez Ravenswood Middle School the previous Friday by one of her good friends, a teacher at the school. There were roughly 10-12 teachers and 140 students and she was invited, as an elected official who helps make decisions about education, to answer student questions. Ms. Bonini stated that the questions focused on curriculum, teacher salaries, opening schools, vaccinations, and caring for teachers. It was a special day which tied in well to the important resolution passed. Ms. Bonini indicated she
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suggested that students reach out to the Board and others to get involved and help make change. She shared a heartwarming story about a student who explained he thought teachers should be paid more because heart surgeons are paid quite a lot and everyday teachers reach out and touch the hearts of their students. Ms. Bonini noted how the eyes of the teachers welled up, including her own, and it was amazing to hear such thoughtful comments and concerns from students about their teachers. She stated that teachers are feeling grateful that many have already been vaccinated and the event generated a great deal of positivity.

Mr. Lempert

Mr. Lempert shared appreciation for Ms. Bonini’s touching story. He expressed gratitude for the earlier presentation on what students are thinking, because there has been a lot of debate about school reopenings over the last year, and the Board has heard a lot from adults but not enough from students.

Mr. Lempert thanked Superintendent Magee for the continued heroic work and commented it was great to hear the updates, especially about vaccinations. Mr. Lempert said he appreciated the extra focus on vaccinations for childcare workers.

Mr. Cannon

Mr. Cannon emphasized that Superintendent Magee’s work during the pandemic has been fantastically positive and effective, and he will never be able to appreciate the amount of effort going into getting vaccinations for educators. He expressed gratitude for Superintendent Magee’s professional effort.

Mr. Cannon thanked Lori Musso, Associate Superintendent, Human Resources/Teacher and Administrator Development, and her team for their work on the Preliminary Administrative Services Credential (PASC) Cohort 5 Commencement Ceremony. He commented on the spirit, camaraderie, and support they provide in a normal year, and how he couldn’t imagine how this is done now. Mr. Cannon shared the great deal of respect he has for the team working in completely new territory and doing quite well.

Mr. Cannon remarked on Superintendent Magee’s tremendous support for Outdoor Education throughout the process. Mr. Cannon also described how Deputy Superintendent Porterfield has done such an outstanding job and has the confidence to explain and manage the money. He thanked Deputy Superintendent Porterfield for making it possible to go through this process with such confidence about the financial aspects.

Ms. Gerard

Ms. Gerard agreed with all previous comments and remarked on how much information was covered in many different areas, which was all positive. She agreed with Mr. Lempert about being happy to see student involvement in information presented and learn how students feel, because the Board doesn’t know how they feel and can only assume.

Ms. Gerard said she received six text messages earlier in the day from teachers on their way to receive vaccinations, all of whom were so excited.
Ms. Gerard shared she loved attending the PASC Cohort 5 Commencement Ceremony and hated to admit she had not attended one in the past. She remarked she was sorry to see it end because it was wonderful and uplifting, and everyone involved was excited. Ms. Gerard described the big smile on her face when she turned off her computer after the ceremony.

Ms. Gerard thanked Superintendent Magee for all the work she has done, which she knows has been difficult. She indicated that all Board members appreciate the work and one way or another take a beating over it, as well, but things are moving forward with vaccinations and getting students back on campus, which is exciting. Ms. Gerard emphasized that even with pressure, the focus must remain on staying safe. Everyone wants students on campus, but she strongly advocates that they must return safely.

Ms. Gerard reported that she and Mr. Ross attended a CCBE Conference planning meeting earlier in the week, where they accomplished a lot and will have a lot to share in upcoming meetings. She also spent time with the CCBE County Board Governance Training committee, and the trainings will start the following week. Ms. Gerard shared that a great deal of feeling and emotion have gone into the presentations, and the presenters really care.

Ms. Gerard wished everyone a great week.

Board President Camacho
Board President Camacho thanked Ms. Bonini for bringing up Joint Resolution No. 21-11 Recognizing March 31, 2021, as César Chávez Day of Service and Learning, which he was also thinking about, and reminded him of conversations when César Chávez Street was first adopted in San Francisco. He recalled being on César Chávez Street fighting against Proposition I to rename it back, and noted moving forward but having lots of work to do. Board President Camacho emphasized that the Chávez name is important to him, and he appreciates Superintendent Magee for placing the resolution on the agenda, as well as the Board’s support of the resolution.

Board President Camacho shared he has been in a lot of communication lately with Councilmember Cecilia Taylor from Menlo Park, learning more about Belle Haven. He said he has done work in Belle Haven and has known about the community for years. Councilmember Taylor and her team put together a startling report about infection rates in the Belle Haven census track compared to the city of Menlo Park overall, to comparable demographic makeup regions in the county, and the county overall. This data is then being compared to vaccination rates. Board President Camacho indicated that many people are working to ensure vaccine access is equitable, and the people delivering the message are doing it in a way that can reach the communities needing it the most. There is a site up at Jefferson High School in Daly City that vaccinated many people but had to turn away individuals who did not meet the criteria for being there.

While the hope is to vaccinate everyone, it is a constant battle to get the vaccine to those who need it most. Board President Camacho expressed appreciation to Superintendent Magee for focusing on the equity metric. He shared he brought up Belle Haven because it is important to look at data at micro levels, which he knows SMCOE is doing, because this is the way to ensure equity. Assumptions cannot be made, and data must be analyzed. Board President Camacho suggested for
anyone who has not seen the Belle Haven data, it is important to understand that there is a long way to go because census track data is not considered very often.

Board President Camacho commented on the PASC Cohort 5 Commencement Ceremony, which was fun and celebrated an incredible program. He stated it was great to see his fellow Board members there. Board President Camacho spoke of the energy the graduates brought to being an administrator, as well as the commitment to students and families. He thanked Associate Superintendent Musso, Cheryl Agrawal, Executive Director, Teacher and Administrator Development, and their entire team for putting on another great Zoom event. Board President Camacho joked that it was fun but not as fun as the Board meetings. He thanked everyone for their engagement that evening.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m. Board President Camacho announced the next regular meeting would take place on Wednesday, March 17, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

*Nancy Magee, Secretary*

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