RIVERSIDE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES

November 18, 2009

9:00 a.m., Riverside County Office of Education, 3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA

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OPENING PROCEDURES

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Board of Education was called to order by President Mediano at 9:01 a.m. on Wednesday, November 18, 2009.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Gibbel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

County Board of Education Members present were:

Mr. Adolfo Mediano, Jr., President, Banning
Dr. William R. Kroonen, Vice-President, Palm Desert
Dr. Lisa Conyers, Moreno Valley
Mrs. Lynne D. Craig, Riverside
Mrs. Betty Gibbel, Hemet
Dr. Vick Knight, Jr., Canyon Lake

Absent member:

Mr. Gerald Colapinto, Corona

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

This item is placed on the Agenda so that members of the audience have an opportunity to speak to any item on the Agenda or regarding subjects or concerns that do not appear on the Agenda. Any person wishing to speak is requested to complete the "Request to Address the Board" form found at the back of the room and to bring it forward to the Board Secretary. Each person wishing to address the Board will be limited to ***five minutes***. Board Bylaw 9323 limits the total time for public input on each item, subject, or concern to 20 minutes. Government Code Section 54954.2 and Education Code Section 35145.5 prohibit the Board of Education from discussing or acting upon matters not on the Agenda.

5. ITEM #5 - APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Knight that the agenda be approved as presented.

6 Ayes: Members Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano.
1 Absent: Member Colapinto.
Motion adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Consent Agenda Items # 6-7 are considered routine and may be enacted by a single motion. It is moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Craig that the consent agenda items be approved.

6 Ayes: Members Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano.
1 Absent: Member Colapinto.
Motion adopted.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   - Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Board of Education, October 14, 2009.
7. PERSONNEL SERVICES
   - The Riverside County Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board approve the Certification List #CL 11-09 (Temporary County Certificates) as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. PUBLIC HEARING: TIER III CATEGORICAL FLEXIBILITY

The Public Hearing was called to order at 9:27 a.m. and was conducted pursuant to the State Budget Act of 2009-10 which provides that school districts and county offices of education may use funding that is provided for "Tier III" categorical programs for "any educational purpose." In order to use this categorical flexibility, the Board is required to hold a public hearing on the proposed use of Tier III program funding, and approve the proposed uses. The Riverside County Office of Education receives funding for 21 Tier III categorical programs and continues to use the funding for purposes that are consistent with the original program purposes.

There were no requests to address the Board by the public.
The Public Hearing was closed at 9:28 a.m.

ACTION ITEMS

1. ACTION ITEM #1 - TIER III CATEGORICAL FLEXIBILITY

A Public Hearing was conducted pursuant to the State Budget Act of 2009-10 which provides that school districts and county offices of education may use funding that is provided for "Tier III" categorical programs for "any educational purpose." RCOE receives funding for 21 Tier III categorical programs, as shown in the supporting document, and continues to use the funding for purposes that are consistent with the original program purposes.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Kroonen that the decision of the Board is to approve the proposed uses of Tier III categorical funding as presented in the supported documentation.

6 Ayes: Members Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano.
1 Absent: Member Colapinto.
Motion adopted.

2. ACTION ITEM #2 – RESOLUTION NO. 08-10 RESOLUTION AND ORDER TRANSFERRING TERRITORY FROM PERRIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ROMOLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Riverside County Superintendent of Schools received a resolution, signed by a majority of the members of the governing boards of Perris Elementary School District and Romoland School District, requesting a transfer of territory from Perris Elementary School District to Romoland School District. The territory proposed for transfer is all of parcels 11, 12, 13, and 14 and portions of parcels 7, 8, 9, 10, and 15 of Monolith Trail in Perris, California. The proposal is made to include all of the homes in this cul-de-sac in the same school district. The County Committee on School District Organization acted on May 28, 2009 to approve the transfer

It was moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Conyers that Resolution No. 08-10 be approved as presented.

6 Ayes: Members Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano.
1 Absent: Member Colapinto.
Motion adopted.

3. ACTION ITEM #3 – SECOND READING OF BOARD POLICIES

BP 0510	School Accountability Report Cards
BP 3311	Business and Non Instructional Operations
BP 5125	Student Records
BP 6159.1	Procedural Safeguards and Complains for Special Education
BP 6163.4	Student Use of Technology

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Gibbel that the board policies be approved as presented.

6 Ayes: Members Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano.
1 Absent: Member Colapinto.
Motion adopted.

4. ACTION ITEM #4 – RESOLUTION NO. 09-10, REMUNERATION OF THE BOARD, GERALD P. COLAPINTO

Member Colapinto was absent from the October 14, 2009 regularly scheduled meeting due to illness. It was requested that the Riverside County Board of Education approve and adopt Resolution No. 09-10, approving the reason for his absence and order that he be paid for the meeting.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Conyers that Resolution No. 09-10 be approved as presented.

6 Ayes: Members Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano.
1 Absent: Member Colapinto.
Motion adopted.

5. ACTION ITEM #5 – RESOLUTION NO. 10-10, REMUNERATION OF THE BOARD, BETTY GIBBEL

Presented By: President Adolfo Mediano
Background Information: Member Gibbel absent from the October 14, 2009 regularly scheduled meeting due to illness. It is requested that the Riverside County Board of Education approve and adopt Resolution No. 10-10, approving the reason for her absence and order that she be paid for the meeting.

It was moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Knight that Resolution No. 10-10 be approved as presented.

6 Ayes: Members Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano.
1 Absent: Member Colapinto.
Motion adopted.

6. ACTION ITEM #6 – RESOLUTION NO. 11-10, REMUNERATION OF THE BOARD, DR. WILLIAM R. KROONEN

Member Kroonen was absent from the October 14, 2009 regularly scheduled meeting due to illness. It was requested that the Riverside County Board of Education approve and adopt Resolution No. 11-10, approving the reason for his absence and order that he be paid for the meeting.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Gibbel that Resolution No. 11-10 be approved as presented.

5 Ayes: Members Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, and Mediano.
1 Absent: Member Colapinto.
1 Abstention: Member Kroonen.
Motion adopted.

7. ACTION ITEM #7 – UNIQUE PROJECTS GRANT
The Student Programs and Services Division provided the Board with a proposal of Unique Projects Grant awardees for the 2009-10 school year.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Kroonen that the proposed awardees receive the Unique Projects Grant funding as presented.

6 Ayes: Members Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano.
1 Absent: Member Colapinto.
Motion adopted.

8. ACTION ITEM #8 – CSBA REGION 18 COUNTY DELEGATE POSITION
The Riverside County Board of Education will nominate and elect a representative to serve as the CSBA Region 18 County Delegate for a two year term. The delegate position is a shared county delegate seat between Riverside and Imperial Counties and alternates between the counties every two years.

It was moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Gibbel that Member Craig represent the Board as the CSBA Region 18 County Delegate.

6 Ayes: Members Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano.
1 Absent: Member Colapinto.
Motion adopted.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. CFS "Abuelitos" Golden Bell Winner
Dr. Diana Walsh-Reuss, Assistant Superintendent, Children and Family Services gave the Board a presentation of the Abuelitos program.

2. Early Reading First Program Update
Esmirna Valencia, Director II, Head Start, gave a update on the success of the Early Reading First Program.

3. Williams and Valenzuela Settlements 2008- 2009 State of Riverside County Schools Annual Report
Mike Barney, Director II, District and School Success Center, presented the annual report on the Williams and Valenzuela settlements.

4. Disposal of Surplus Property
Paul Jessup, Riverside County Deputy Superintendent of Schools, to comply with Education Code 1279, reviewed the 108 items valued at less than $25,000 that have been sold as surplus during the period of July 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009.

5. Fiscal Update
Rollin Edmunds, Director II, Business Services, reviewed the fiscal update as of October 31, 2009.

6. Facility Update
Paul Jessup reviewed the facility update.

7. Legislative Update
Paul Jessup reviewed Sandy Silberstein's Legislative update.

8. Introduction of Issues That May Be Addressed at Future Meetings

9. President/Board Member/Superintendent Comments

Member Gibbel said she appreciates the information in the RCOE weekly updates that Kenn sends as they help support her role in her legislative seat in Moreno Valley.

Member Craig said there have been many exciting programs at RCOE recently and she was especially pleased with the Operation Recognition ceremony. A similar event was held at her Senior Center and it is one of her favorites.
The CCBE will have a very short business meeting at the Annual CSBA Conference. Member Craig shared the success of the SWEP Program for an article in CCBE's CORE Newsletter. CCBE followed CSBA and didn't recognize a legislator of the year this year.

Member Kroonen would like to remind everyone that future items on the agenda were intended to be publicly aired for open discussion and that he would like to see the Board return to following that process. Dr. Kroonen is very delighted with the presentation highlighting outcomes of the Early Reading Program for all children, especially for the opportunity it will bring his own grandkids. He would like to thank Superintendent Young for coming out to support Coachella Valley and the desert in general. He has made frequent visits to show his support and it is greatly appreciated. As a follow up to a presentation in March, the CVEP will make a presentation on their current "Pathways Project" at the December meeting.

Member Knight said the Operation Recognition was a fantastic presentation. He wanted to congratulate Tracey Rivas on a job well done and noted that Moises Montejano was on Channel 9 during the many aired news clips highlighting the event.

OPEN SESSION ADJOURNMENT

Time: 10:17 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

10:25 a.m. Closed Session called to order.

1. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
   A. Name of case: Save our Chinatown Committee v. City of Riverside

2. Real Property Negotiations
   A. Property: 47-110 Calhoun Street, Indio, CA
      Agency Negotiators: Paul Jessup, Riverside County Deputy Superintendent of Schools
      Negotiating Party: State of California
      Under Negotiations: Terms and Conditions of Purchase

11:17 p.m. Closed Session adjourned.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, December 9, 2009, 9:00 a.m.
Riverside County Office of Education – Don F. Kenny Education Service Center 47-336 Oasis St. Indio, CA 92201-6998

RCOE CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

December 9, 2009 - 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Indio
December 9, 2009 – 11:30 a.m. Thermal Center Migrant Head Start Dedication Ceremony – Thermal
January 20, 2010 – 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside
February 9, 2010 – 6 p.m. – Academic Decathlon Awards Ceremony – Riverside Convention Center
February 10, 2010 – 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside

February 26, 2010 – 11:30 a.m. State of Education Address – Riverside
March 6, 2010 – 3:30 p.m. Mock Trial Awards Ceremony – Riverside Historic Courthouse
March 10, 2010 – 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Indio
March 20, 2010 – 7 a.m. History Day – Riverside (TBD)
March 24, 2010 – 9 a.m. – Spelling Bee – Moreno Valley Conference Center
April 13-14, 2010 – 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. – Science Fair – National Orange Show
April 14, 2010 – 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside
May 11, 2010 – 11:30 a.m. – Celebrating Educators – Riverside (TBD)
May 12, 2010 – 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Murrieta
June 9, 2010 – 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside
June 17, 2010 – 5:30 p.m. Employee Recognition – Riverside (TBD)

OTHER EVENTS:

December 3-5, 2009 – CSBA Annual Education Conference - San Diego

PUBLIC VIEWING OF DOCUMENTS

As per Government Code Section 54957.5, all documents related to this meeting are available for public viewing at each Riverside County Board of Education Meeting and at 3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA 92502.