

RIVERSIDE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
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**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

December 9, 2009

9:00 a.m., Riverside County Office of Education, 47-336 Oasis St. Indio, CA 92201-6998

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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 9:04 a.m. on Wednesday, December 9, 2009.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Member Craig 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 Knight and seconded by Member Craig 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 # 6-8 are considered routine and may be enacted by a single motion. It was moved by Member Knight 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, November 18, 2009.

7. **PERSONNEL SERVICES**

- The Riverside County Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board approve the Certification List #CL 12-09 (Temporary County Certificates) as presented.

8. **DONATIONS**

- Contribution from Altura Credit Union in the amount of \$7,000.00 for sponsorship of RCOE's Professional Development Day to be held April, 2010 and for employee gifts for various events throughout the year.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **ACTION ITEM #1 – FIRST INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT**

Positive certification of the financial condition of the Riverside County Office of Education as of October 31, 2009. Based on current projections, Riverside County Office of Education will meet financial obligations for the current fiscal and subsequent two fiscal years.

It was moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Conyers that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education regarding the First Interim Financial Report is to approve it as presented.

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

2. **ACTION ITEM #2 – RESOLUTION NO. 12-10, REMUNERATION OF THE BOARD, GERALD P. COLAPINTO**

Member Colapinto was absent from the November 18, 2009 regularly scheduled meeting due to illness. It was requested that the Riverside County Board of Education approve and adopt Resolution No. 12-10, approving the reason for his absence and order that he be paid for the meeting.

It was moved by Member Knight and seconded by Member Craig that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education is to approve Resolution No. 12-10.

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

3. **ACTION ITEM #3 – RESOLUTION NO. 13-10, 2010 DECENNIAL CENSUS IN SCHOOLS WEEK**

The decennial census takes place every 10 years to count the residents of each state to help identify where to allocate over \$400 billion to states, and to ensure fair Congressional representation by determining how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives as well as the redistricting of the state legislatures, county and city councils, and voting districts. The Riverside County Office of Education would like to engage all schools to ensure the most complete and accurate count of its surrounding residents.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Kroonen that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education is to approve Resolution No. 13-10.

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

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Coachella Valley Economic Partnership Career Pathways Initiative Presentation
Sheila Thornton and Kim McNulty of the Coachella Valley Economic Partnership gave a thorough presentation of the "Career Pathways Initiative".
2. Acknowledgement of Accreditation Status
Dr. Diana Walsh-Reuss acknowledged the hard work of the following child care providers who have earned the National Family Child Care Association Accreditation: Rosalinda Bobadilla, Rosalinda Garcia, Beatriz Jaquez, Janet Tucker, Patricia Jacobo and Sarah Mosley. Also acknowledged were Debbie Loquats and Jim Greene for their National Association for the Education of Young Children Accreditation.
3. Fiscal Update
Rollin Edmunds, Director II, reviewed the fiscal update as of November 22, 2009.
4. Facility Update
Paul Jessup, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, reviewed the facility update.
5. Legislative Update
Paul Jessup, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, reviewed Sandy Silberstein's Legislative update.
6. Introduction of Issues That May Be Addressed at Future Meetings
Member Gibbel requested that Sharon Baskett, Director, Children's Services Unit, return at a future meeting to give a full report on their programs.

Member Craig requested that the Riverside County Education Alliance give the board a presentation on their program within the next few months.

Member Kroonen requested that the CVEP be invited to the March meeting in Indio to give a follow up presentation on their scholarship recipients. He thinks there are many wonderful success stories that the board would enjoy hearing.

President Mediano said he would like to establish a subcommittee for board members to increase the efficiency of communication between the board and the superintendent. Rather than meeting monthly, he would like for the committee to meet annually and establish a plan of action for the upcoming year. He requested that Members Gibbel and Kroonen join Member Craig on the subcommittee and establish some guidelines to present to the superintendent.

7. President/Board Member/Superintendent Comments
Member Gibbel recently attended the CSBA Conference in San Diego and is proud of RCOE's 2 Golden Bell winners. She attended several presentations during the conference and was pleased with the overall conference content but felt there were a few minor timing issues that were poorly planned. She had the opportunity to work hands on with the sheet metal workers union and made her own metal toolbox. She also wanted to share that Member Craig brought about new changes to CCBE and that she was very proud of Member Craig's work this year.

Member Knight shared that this year CIF will be taking place at Vista Murrieta High School for the first time ever.

Member Craig agreed with Member Gibbel that the CSBA Conference had good presentations and also agreed that there were a few timing and planning issues. She thanked River Springs Charter School for their presentation at the CCBE meeting during the conference and she announced that RCSBA will recognize the Golden Bell winners at their general meeting on January 27, 2010 in Moreno Valley.

Member Conyers congratulated this year's Golden Bell winners from RCOE and the other districts. She also agreed with the other member's comments about the conference.

Member Kroonen shared that he's proud of Member Craig and congratulated her on her excellent leadership this year with CCBE. He also shared that he enjoyed the CSBA Conference student performers especially the mariachi group, he said they were the finest he's ever heard and that the student presentations are always of the highlights of these events.

President Adolfo dittoed the other member's conference comments and added that he enjoyed the conference this year. He especially enjoyed the information about funding for incarcerated youth. He invited his colleagues to share information about education for rehabilitating prisoners because funding spent on incarcerating youth can be better spent on educating them.

OPEN SESSION ADJOURNMENT

Time: 10:23 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

10:33 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

10:37 a.m. Closed Session adjourned.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, January 20, 2010, 9:00 a.m.

Riverside County Office of Education – Boardroom, 3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA 92501

RCOE CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

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:

April 10-12, 2010 - NSBA Annual Conference, Chicago, IL

PUBLIC VIEWING OF DOCUMENTS

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