

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

June 10, 2009

9:00 a.m., Riverside County Office of Education, 3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA 92502

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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 Knight at 9:03 a.m. on Wednesday, June 10, 2009.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Member Mediano led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

3. **ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

County Board of Education Members present were:

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

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**. 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 Mediano that the agenda be approved as presented.

7 ayes: Members Colapinto, Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, Mediano.
Motion adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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

7 ayes: Colapinto, Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, Mediano
Motion adopted.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Board of Education, May 13, 2009.
- Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Riverside County Board of Education, May 13, 2009.

7. **PERSONNEL SERVICES**

- The Riverside County Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board approve the Certification List #CL 06-09 (Temporary County Certificates) as presented.

8. **DONATIONS**

- \$109.00 donation from Susan Ford for the Children and Family Services annual backpack drive.
- \$50.00 donation from Esther Acevedo/Luxury Handbags for the Children and Family Services annual backpack drive.
- \$1,810.93 donation from the Knights of Columbus through its annual Tootsie Roll drive. The donation will be used to provide resources for the Community Based Instruction program at Jurupa Middle School West.

RECOGNITION

1. **EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION FOR SHARON VANCE AND SANDI KENGEN**

Mr. Patrick Kelleher, Director, Personnel Services, acknowledged the recent recognition of Sandi Kengen and Sharon Vance by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC). RCOE's Credentials Unit was recognized for their high standards and innovative practices. Both ladies have been selected by CTC to present information on the Assignment Monitoring and Review (AMR) process developed and implemented by the RCOE Credentials Unit. The presentations are a component of the Commission's three upcoming AMR workshops and are considered the best practices for training to be shared statewide with other county offices of education.

2. **2009 CALIFORNIA DISTINGUISHED SCHOOLS PRESENTATION**

Congratulations to Riverside County's 2009 California Distinguished Schools!

Middle School Winners:

Arizona Middle School, Alvord Unified School District
El Cerrito Middle School, Corona-Norco Unified School District
John Glenn Middle School of International Studies, Desert Sands Unified School District
Lakeland Village Middle School, Lake Elsinore Unified School District
Terra Cotta Middle School, Lake Elsinore Unified School District

High School Winners:

John F. Kennedy Middle College High School, Corona-Norco Unified School District
Hemet High School, Hemet Unified School District
Vista Murrieta High School, Murrieta Valley Unified School District
Nuview Bridge Early College High School, Nuview Union Elementary School District
Martin Luther King High School, Riverside Unified School District
Chaparral High School, Temecula Valley Unified School District

PUBLIC HEARING

1. GABRIELIÑOS CHARTER SCHOOL PETITION

The public hearing was called to order at 9:51 a.m. and was conducted pursuant to Education Code section 47605 j (1) and Board Policy 0421.41 regarding the charter school petition appeal of the Gabrieliños Charter Academy, the petition which was previously denied by the Moreno Valley Unified School District on March 12, 2009.

Pursuant to EC 47605(a) the purpose of the public hearing was to review the provisions of the charter and to consider the level of support for the petition by the teachers, employed by the district, other employees of the district, and parents.

Frank Arce and Esperanza Garcia-Arce presented on behalf of Gabrieliños Charter Academy.

Melanie Peterson, counsel for the Moreno Valley Unified School District, spoke on behalf of the district.

Mr. Paul Jessup, Deputy Superintendent of the Riverside County Office of Education, noted that the Gabrieliños Charter Academy School presented their petition to the Riverside County Office of Education for appeal upon the denial by the Moreno Valley Unified School District. The exact petition that was provided to Moreno Valley Unified School District will be considered by the Riverside County Board of Education. Riverside County Office of Education staff will prepare the findings and provide recommendations that will be presented to the County Board of Education at the July 8, 2009 meeting of the County Board of Education.

There were three requests to address the Board by the public.

The Public Hearing closed at 10:12 a.m.

ACTION ITEM

1. ACTION ITEM #1- SECOND READING OF BOARD POLICIES

BP 1000 Mission Statement

BP 7160 Facilities for Charter Schools (Policy deletion recommended)

It is moved by Member Mediano and seconded by Member Kroonen that BP1000 be approved and that BP 7160 be deleted.

7 ayes: Colapinto, Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, Mediano

Motion adopted.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. River Springs Charter School June Report

Dr. Kathleen Hermsmeyer gave the Board her annual update on River Springs Charter School highlighting enrollment information, student progress, reports on the successes and challenges of the School and a brief financial update.

2. Unique Projects Grant Report

Item was moved to the July 8, 2009 meeting.

3. History of RCOE'S Mission, Vision, Core Values and Commitments to Extraordinary Service

Diana Blackledge gave the history of RCOE's development of the Mission, Vision, Core Values and Commitments to Extraordinary Service.

4. Fiscal Update

Teresa Hyden, Director II, Business Services, reviewed the fiscal update as of May 22, 2009.

5. Facility Update

Dr. Paul Andersen, Director II, Facility Services, gave the board a review of the current and future facility projects and President Knight wished him well as he departs RCOE and moves into retirement.

6. Legislative Update

Paul Jessup, Deputy Superintendent, gave a grim update on the current legislative situation in California. Budget news changes daily, continually for the worst, and no end appears to be in sight. We will continue to prepare for the worst.

7. Review of 2010 Meeting Dates

President Knight asked the Board to review the proposed 2010 meeting dates for vote at the July 8, 2009 meeting.

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

None mentioned.

9. President/Board Member/Superintendent Comments

Member Gibbel continues to attend graduations.

Member Kroonen has also attended a few graduations and noted that for the first time in his 15 years as Trustee, the County Superintendent was able to attend the graduation at the College of the Desert. He was very pleased.

Member Craig said she dittos the other member's comments.

Member Mediano shared that his daughter will graduate high school in Banning this Friday.

President Knight submitted his written report and reminded everyone that RCOE'S Employee Recognition event is taking place at the Moreno Valley Conference and Recreation Center on Thursday, June 18, 2009 and hopes everyone can attend.

From President Knight's written report –

He has attended many graduations. Enjoyed the Celebrating Educators Luncheon. Was pleased to attend the 23rd PTA District gala where Superintendent Young was honored. Was asked to represent RCOE in the annual Fiesta Day parade in Canyon Lake. Enjoyed the RCOE Board Luncheon at the Study Session in May.

INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER HEARINGS

1. OPEN SESSION: INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER APPEAL (Sumpter)

It was moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Craig that Ryan Sumpter be granted an Interdistrict transfer from the Romoland School District to the Menifee Union School District for the 2009-10 school year.

6 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Craig, Conyers, Gibbel, Knight and Kroonen.

1 Nay: Member Mediano

Motion adopted.

2. OPEN SESSION: INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER APPEAL (Hungate)

It was moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Craig that Nathan Hungate be granted an Interdistrict transfer from the Romoland School District to the Menifee Union School District for the 2009-10 school year.

7 Ayes: Members Craig, Colapinto, Conyers, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen and Mediano

Motion adopted.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session opened at 11:36 a.m.

1. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation

A. Name of case: Save our Chinatown Committee v. City of Riverside

Closed Session ended at 11:39 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Time: 11:39 a.m.

NEXT MEETING – SPECIAL MEETING

Wednesday, June 24, 2009, 9:00 a.m.

Riverside County Office of Education – 3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA 92502

RCOE CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

June 18, 2009 – 5:30 p.m. Employee Recognition - Moreno Valley Conference and Recreation Center

June 24, 2009 – 9 a.m. – SPECIAL MEETING - Riverside County Board of Education– Riverside

July 8, 2009 - 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL Meeting – Riverside

August 19, 2009 - 5 p.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside

September 9, 2009 - 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside

October 14, 2009 - 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside

October 28, 2009 – 8 a.m. Education Summit - Riverside

November 18, 2009 - 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside

December 9, 2009 - 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting - Indio

OTHER EVENTS:

October 29, 2009 – RCSBA/SBCSBA Fall Joint Meeting – San Bernardino

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

PUBLIC VIEWING OF DOCUMENTS

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