

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

June 9, 2010

9:00 a.m., Riverside County Office of Education, 3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA 92501

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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 Vice-President Kroonen at 9:02 am.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Member Conyers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

County Board of Education Members

Dr. 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 was:

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.

No members of the public came forward to address the Board.

5. **ITEM #5 - APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Conyers 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 Gibbel that the consent agenda items be approved as presented.

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, May 12, 2010

7. **PERSONNEL SERVICES**

- The Riverside County Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board approve the Certification List #CL 06-10 (Temporary County Certificates) as presented.

8. **DONATIONS**

- Donation of 3 Coffee Travelers valued at \$36.00 from Starbucks to be used by the Educational Services Division for the Project DELTA "Learning Mathematics for Teaching" Workshop on May 20, 2010.
- Donation of 200 Certificate of Student Achievement Awards valued at approximately \$1,000.00 for 1 free child's meal from Mimi's Café to be used by the Educational Services Division for the Project DELTA "Learning Mathematics for Teaching" on May 20, 2010.
- Donation of two brownie trays valued at \$37.00 from Chick-fil-A for refreshments at the Project DELTA Kick-Off Celebration on May 26, 2010.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **PUBLIC HEARING ON TIER III CATEGORICAL FUNDING**

Public Hearing was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

Education Code Section 42605(c)(2) 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 17 Tier III categorical programs and continues to use the funding for purposes that are consistent with the original program purposes. No members of the public came forward to speak on this matter. The Hearing was closed at 9:06 am.

2. **PUBLIC HEARING ON 2010-11 ANNUAL BUDGET**

Public Hearing was called to order at 9:06 a.m.

Pursuant to Education Code Section 1620, a public hearing was held prior to the adoption of the 2010-2011 Riverside County Office of Education Annual Budget. Public Notice on the hearing was published in the May 25, 2010 edition of the Press Enterprise newspaper. The proposed budget was made available for public inspection at the Riverside County Office of Education, 3939 Thirteenth Street, Riverside, California. No members of the public came forward to speak on this matter. The Hearing was closed at 9:07 a.m.

3. **PUBLIC HEARING ON IMAGINE SCHOOLS CHARTER PETITION**

Public Hearing was called to order at 9:07 a.m.

Imagine Charter School submitted a petition for the establishment of a countywide benefit charter school: "Imagine Schools Riverside County". Jamie Brown, Alma Gonzalez, Sukhi Sandhu, Paul Grafton, Elisa Guevara, Amalia DeAztlan and Priscilla Waggoner all came forward to address the Board on this matter. The Board will reconvene and possibly act on this petition on July 14, 2010. The Hearing was closed at 10:02 a.m.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **ACTION ITEM #1 – TIER III CATEGORICAL FUNDING APPROVAL**

The Riverside County Office of Education receives funding for 17 Tier III categorical programs and continues to use the funding for purposes that are consistent with the original program purposes. Education Code Section 42605(c)(2) provides that school districts and county offices of education may use funding that is provided for “Tier III” categorical programs for “any educational purpose.” The Board has held a public hearing on the proposed use of RCOE’s Tier III program funding.

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

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

1 Absent: Member Colapinto

Motion adopted.

2. **ACTION ITEM #2 – ADOPTION OF THE 2010-11 ANNUAL BUDGET**

Pursuant to Education Code Section 1620, a public hearing was held prior to the adoption of the 2010-2011 Riverside County Office of Education Annual Budget. Public Notice on the hearing was published in the May 25, 2010 edition of the Press Enterprise newspaper. The proposed budget was made available for public inspection at the Riverside County Office of Education, 3939 Thirteenth Street, Riverside, California.

It was moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Craig that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education is to approve the 2010-11 Annual Budget as presented.

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

1 Absent: Member Colapinto

Motion adopted.

3. **ACTION ITEM #3 – APPROVAL OF EXPULSION WRITTEN DECISION #050310E**

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Gibbel that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education is to approve the written decision of expulsion #050310E as submitted by legal counsel. The second was withdrawn and it was moved by Member Conyers and seconded by Member Knight that this item be tabled for discussion in Closed Session.

5 Ayes: Members Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, and Mediano.

1 Abstention: Member Kroonen

1 Absent: Member Colapinto

Motion adopted.

4. **ACTION ITEM #4 – LETTER OF AUTHORIZATION – LAND USE - 47110 CALHOUN ST., INDIO, CA**

Letter to delegate authority to the Riverside County Deputy Superintendent of Schools to sign a letter of authorization granting T-Mobile West Corporation to act as an agent of the Board and apply for and process any building and land use entitlements for the purposes of constructing and operating a communications facility on 47-110 Calhoun St., Indio, CA.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Kroonen that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education is to approve the Letter of Authorization as presented.

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

1 Absent: Member Colapinto

Motion adopted.

5. **ACTION ITEM #5 – REDUCTION OF SUPERINTENDENT’S COMPENSATION**

Riverside County Superintendent of Schools, Kenneth M. Young requests that the Riverside County Board of Education reduce his salary by the equivalent of four (4) days to match the reduction taken by the Riverside County Office of Education Management Leadership Team.

It was moved by Member Knight and seconded by Member Kroonen that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education is to approve the Superintendent’s compensation reduction as requested.

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

1 Absent: Member Colapinto

Motion adopted.

6. **ACTION ITEM #6– SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GRANT FOR COMMUNITY SCHOOL**

In March 2010, the State Board of Education listed the RCOE Community School program among the 5% consistently low performing school based on state achievement scores over the past four years. This designation allows for RCOE to apply for a federally funded School Improvement Grant (SIG). This application requires Board approval.

It was moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Conyers that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education is to approve the School Improvement Grant application for Community School.

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

1 Absent: Member Colapinto

Motion adopted.

7. **ACTION ITEM #7– SECOND READING OF BOARD POLICIES**

Updated Policies

- BP 4136 Employee Conflict of Interest Obligations
- BP 5121 Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement
- BP 5131.1 Bus Conduct
- BP 5145.7 Sexual Harassment
- BP 6143 Courses of Study
- BP 6145 Extra/Co-curricular Activities
- BP 6164.2 Guidance Counseling
- BP 6173.1 Education of Foster Youth

It was moved by Member Conyers and seconded by Member Kroonen that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education is to approve the board policies with the exception of BP 4136. After revision, BP 4136 is to be brought back for a future vote.

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

1 Absent: Member Colapinto

Motion adopted.

8. **ACTION ITEM #8 – REMUNERATION OF THE BOARD, DR. WILLIAM R. KROONEN**

Member Kroonen was absent from the May 12, 2010 regularly scheduled meeting due to illness. It is requested that the Riverside County Board of Education approve and adopt Resolution No. 20-10, 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 Conyers that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education is to approve Resolution No. 20-10 as presented.

5 Ayes: Members Conyers, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, and Mediano.

1 Abstention: Member Kroonen

1 Absent: Member Colapinto

Motion adopted.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. River Springs Semi-Annual Report
Dr. Kathleen Hermsmeyer, Executive Director, River Springs Charter School, gave the semi-annual report.
2. 2009-10 Unique Projects Report Grant Year-End Report
Mike Sepulveda, Assistant Superintendent, Student Programs & Services, gave the Board the end of the year report of the Unique Projects Grant recipients.
3. First Reading of Board Policies
Updated Policy:
 - BP 6178.2 Regional Occupational ProgramDeleted Policy:
 - Vocational Education
4. Fiscal Update
Paul Jessup reviewed the fiscal update as of May 22, 2010.
5. Facility Update
Paul Jessup reviewed the facility update.
6. Legislative Update
Paul Jessup reviewed Sandy Silberstein's Legislative Update.
7. First Review of 2011 Meeting Dates
President Mediano submitted the 2011 Meeting Dates for review.
8. Introduction of Issues That May Be Addressed at Future Meetings
 1. Member Craig requested that a committee be formed to review the Board's Budget and to discuss the possibility of increasing the Unique Projects Grant. She would like to volunteer for the committee and suggests that President Mediano and one additional member be on it.
 2. Member Craig would like to have the recent CSBA lawsuit and resolution be placed on a future agenda as an action item.
 3. Member Craig would like to see a presentation on the DPNS laptop loaner program mentioned in Superintendent Young's Weekly Update.
9. President/Board Member/Superintendent Comments
Member Craig congratulated Superintendent Young on his fine showing in last night's election numbers. She knows the results are not final but his lead is substantial at this point.

Member Gibbel has attended a few graduations and has found them very gratifying especially the Menifee graduation for Special Education where students are given the opportunity to speak during the ceremony.

Member Knight ditto's Member Gibbel's comment.

Member Craig apologized for not having a written report this month. She reported that Jesus Holguin won the Region 18 Directorship for RCSBA and that he will also serve as President of RCSBA.

Member Craig has also attended several graduations recently and the highlight of them was the Twin Pines ceremony. The students had tremendous family support and their bond with the horses from their Unique Projects program, Horses & At-Risk Youth III: Life Lessons & Vocational Training, was very evident and moving. CCBE has recently become aware of the lawsuit against Madera County regarding trustee areas on board seats vs. at-large seats and whether or not it is racially unbalanced representation. It will be an expensive lawsuit for Madera County and Member Craig is concerned that it might be a developing trend.

Member Craig also reported that the CCBE Conference will be held October 1-2, 2010 in Monterey. Carol Channing will be the primary speaker again this year.

Member Conyers had the pleasure of attending Nuview Union Charter High School's graduation.

Member Kroonen attended the College of the Desert ceremony which was a merged graduation from Banning to Coachella and was also a pleasure to attend.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session was called to order at 12:05 p.m.

1. **Real Property Negotiations**
 - A. Property: 3909 12th St., Riverside, CA 92501 (APN: 215-222-009)
Agency Negotiator: Paul Jessup, Riverside County Deputy Superintendent of Schools
Negotiating Party: Stanly Hargrave, Hargrave and Associates
Under Negotiations: Terms and Conditions
2. **Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation**
 - B. Name of Case: Save our Chinatown Committee v. City of Riverside
3. **Review of EXPULSION WRITTEN DECISION #050310E** (added during meeting)

Closed Session was adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board took no action during Closed Session. The Board will reconvene in Open Session on July 14, 2010 and possibly act on Item #3 Review of EXPULSION WRITTEN DECISION #050310E.

The meeting was adjourned in Open Session at 12:39 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, July 14, 2010, 9:00 a.m.

Riverside County Office of Education – **Board Room**, 3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA 92501

RCOE CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

June 10, 2010 – 7:30 p.m. Special Education – Palo Verde High School (with district graduation ceremony)
June 16, 2010 – 6 p.m. West County Community Schools/Cal-SAFE/Special Education/Riverside Community Hospital/
Temecula Community School/Murrieta Cal-SAFE Graduation – Riverside Community College
June 17, 2010 – 5:30 p.m. Employee Recognition – Moreno Valley Conference and Recreation Center
July 14, 2010 - 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside
August 18, 2010 - 5 p.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside
September 8, 2010 - 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside
October 13, 2010 - 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Mt. San Jacinto Regional Learning Center
October 27, 2010 – 8 a.m. Eighth Annual Riverside County Education Summit – Palm Springs Convention Center
October 28, 2010 - 8 a.m. Parent Involvement Summit – Palm Springs Convention Center
November 10, 2010 - 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside
November 12, 2010 – 10 a.m. Operation Recognition – CSUSB Palm Desert
December 8, 2010 - 9 a.m. Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Indio

OTHER EVENTS:

December 4-6, 2010 – CSBA Annual Conference – San Francisco

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.