

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

July 8, 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 Knight at 9:03 a.m. on Wednesday, July 8, 2009.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Member Conyers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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  
Dr. Lisa Conyers, Moreno Valley  
Mrs. Lynne D. Craig, Riverside  
Mrs. Betty Gibbel, Hemet

Absent Members were:

Mr. Gerald Colapinto, Corona  
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 is moved by Member Conyers and seconded by Member Gibbel that the agenda be approved as presented.

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

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Kroonen

Motion adopted.

6. **ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD**

A. **ELECTION OF 2009-10 OFFICERS**

1. **Election of President**

It was moved by Member Conyers and seconded by Member Gibbel that Adolfo Mediano, Jr. be elected as President of the Riverside County Board of Education for the 2009-10 operational year.

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

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Kroonen

Motion adopted.

2. **Election of Vice-President**

It was moved by Member Gibbel and seconded by Member Craig that Dr. Bill Kroonen be elected as Vice-President of the Riverside County Board of Education for the 2009-10 operational year.

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

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Kroonen

Motion adopted

B. **APPROVAL OF THE 2010 BOARD MEETING DATES**

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Conyers that the proposed January – December 2010 Board Meeting Dates be approved as presented.

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

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Kroonen

Motion adopted

C. **Special Presentation to Outgoing President, Dr. Vick Knight** Newly-elected President Mediano presented Dr. Vick Knight with a crystal gavel in appreciation of his hard work and dedication to the Board and to the Riverside County Office of Education.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

It was moved by Member Knight and seconded by Member Craig that the consent agenda items be approved as amended.

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

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Kroonen

Motion adopted

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Board of Education, June 10, 2009.
- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Board of Education, June 24, 2009.

8. **PERSONNEL SERVICES**

- The Riverside County Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board approve the Certification List #CL 07-09 (Temporary County Certificates) as presented.

**RECOGNITION**

1. **OSTEN ANDERSON, NATIONAL HISTORY DAY COMPETITION FIRST PLACE MEDALIST**

Mrs. Ofelia Valdez-Yeager, Chief Administrative Liaison to the Superintendent, introduced Osten Anderson, one of Riverside County's first place medalists of the recent National History Day Competition. Osten is a student at Amelia Earhart Middle School in the Riverside Unified School District. He won first place in the Junior Web Site category for his web site entry titled *Alfred Nobel: Inventions of Destruction - Legacy of Peace*. Osten was joined by his district superintendent, Dr. Richard Miller, his district coordinator, Ron Weston, and his very proud mother, Kalin Anderson as he received a certificate for his outstanding achievement.

## ACTION ITEMS

### 1. ACTION ITEM #1- DECISION ON THE GABRIELIÑOS CHARTER ACADEMY PETITION

A petition regarding the proposed Gabrieliños Charter Academy was presented to the Riverside County Office of Education (RCOE) on appeal of a denial by the Moreno Valley Unified School District. A public hearing was held on June 10, 2009 pursuant to Education Code section 47605 j (1) and Board Policy 0421.41 regarding the matter.

Paul Jessup, Deputy Superintendent of RCOE presented a summary and recommendation from the RCOE Staff Report. After a rebuttal from Gabrieliños CEO, Alan Louis and his co-petitioners, it was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Knight to adopt the findings presented in the RCOE Staff Report and deny the charter petition.

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

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Kroonen

Motion adopted

## INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

### 1. International Baccalaureate Presentation by Temecula Valley USD

At Member Knight and the Board's request, Ms. January King and two students of the Temecula Valley USD International Baccalaureate (IB) program gave a presentation on the excellent IB Program at Great Oak High School. The Board appreciated their efforts in coming all the way to Riverside to make their presentation.

### 2. Career Technical Education / Regional Occupational Program 2009-10 Course Approvals

Claire Spence, Instructional Specialist in the CTE/ROP division presented a list of courses for the 2009-10 operational year.

### 3. Director's Presentation

Linda Childress, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, gave a presentation on the many services provided to teachers throughout Riverside and surrounding counties and introduced Barbara Howard as her replacement in her former position as Director of the Teacher Support Center.

### 4. Unique Projects Update

Mike Sepulveda, Assistant Superintendent of Student Programs and Services, gave a report on the accomplishments of the 2008-09 recipients of the Board's Unique Projects Grants.

### 5. First Reading of Board Policies

Paul Jessup, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, presented the following Board Policies for review and consideration:

Series 1000

BP 1240 Community Relations, Volunteer Assistance

BP 1313 Community Relations, Civility Policy

### 6. Fiscal Update

Tom Johnson, Director, gave the fiscal update as of June 22, 2009.

### 7. Facility Update

Paul Jessup, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, presented the current and future facility projects.

### 8. Legislative Update

Paul Jessup, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, presented the legislative and budget update.

### 9. Introduction of Issues That May Be Addressed at Future Meetings

President Mediano asked Members write down any future issue agenda items and give them to Sandra.

10. President/Board Member/Superintendent Comments

Member Craig e-mailed the Board members a 44 page report from a recent First 5 Commission meeting on the status of child care in Riverside County.

Member Craig brought everyone information on CCBE Fall conference. It is CCBE's first solo conference and it will be held in Monterey on September 25-26, 2009. Registration will be discounted at \$99 for the first 30 days of registration.

Superintendent Young gave an overview of the shifts in employee positions that are a result of the recent retirements and layoffs. He also gave information on this year's Education Summit; it has been scaled back to a one-day event due to the current budget crisis. This year's keynote speaker will be Doug Reeves.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Time: 11:40 a.m.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING**

Wednesday, August 19, 2009 5:00 p.m.

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

**RCOE CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

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 10, 2009 – 10 a.m. Operation Recognition – Moreno Valley Conference and Recreation Center

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**

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.