

**RIVERSIDE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
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**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
August 15, 2007**

OPENING PROCEDURES

1. Call to Order by the President

The Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Board of Education was called to order by President Conyers at 9:02 a.m. on Wednesday, August 15, 2007, at the Riverside County Office of Education, 3939 Thirteenth Street, Riverside.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

The pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Member Kroonen.

3. Attendance

a. County Board of Education Members

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

b. Secretary to the Board

Mr. Kenneth M. Young, Riverside County Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Monica Martinez, Secretary to the Board of Education

c. Invited Guests and Visitors

Mrs. Sherry Gordon, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud and Romo
Dr. Jay Hoffman, Superintendent, Nuvview Union School District

d. Staff Members

Mr. Paul Andersen, Mrs. Cami Berry, Mrs. Diana Blackledge, Mrs. Patti Crawford,
Ms. Betty Folsom, Mrs. Theresa Hyden, Mr. Paul Jessup, Dr. Mike Jones, Dr.
Sandra Schnack, Mrs. Ofelia Valdez-Yeager, Ms. Ann Vessey, Dr. Diana Walsh-
Reuss.

4. Public Comments

Pursuant to **Government Code Section 54954.3 and Education Code Section 35145.5** any person wishing to speak to any item on the agenda, or any other relevant matter, was given the opportunity to do so.

Mrs. Nancy McCall, Representative, California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 693 was present to address the Board. Mrs. McCall shared that the Riverside County Office of Education and CSEA have reached a tentative agreement. They are currently notifying membership and are recommending ratification.

Mrs. McCall shared her appreciation to President Conyers and Member Craig and to Riverside County Office of Education management staff for attending the CSEA Conference. Next year the CSEA Conference will be held August 4, 2008. Mrs. McCall shared copies of the CSEA Focus Magazine with the Board.

5. Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Member Colapinto and seconded by Member Craig.

That the agenda for the August 15, 2007, Riverside County Board of Education meeting be approved.

7 Ayes

Motion adopted.

CONSENT CALENDAR
Items 6-7 were enacted with a single motion.

It was moved by Member Mediano and seconded by Member Kroonen.

That the Consent Calendar be approved as presented.

7 Ayes

Motion adopted.

6. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Board of Education, July 11, 2007 with one correction on page 5, action item number 4, Member Conyers voted Yes to the motion.

7. Personnel Services

Certification List #CL 8-07, as recommended for approval by the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools.

8. Special Presentation for Dr. Jay Hoffman, Superintendent, Nuview Union School District

Mr. Kenneth Young, Superintendent of Schools, introduced Dr. Jay Hoffman, Superintendent of Nuview Union School District who was recently awarded the Marcus Foster Award by the Association of California School Administrators. President Conyers presented Dr. Jay Hoffman with a plaque, on behalf of the Riverside County Board of Education, for his contributions to education and students in Riverside County.

ACTION

1. Nomination for California School Boards Association (CSBA) Director-at-Large, County Boards

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Gibbel.

That the Riverside County Board of Education nominate Sarah Wilkens as the CSBA Director-at-Large, County Boards.

7 Ayes

Motion adopted.

2. Resolution No. 10-07, Resolution for Pupil Textbook and Instructional Materials Compliance for Alternative Education for Fiscal Year 2007-2008.

It was moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Knight.

That the Riverside County Board of Education adopts Resolution No. 10-07, determining that students in the Court/Community Schools, and Cal-SAFE Program classes have sufficient textbooks and instructional materials or will have sufficient books and materials for the 2007-2008 fiscal year, in accordance with Education Code Sections 60119 and 60422(b).

7 Ayes

Motion adopted.

3. **Resolution No. 11-07, Fix the No Child Left Behind Act**

It was moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Colapinto.

That the Riverside County Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 11-07, and joins the California School Boards Association in urging Congress to review and address the necessary amendments to the No Child Left Behind Act so that schools can successfully implement the act.

7 Ayes

Motion adopted.

4. **Resolution No. 12-07, Remuneration of the Board, Lynne Craig**

It was moved by Member Knight and seconded by Member Gibbel.

That the Riverside County Board of Education approve and adopt Resolution No. 12-07, approving the reasons for absence of Member Craig from the July 11, 2007 meeting and order that she be paid for the meeting as she had an excusable absence.

7 Ayes

Motion adopted.

5. **Second Reading of Board Policies and Approval**

It was moved by Member Kroonen and seconded by Member Colapinto.

That the Riverside County Board of Education approves Board Policies as presented including:

Series 3000 – Business and General Support Services

3511 – Energy and Water Conservation

3514 – Environmental Safety

3514.1 – Hazardous Substance Communications Policy/Program

3520 – Office Services-School District Orders for Payment of Obligations

Series 4000 – Personnel

4135 – Soliciting and Selling

4200 – Classified Personnel-Roles and Responsibilities

Series 5000 – Students

5030 – Student Wellness

5112.1 – Exemptions from Attendance

5113.2 – Work Permits

5126 – Awards for Achievement

Series 6000 – Instruction

6146.11 – Alternative Credits Toward Graduation

6146.3 – Reciprocity of Academic Credit

6162.51 – Standardized Testing and Reporting Program

7 Ayes

Motion adopted.

HEARINGS

1. Expulsion Appeal Hearing #070707E – *This matter, having being resolved, was not before the County Board of Education.*
2. CLOSED SESSION: Expulsion Appeal #070507E – *Continued from the July 11, 2007 meeting of the County Board of Education.*

It was moved by Member Knight and seconded by Member Colapinto.

That the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education regarding Expulsion Appeal Hearing #070507E is to remand the matter to the Governing Board of the Jurupa Unified School District for reconsideration.

7 Ayes.

Motion adopted.

3. CLOSED SESSION: Expulsion Appeal #070607E

It was moved by Member Mediano and seconded by Member Craig.

That the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education regarding Expulsion Appeal Hearing #070607EE is affirm the decision of the Governing Board of the Murrieta Valley Unified School District.

7 Ayes.

Motion adopted.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Fiscal Update

Mrs. Theresa Hyden reviewed the budget transfers and adjustments for July 2007.

2. Legislative Update

Mr. Paul Jessup provided and reviewed a written legislative update from Teri Burns, Director of Legislative Advocacy, School Innovations and Advocacy.

3. Facility Update

Dr. Paul Andersen provided and reviewed a written facility projects update.

4. First Reading of Board Policies and Bylaws

Mrs. Patti Crawford reviewed the following Board policies:

Series 0000 - Philosophy, Goals/Objectives, Comprehensive Plans

0420.41 - Procedures for Reviewing a Charter Schools Petition by the County Board of Education

0420.41 (Attach. A) - Submission of Countywide Benefit Charter School Petitions to the County Board of Education

0520 - Intervention for Underperforming Schools

0520.1 - High Priority School Grant Program

Series 3000 - Business, General Support

3220.1 - Lottery Funds

3523 - Media Relations

3540 - Transportation

Series 4000 – Personnel

4231 - Staff Development

Series 5000 – Students

5131.63 - Steroids

5137 - Positive School Climate

5144 - Discipline

5144.1 - Suspension and Expulsions/Due Process

5148 - Child Care and Development

Series 6000 – Instruction

6175 - Migrant Education Program

6179 - Supplemental Instruction

Series 9000 - Bylaws

9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials

9323.2 - Actions by the Board

Mrs. Crawford noted that board policy number 0520 is no longer relevant.

5. Charter Review Process

Mrs. Patti Crawford shared and reviewed the new application packet for the establishment of a countywide benefit charter school. This application packet is for new county charters and not for charter schools on appeal. There was one correction noted on page 7, item 10 to change the word “included” to “include”.

Mr. Kenneth Young commended staff for their hard work with the application and process.

6. Charter Schools Update

Mrs. Patti Crawford reviewed a written charter school update.

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

Member Craig requested a future presentation on how the Preschool for All program has proven beneficial to children.

Member Conyers requested that Maxine Frost, Board Member, Riverside Unified School District, be invited to the September 12, 2007 County Board of Education meeting so that she may be acknowledged for receiving the Ferd Kiesel Memorial Distinguished Service Award by the Association of California School Administrators and for her contributions to education in Riverside County.

8. President/Board Member/Superintendent Comments

Member Craig shared that she attended the Correctional Education Conference in Atlanta, Georgia where staff from the Alternative Education program presented on the Horsemanship program. Member Craig also shared that she attended the California Board of Education meeting in July and the River Springs Charter School conference in Temecula.

Members Craig, Gibbel and Kroonen shared their appreciation for the weekly division reports and daily PaperClips newspaper articles.

Member Craig and Conyers shared that they attended the California School Employees Association Conference in Clark County, Nevada.

Member Knight shared that as president of the Inland Empire Chapter of the Freedom Foundation, he nominated Dr. David Long for the George Washington Honor Medal and was just notified that Dr. David Long has been selected for the award.

Mr. Kenneth Young shared that at the September 12, 2007 Board Meeting there will be a study session to review the new electronic Board agenda.

Mr. Young also shared that he met with Mr. Jack O'Connell, State Superintendent of Public Instruction at a private preschool and discussed how the unapproved state budget is affecting education. In addition, Mr. Young also shared that the Education Summit will take place on October 18-19, 2007 in Palm Desert and extended an invitation to the Board.

Mr. Young noted that the California Department of Education is hosting an Achievement Gap Summit in Sacramento on November 13-14, 2007, at which our cabinet members will be attending. Due to the conference, there will be an absence of cabinet members at our November 14, 2007, County Board of Education meeting.

Adjournment: 12:21 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING - 9 a.m., **Wednesday, September 12 2007**, Riverside County Office of Education, 3939 Thirteenth Street, Riverside.

President

Secretary