

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

August 18, 2010

3:00 p.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 President Kroonen at 3:03 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Member Gibbel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

County Board of Education Members

Dr. William R. Kroonen, President, Palm Desert
Mrs. Lynne D. Craig, Vice-President, Riverside
Mrs. Betty Gibbel, Hemet
Dr. Vick Knight, Jr., Canyon Lake
Dr. Adolfo Mediano, Jr., Banning

Absent member was:

Mr. Gerald Colapinto, Corona
Dr. Lisa Conyers, Moreno Valley

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.

There were no requests to address the board.

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

It was moved by Member Mediano and seconded by Member Gibbel that the agenda be approved with the acknowledgement that Imagine Schools, Riverside County withdrew their charter petition from the agenda.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, Mediano
2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers
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 Mediano and seconded by Member Craig that the consent agenda items be approved as presented.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers

Motion adopted.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Board of Education, July 14, 2010

7. **PERSONNEL SERVICES**

- The Riverside County Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board approve the Certification List #CL 08-10 (Temporary County Certificates) as presented.

8. **DONATION**

- Donation of \$500 from KOHL's for the purchase of Dr. Seuss books for Head Start children.

INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER APPEAL HEARINGS

1. **INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER APPEAL HEARING – ANDRES GARCIA MORALES**

An Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing was requested for Andres Garcia Morales from the Perris Union High School District to the Val Verde Unified School District for the 2010-11 school year.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Knight that the Interdistrict Transfer Appeal for Andres Garcia Morales be granted for the 2010-11 school year.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers

Motion adopted.

2. **INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER APPEAL HEARING – OLIVIA LUTZ**

An Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing was requested for Olivia Lutz from the Perris Union High School District to the Murrieta Valley Unified School District for the 2010-11 school year.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Knight that the Interdistrict Transfer Appeal for Olivia Lutz be granted for the 2010-11 school year.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers

Motion adopted.

3. **INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER APPEAL HEARING – CHELSEA HOWELL**

An Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing was requested for Chelsea Howell from the Lake Elsinore Unified School District to the Murrieta Valley Unified School District for the 2010-11 school year.

It was moved by Member Knight and seconded by Member Craig that the Interdistrict Transfer Appeal for Chelsea Howell be granted for the 2010-11 school year.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers

Motion adopted.

CLOSED SESSION – EXPULSION APPEAL

1. **CLOSED SESSION - EXPULSION APPEAL HEARING #080110E**

After meeting in Closed Session from 4:50 p.m. to 5:38 p.m. to hear Expulsion Appeal #050310E, Open Session was called to order at 5:49 p.m..

It was moved by Member Mediano and seconded by Member Knight that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education in Expulsion Appeal Case #080110E is to **AFFIRM** the decision of the Governing Board of the Banning Unified School District.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers

Motion adopted.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session was called to order at 5:56 p.m.

1. **Conference With Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation**

Name of case: Save our Chinatown Committee v. City of Riverside, et al.
(Riverside Superior Court Case No. RIC 512553)

Closed Session was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

The Board took no action during Closed Session

RECONVENED TO OPEN SESSION AT 6:30 PM

PUBLIC HEARING

1. **IMAGINE SCHOOLS, RIVERSIDE COUNTY**

Imagine Schools withdrew their charter school petition from the agenda.

2. **PUPIL TEXTBOOK AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS COMPLIANCE FOR ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION AND SPECIAL EDUCATION FOR 2010-11.**

A Public Hearing was called to order at 6:30 p.m. pursuant to Education Code Section 60119, to determine that each pupil enrolled in a school has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, that are aligned to the content standards adopted pursuant to Section 60605 in each of the following subjects, as appropriate, that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the state board: Mathematics, Science, History-Social Science, English/Language Arts, including the English Language development component of an adopted program.

Public Hearing notices were posted on July 26, 2010 to notify and cordially invite the Public to attend and participate in the review of this determination.

No members of the public came forward to speak. The hearing was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **IMAGINE SCHOOLS, RIVERSIDE COUNTY - PETITION FOR A CHARTER SCHOOL**

Imagine Schools withdrew their charter school petition from the agenda.

2. **RESOLUTION NO. 02-11 – PUPIL TEXTBOOK AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS COMPLIANCE FOR ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION AND SPECIAL EDUCATION FOR 2010-11.**

Pursuant to Education Code Section 60119, a Public Hearing was held to determine that each pupil enrolled in a school has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, that are aligned to the content standards adopted pursuant to Section 60605 in each of the following subjects, as appropriate, that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the state board: Mathematics, Science, History-social science, English/Language arts, including the English Language development component of an adopted program.

Resolution No. 02-11 confirms that each pupil enrolled in a foreign language or health course has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum frameworks adopted by the state board for those subjects. It also confirms the availability of laboratory science equipment as applicable to science laboratory courses offered in grades 9 to 12, inclusive.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Gibbel that Resolution No. 02-11 be adopted as presented.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers

Motion adopted.

3. **RESOLUTION NO. 03-11, RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ROBLES-WONG V. CALIFORNIA, LITIGATION CHALLENGING THE STATE'S SCHOOL FINANCE SYSTEM**

On May 20, 2010 a historic lawsuit was filed against the State of California requesting that the current education finance system be declared unconstitutional and that lawmakers be required to design and implement a school finance system that provides all students an equal opportunity to meet the academic program set by the state. This lawsuit, Robles-Wong v. California, was brought forth by a broad coalition of students, parents, school districts and educational organizations.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Knight that Resolution No. 03-11 be adopted as presented.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers

Motion adopted.

4. **RESOLUTION NO. 04-11 RECOGNITION OF PATRIOT DAY**

In December of 2001, Congress authorized the President of the United States to designate September 11 of each year as "Patriot Day" to perpetuate the memory of those who perished in the attack on America and to pursue peace and justice in the world and security at home. Public schools are encouraged to hold appropriate Patriot Day ceremonies and activities, including a moment of silence beginning at 8:46 a.m. and flags being flown at half-staff on Patriot Day.

In support of the President's Resolution, the Riverside County Board of Education and the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools desire that the Board adopt a resolution designating Friday, September 10, 2010 as

"Patriot Day" for the Riverside County Office of Education. The Office will be holding appropriate Patriot Day ceremonies and activities, including a moment of silence, and flags being flown at half-staff on Patriot Day.

It was moved by Member Gibbel and seconded by Member Mediano that Resolution No. 04-11 be adopted as presented.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers

Motion adopted.

5. **RESOLUTION NO. 05-11, APPROVING PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY, DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT DEED, CONSENTING TO RECORDING OF DEED, AND DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO TAKE OTHER ACTIONS NECESSARY TO COMPLETE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY**

Approve final documents related to the purchase and acquisition of property located at 3909 12th St., Riverside, California.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Knight that Resolution No. 05-11 be adopted as presented.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers

Motion adopted.

6. **RESOLUTION NO. 06-11, REMUNERATION OF THE BOARD, DR. LISA A. CONYERS**

Member Conyers was absent from the July 14, 2010 regularly scheduled meeting due to illness. It was requested that the Riverside County Board of Education approve and adopt Resolution No. 06-11, approving the reason for her absence and order that she be paid for the meeting.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Mediano that Resolution No. 06-11 be adopted as presented.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers

Motion adopted.

7. **UNIQUE PROJECTS GRANT**

In 1981 the Riverside County Board of Education approved and established the Unique Projects Grant for teachers and instructional staff to apply for special funding to finance a unique project outside of existing program funds. Grants are funded on a year to year basis with no guarantee of continued funding in subsequent years, must align with RCOE's Mission/Vision/Goals and Pledge, and be designed to improve student achievement. The merit of all applications and grants awarded are at the discretion of the Riverside County Board of Education. Staff awarded funding projects are required to submit an End of the year Project report on the outcome and student's achievement from the grant.

It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Knight that the Riverside County Board of Education approve the recommendations of the committee as presented in awarding the Unique Projects Grants.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers

Motion adopted.

8. **APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (RCSBA)**

It was moved by Member Mediano and seconded by Member Gibbel that Member Knight be appointed as representative to the Riverside County School Boards Association for the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

5 Ayes: Members, Craig, Gibbel, Knight, Kroonen, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Conyers

Motion adopted.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Alternative Education Program Update
Dr. Diana Walsh-Reuss introduced Mr. Rick Collins who provided an update on the Alternative Education programs. Mr. Jimmy Shorters of the Van Horn Youth Center who provided an overview of the various activities at the facility.
2. Fiscal Update
Paul Jessup, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, presented the fiscal update as of July 22, 2010
3. Facility Update
Paul Jessup introduced Mr. Rollin Edmunds, Director II of Fiscal Services, who reviewed the facility update.
4. Legislative Update
Paul Jessup reviewed Sandy Silberstein's Legislative Update.
5. Introduction of Issues That May Be Addressed at Future Meetings
No issues were addressed.
6. President/Board Member/Superintendent Comments
No comments were made.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned in Open Session at 7:44 pm

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, September 8, 2010, 9:00 am - Board Room, 3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA 92501

RCOE CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

- 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

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.