

# RIVERSIDE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

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## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 8, 2014

9 a.m., Riverside County Office of Education, Board Room

3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA 92501

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## OPENING PROCEDURES

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Romero at 9:03 a.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Rainey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

County Board of Education Members in attendance

Ms. Elizabeth F. Romero, President, Trustee Area 6

Mr. Bruce Dennis, Vice-President, Trustee Area 4

Mr. Gerald Colapinto, Trustee Area 1

Mrs. Lynne D. Craig, Trustee Area 2

Dr. Susan J. Rainey, Trustee Area 3

Dr. Ralph R. Villani, Trustee Area 5

Dr. Jay Hoffman, Trustee Area 7

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* without the ability to transfer the time to another speaker. 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.

The following members of the public addressed the Board: Karen Henson, Scott Phillips, Di Anne McClenahan, Scott Levesque, Bill Stephens, Julie Paulie, Blessing Rellias, Danielle Coats, Maria Plaza and Lou Monville.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: It was moved by Member Dennis and seconded by Member Rainey that the agenda be approved as presented.

Vote: 7 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Craig, Dennis, Hoffman, Rainey, Romero and Villani.  
Motion carried.

## CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Consent Agenda Items #1-3 are considered routine and may be enacted by a single motion.

**Motion:** It was moved by Member Hoffman and seconded by Member Dennis to approve the Personnel Services and Donation items as presented.

**Vote:** 7 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Craig, Dennis, Hoffman, Rainey, Romero and Villani.  
Motion carried.

**Motion:** It was moved by Member Dennis and seconded by Member Craig to approve the Minutes of the December 11, 2013 meeting as presented.

**Vote:** 6 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Craig, Dennis, Hoffman, Rainey, and Romero.  
1 Abstention: Member Villani  
Motion carried.

### 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Board of Education, December 11, 2013.

### 2. PERSONNEL SERVICES

The Riverside County Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board approve the Certification List #CL 01-14 (Temporary County Certificates) as prepared by Mr. Steve Hovey, Chief Personnel Officer.

### 3. DONATION(S)

- The Division of Student Programs & Services, Special Education, received a donation from Olivia Willis-Henry (P.O. Box 9057, Calabasas, CA 91372) of an HP OfficeJet 4630e Printer (approximate value \$475) for use in the Special Education classroom at Pacific Avenue Elementary School.

## PUBLIC HEARING

### 1. PUBLIC HEARING - RIVERSIDE COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION - INTENT TO SEEK WAIVER OF CALIFORNIA EDUCATION CODE 4009 - TERM LIMITS

*Background Information:* The Riverside County Board of Education held a public hearing on its consideration to seek a waiver from the State Board of Education of the requirement that certain members of the Riverside County Committee on School District Organization ("SDO") be elected to four year terms of office pursuant to Education Code section 4009. The Board of Education considered requesting that approval of such a waiver be conditioned upon application of the waiver only to one of the two offices in each of the SDO Committee's Third and Fourth Supervisorial Districts, and that the waiver grant a one-time, two-year term of office for said positions. After the expiration of the two year term of office, the normal four-year term of office would be reinstated in accordance with Education Code section 4009. The hearing opened at 9:54 a.m. and closed at 9:55 a.m. with no public comments.

## ACTION ITEMS

### 1. ACTION ITEM 1 - DECISION ON MENIFEE VALLEY PREPARATORY SCHOOL CHARTER PETITION APPEAL

Petitioners for the Menifee Valley Preparatory School presented a charter petition for consideration by the Riverside County Board of Education on appeal of a denial by the Menifee Union School District Governing Board. The petition was reviewed pursuant to Education Code 47605.

The Riverside County Board of Education held a Public Hearing on November 13, 2013 to consider the terms of the proposed 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.

**Motion:** It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Rainey that the Board adopt the Findings of Fact and deny the Menifee Valley Preparatory School Charter Petition.

**Vote:** 6 Ayes: Members Craig, Dennis, Hoffman, Rainey, Romero, and Villani.  
1 Nay: Member Colapinto  
Motion carried.

**2. ACTION ITEM 2 - RESOLUTION NO 09-14 - INTENT TO SEEK WAIVER FROM STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION (RIVERSIDE COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION - TERM LIMITS)**

The Riverside County Board of Education held a Public Hearing regarding the Board's intention to seek a waiver of California Education Code section 4009 for a one-time, two-year term of office for only one of the two offices in both the Third and Fourth Supervisorial Districts serving the Riverside County Committee on School District Organization. Resolution No 09-14 formalizes the waiver request.

**Motion:** It was moved by Member Villani and seconded by Member Craig that Resolution No 09-14 be approved as presented.

**Vote:** 7 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Craig, Dennis, Hoffman, Rainey, Romero, and Villani.  
Motion carried.

**3. ACTION ITEM 3 - BUDGET REVISIONS - NOVEMBER 23 THROUGH DECEMBER 15, 2013**

Per the provisions of California Education Code Section 1280, the Board discussed and considered changes to the annual county school service fund budget of the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools reflecting the period of November 23, 2013 through December 15, 2013.

**Motion:** It was moved by Member Rainey and seconded by Member Craig that the revisions be approved as presented.

**Vote:** 7 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Craig, Dennis, Hoffman, Rainey, Romero, and Villani.  
Motion carried.

**4. ACTION ITEM 4 - SECOND READING - BOARD POLICY 0420.4 - CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORIZATION**

The First Reading of the referenced policy was presented at the December 11, 2013 meeting. Revisions to the policy incorporate Exhibit A, which delineate the requirements the Board places on county-wide charter schools that have been previously addressed in a Memorandum of Understanding.

**Motion:** It was moved by Member Dennis and seconded by Member Rainey that the Board Policy be revised and presented for a third reading action item at the February 12, 2014 meeting.

**Vote:** 7 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Craig, Dennis, Hoffman, Rainey, Romero, and Villani.  
Motion carried.

**5. ACTION ITEM 5 – MILO P. JOHNSON AWARD OF DISTINCTION**

Item tabled for February 12, 2014 meeting.

Motion: It was moved by Member Rainey and seconded by Member Hoffman that the naming of the Milo P. Johnson Award recipient be tabled for a future meeting.

Vote: 7 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Craig, Dennis, Hoffman, Rainey, Romero, and Villani.  
Motion carried.

**6. ACTION ITEM 6 – RESOLUTION NO. 08-14, SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH**

Resolution No. 08-14 proclaims the month of January 2014, as School Board Recognition Month in Riverside County.

Motion: It was moved by Member Dennis and seconded by Member Villani that Resolution No. 08-14 be approved as presented.

Vote: 7 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Craig, Dennis, Hoffman, Rainey, Romero and Villani.  
Motion carried.

**7. ACTION ITEM 7 – RESOLUTION NO. 10-14, REMUNERATION OF THE BOARD, DR. RALPH R. VILLANI**

Member Villani was absent from the December 11, 2013 regularly scheduled meeting due to illness. It was requested that the Riverside County Board of Education approve and adopt Resolution No. 10-14, approving the reason for his absence and order that he be paid for the meeting.

Motion: It was moved by Member Craig and seconded by Member Hoffman that Resolution No. 08-14 be approved as presented.

Vote: 6 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Craig, Dennis, Hoffman, Rainey, and Romero.  
1 Abstention: Member Villani.  
Motion carried.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**INTER DISTRICT TRANSFER APPEAL HEARING**

After hearing the appeal in closed session from 11:43 a.m. to 12:13 p.m.

First Motion: It was moved by Member Villani to deny the inter district transfer but the motion died due to a lack of a second motion.

Second Motion: It was moved by Member Dennis and seconded by Member Hoffman to approve Amanda Greenberg's inter district transfer appeal from the Perris Union HSD to the Temecula Valley USD for the 2013-14 school year.

Vote: 5 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Craig, Dennis, Hoffman, and Romero.  
1 Absent: Member Rainey.  
1 Nay: Member Villani.  
Motion carried.

**INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**1. Audit of Financial Statements and Supplementary Information Report**

The audit results were presented by Jeff Nigro, CPA, Nigro & Nigro PC., and were reviewed and received as information.

2. Quarterly Surplus Report

The Quarterly Surplus report was reviewed and received as information.

3. Facility Update

The Facility Update was reviewed and received as information.

4. Legislative Update

The Legislative Update was received as information.

5. Introduction of Issues That May Be Addressed at Future Meetings, President and Board Member Comments

Member Hoffman said he would like to make sure the Board Retreat is scheduled to give the Board more opportunities for intensive discussions.

Member Craig shared that she enjoyed the Board's visit to Imagine's Grand Opening and that she was impressed with the community support and participation from students. Sometime in the future she would like to hear Diana Asseier's opinion on the school. She also shared that CSBA recently named Senator Richard Roth their Legislator of the Year. It has been several years since CSBA has selected a legislator because they haven't been happy with the Senate's performance, or lack thereof. The presentation for Senator Roth will be held at RCOE's Conference Center on February 7 from 5-8 p.m. More information will be sent out to Board members soon.

Member Dennis agreed with Member Craig's comments about Senator Roth and he also said that it was remarkable that a freshman senator would be named. Member Dennis will be travelling along with Member Hoffman to NSBA's Advocacy Institute (formerly called the Federal Relations Network) from February 2-4, 2014.

President Romero wished all a Happy New Year and she asked that Mr. Jessup share her kudos on the good work done by staff on the charter appeal and the financial audit.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

## NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, February 12, 2014 - 9:00 a.m. - 3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA - Board Room.

## RCBE MEETINGS

All remaining meetings will be held at 3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA - Board Room. 9 a.m. start time

March 12, 2014

April 9, 2014

May 14, 2014

June 11, 2014

June 25, 2014

## RCOE EVENTS

February 1, 2014 – Academic Decathlon (Written Tests, SQ, Awards Ceremony), 7 a.m., Perris High School

March 1, 2014 – Mock Trial (Finals, Awards Ceremony), 9 a.m., 3:30 p.m., Riverside Historic Courthouse

March 12, 2014 - Spelling Bee, 9 a.m., Moreno Valley Conference Center

March 15, 2014 – History Day (Competition, Awards Ceremony), 7 a.m., 4 p.m., Ramona High School

April 2, 2014 – RIMS Inland Science Fair Awards, 6 p.m., Riverside Municipal Auditorium

## RCSS EVENTS

March 11, 2014 – Riverside County State of Education Address, 11:30 a.m., Renaissance Esmeralda

March 18, 2014 – Riverside County State of Education Address, 11:30 a.m., Riverside Convention Center

April 23, 2014 – Ninth Annual Student Academic Awards Dinner, 6 p.m., Riverside Convention Center

## OTHER EVENTS

April 5-7, 2014 – National School Boards Association (NSBA) Conference, New Orleans, Louisiana

## 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 92501.