

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

February 8, 2012

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 President Craig at 9:01 a.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Craig led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

County Board of Education Members

Mrs. Lynne D. Craig, President, Trustee Area 2

Mr. Gerald Colapinto, Vice President, Trustee Area 1

Dr. Lisa Conyers, Trustee Area 3

Mr. Bruce Dennis, Trustee Area 4

Dr. Vick Knight, Jr., Trustee Area 7 - Absent

Dr. Adolfo Mediano, Jr., Trustee Area 5

Mrs. Elizabeth R. Toledo, Trustee Area 6 – Absent

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.

Mr. Jose L. Pena, Jr. commented on the reopening of his case against the Riverside County Office of Education by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

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

It was moved by Member Colapinto and seconded by Member Mediano that the agenda be approved.

5 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Conyers, Craig, Dennis, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Knight and Toledo

Motion adopted.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Consent Agenda Items #1-3 are considered routine and may be enacted by a single motion. It was moved by Member Dennis and seconded by Member Mediano that the consent agenda items be approved as presented.

5 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Conyers, Craig, Dennis, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Knight and Toledo

Motion adopted.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Board of Education, January 18, 2012.

2. **PERSONNEL SERVICES**

- The Riverside County Superintendent of Schools recommended that the Board approve the Certification List #CL 2-12 (Temporary County Certificates) as presented.

3. **DONATION**

- Donation of 16 new small engines and training materials to the Career Technical Education (CTE) class at Elsinore High School to teach the small engine class. CTE is responsible for the freight charges totaling \$128. The estimated value of each engine is \$550 - \$625 (\$8,800 – \$10,000).
- Donation in the amount of \$680 from the Western Municipal Water District to be used by Alternative Education's Jurupa Community School to purchase parts required to build a solar boat for the Solar Cup 2012 competition.

ACTION

1. **ACTION ITEM 1 – RESOLUTION NO. 12-12, REMUNERATION OF THE BOARD, VICK KNIGHT**

Member Knight was absent from the January 18, 2012 regularly scheduled meeting due to illness. It is requested that the Riverside County Board of Education approve and adopt Resolution No. 12-12, approving the reason for his absence and order that he be paid for the meeting.

It was moved by Member Mediano and seconded by Member Colapinto that the Riverside County Board of Education approve Resolution No. 12-12 as presented.

5 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Conyers, Craig, Dennis, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Knight and Toledo

Motion adopted.

2. **ACTION ITEM 2 – BOARD POLICY AD HOC COMMITTEE**

At the January 18, 2012 Board workshop, the Board requested the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to review and update Board Policies relating to Interdistrict Transfer Appeals and Expulsion Appeals.

It is moved by Member Conyers and seconded by Member Dennis that Members Colapinto, Dennis and Mediano be appointed to serve on the committee.

5 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Conyers, Craig, Dennis, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Knight and Toledo

CLOSED SESSION - EXPULSION APPEAL HEARING

1. CLOSED SESSION – EXPULSION APPEAL HEARING #80110E

After meeting in Closed Session from 9:14 a.m. to 10:26 a.m. to hear Expulsion Appeal #010112E, Open Session was called to order at 11:35 a.m.

It was moved by Member Colapinto and seconded by Member Dennis that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education in Expulsion Appeal Case #080110E is to REMAND the matter to the Governing Board of the Beaumont Unified School District for reconsideration.

4 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Craig, Dennis, and Mediano

1 Nay: Member Conyers

2 Absent: Members Knight and Toledo

Motion adopted.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Alternative Education Update

Dr. Diana Walsh-Reuss, Riverside County Associate Superintendent of Schools; Rick Collins, Director, Alternative Education and Sharon Baskett, Director, Children's Services Unit provided a presentation on the California School Age Families Education (Cal-SAFE) program. Alternative Education and Children's Services Units collaboratively offer services to young parents who have not completed their education.

2. Career Technical Education Update:

Dr. Nancy Pavelsky, Executive Director, Career Technical Education, provided an update on CTE's affiliation agreements which are contracts between the Riverside County Office of Education and business partners that agree to allow RCOE's CTE students to use their places of businesses to train for specific job skills.

3. Fiscal Update

Mr. Bill Spires, Director, Fiscal Services, reviewed the fiscal update of budget transfers and adjustments as of January 22, 2012.

4. Facility Update

Mr. Paul Jessup presented an update on current facility projects of the Riverside County Office of Education.

5. Legislative Update

Mr. Paul Jessup reported on recent legislative activity.

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

Member Dennis requested a presentation on Riverside County Office of Education Special Education programs.

7. President/Board Member/Superintendent Comments

President Craig congratulated Member Conyers for being recognized as 2012 Citizen of the Year by the Moreno Valley Chamber of Commerce for her many contributions to the community. President Craig also recognized guest Sharmistha Banerjee, Ph.D., Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence at the Moreno Valley College. **President Craig** and noted that the Cyberbullying topic be covered at the next Board workshop. Member Conyers appreciated the recognition by the Board of her award and guest, Dr. Banerjee.

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Recess: 12:25 p.m. – 1:10 pm

RECONVENE – EXPULSION APPEAL

1. CLOSED SESSION – EXPULSION APPEAL HEARING #010112E

After meeting in Closed Session from 1:11 p.m. to 1:15 p.m. to review the Written Decision of Expulsion Appeal #010112E, Open Session was called to order at 1:16 p.m.

It was moved by Member Dennis and seconded by Member Colapinto that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education is to approve the written decision submitted by legal counsel of expulsion appeal #010112E with one correction on page 2, line 12, change word from affirm to remand.

5 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Conyers, Craig, Dennis, and Mediano

2 Absent: Members Knight and Toledo

Motion adopted.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:17 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, March 14, 2012, 9:00 a.m. – Board Room, 3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA

RCBE MEETINGS:

April 11, 2012 – 9 a.m., Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside

May 9, 2012 – 9 a.m., Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside

June 13, 2012 – 9 a.m., Riverside County Board of Education Meeting – Riverside

RCOE EVENTS:

March 17, 2012 – History Day Competition and Awards – Riverside

March 21, 2012 – Spelling Bee and Awards – Moreno Valley

April 11, 2012 – Riverside County Student Academic Awards Dinner – Riverside

April 26, 2012 – Professional Development Conference – Moreno Valley

May 8, 2012 – Celebrating Educators – Palm Springs

May 17, 2012 – Employee Recognition – Moreno Valley

OTHER EVENTS:

December 1-3, 2011 – CSBA Conference – San Diego, CA

April 21-23, 2012 – NSBA Conference – Boston, MA