

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

March 14, 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 9:04 a.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Member Conyers 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  
Dr. Adolfo Mediano, Jr., Trustee Area 5  
Mrs. Elizabeth R. Toledo, Trustee Area 6

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 Colapinto and seconded by Member Dennis that the agenda be approved.

7 Ayes

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 Toledo and seconded by Member Knight that the consent agenda items be approved with a modification, per Member Conyers, on page 3 of the February 8, 2012 meeting minutes under Information Item 7, President/Board Member/Superintendent Comments. The second sentence to read: President Craig also recognized guest Sharmistha Banerjee, Ph.D., Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence at the Moreno Valley College. President Craig noted that the Cyberbullying topic be covered at the next Board workshop.

7 Ayes  
Motion adopted.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Riverside County Board of Education, February 8, 2012.

2. **PERSONNEL SERVICES**

The Riverside County Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board approve the Certification List #CL 3-12 (Temporary County Certificates) as prepared by Mr. Steve Hovey, Chief Personnel Officer.

3. **DONATIONS**

1. \$2,595 from Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation Toolbox for Education grant, to be used by Alternative Education's Indio Regional Learning Center for a vegetable and reflection garden project.
2. \$100 from Perris Tires & Wheels Inc. for the Perris Head Start programs upcoming Daddy & Me Week scheduled for April 23-27. As part of Federal Mandate regulations, this event encourages fathers, grandfathers, or male guardians to participate in various activities with their children.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION

1. **VAL VERDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT – NATIONAL ADVANCED PLACEMENT MID-SIZED DISTRICT OF THE YEAR**

The Riverside County Board of Education commended the Val Verde Unified School District's Advanced Placement Program for its recognition by the College Board.

## INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER APPEAL

1. **INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE APPEAL – ETHAN MURPHY**

An Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing was requested for Ethan Murphy from the Menifee Union School District to the Murrieta Valley Unified School District for the 2012-13 school year.

It was moved by Member Conyers and seconded by Member Knight that the Interdistrict Transfer for **Ethan Murphy** be approved for the 2012-13 school year.

3 Ayes: Members Conyers, Knight, and Mediano  
4 Nays: Members Colapinto, Craig, Dennis and Toledo  
Motion not adopted.

2. **INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE APPEAL – ZYA PACE**

An Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing was requested for Zya Pace from the Menifee Union School District to the Murrieta Valley Unified School District for the 2012-13 school year.

It was moved by Member Dennis and seconded by Member Conyers that the Interdistrict Transfer for **Zya Pace** be approved for the 2012-13 school year.

7 Ayes  
Motion adopted.

3. **INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE APPEAL – HAILEY BLASIC**

An Interdistrict Transfer Appeal Hearing was requested for Hailey Blasic from the Menifee Union School District to the Murrieta Valley Unified School District for the 2012-13 school year.

It was moved by Member Toledo and seconded by Member Dennis that the Interdistrict Transfer for **Hailey Blasic** be approved for the 2012-13 school year.

7 Ayes

Motion adopted.

**ACTION**

1. **SECOND INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT**

The Second Interim Financial Report includes a positive certification of the financial condition of the Riverside County Office of Education as of January 31, 2012. Based on current projections, Riverside County Office of Education will meet our financial obligations for the current fiscal and subsequent two fiscal years.

It was moved by Member Toledo and seconded by Member Mediano that the Riverside County Board of Education approve the Second Interim Financial Report as presented.

7 Ayes

Motion Adopted.

2. **MILLO P. JOHNSON AWARD OF DISTINCTION**

In 1999, RCOE created the annual Milo P. Johnson Award of Distinction, to honor an individual who demonstrates and possesses traits and characteristics such as continuously seeking opportunities to innovate, improve, and expand their services; understanding their role in contributing to student success, and providing service that is prompt, courteous, honest and accurate in anticipating and responding to the needs of those we serve. The award is designed to honor one RCOE employee who continually exhibits extraordinary service and support in all that they do.

The Riverside County Board of Education sub-committee met on February 8, 2012 and selected June Miller, Administrator's Secretary, Teacher Support Center, Educational Services as the recipient of this award.

It was moved by Member Mediano and seconded by Member Dennis that the Riverside County Board of Education approve the selection of June Miller as the recipient of the Milo P. Johnson Award of Distinction.

7 Ayes

Motion adopted.

3. **RESOLUTION NO. 13-12, REMUNERATION OF THE BOARD, VICK KNIGHT**

Member Knight was absent from the February 8, 2012 regularly scheduled meeting due to illness. It is requested that the Riverside County Board of Education approve and adopt Resolution No. 13-12, approving the reason for his absence and order that he be paid for the meeting.

It was moved by Member Toledo and seconded by Member Colapinto that the Riverside County Board of Education approve Resolution No. 13-12 as presented.

6 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Conyers, Craig, Dennis, Mediano, and Toledo

1 Abstention: Member Knight

4. **RESOLUTION NO. 14-12, REMUNERATION OF THE BOARD, ELIZABETH TOLEDO**

Member Toledo was absent from the February 8, 2012 regularly scheduled meeting due to hardship. It is requested that the Riverside County Board of Education approve and adopt Resolution No. 14-12, approving the reason for her absence and order that she be paid for the meeting.

It was moved by Member Colapinto and seconded by Member Dennis that the Riverside County Board of Education approve Resolution No. 14-12 as presented.

6 Ayes: Members Colapinto, Conyers, Craig, Dennis, Knight and Mediano  
1 Abstention: Member Toledo

5. **COUNTY NOMINATION FOR CSBA DELEGATE ASSEMBLY – REGION 18: RIVERSIDE AND IMPERIAL COUNTIES**

The Delegate Assembly provides policy direction for the association, elects officers and directors, and ensures that the association reflects the interests of school districts and county offices of education.

It was moved by Member Toledo and seconded by Member Dennis that the Riverside County Board of Education Nominate Susan Manger of Imperial County as Region 18 County Delegate for the California School Boards Association.

7 Ayes  
Motion Adopted.

**INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. **Fiscal Update**

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

2. **Legislative Update**

Mr. Paul Jessup reported on recent legislative activity.

3. **Introduction of Issues That May Be Addressed at Future Meetings**

Presentation on the Riverside County Office of Education Special Education program was requested for the April 11, 2012 meeting of the county board.

4. **President/Board Member/Superintendent Comments**

Member Toledo reported that she attended the National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) Building Healthy Communities Summit and the NALEO Statewide Policy Institute on Higher Education Success and College Completion Summit. Member Knight noted that it was good to be back. President Craig shared information regarding a possible joint effort between Riverside Community College, Alford and Riverside Unified School Districts to enroll students in college. President Craig also commended the RCOE CTE Dental program for their ability to provide quality dental services at a reduced cost.

**RECESS**

Recess: 10:41 a.m. – 11:36 a.m.

## ACTION

### 6. ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY (LEA) PLAN

*Presented by:* Dr. Diana Walsh Reuss, Riverside County Associate Superintendent of Schools

*Background Information:* Alternative Education is required to submit a three year Local Educational Agency Plan as a result of Program Improvement. The LEA Plan is developed by the program after detailed review by the DAIT Team's review of Alternative Education Governance, Administration, Instruction, Student Services, and Fiscal Operation. The DAIT Team recommends high leverage actions for an improvement plan and identifies specific activities, time-lines and resources. The LEA Plan is submitted to the California Department of Education.

It was moved by Member Toledo and seconded by Member Mediano that the Riverside County Board of Education approve the Local Education Agency Plan as presented.

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

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Knight

Motion Adopted

## CLOSED SESSION - EXPULSION APPEAL HEARING

### 1. CLOSED SESSION – EXPULSION APPEAL HEARING #010212E

After meeting in Closed Session from 12:20 p.m. to 12:58 p.m. to hear Expulsion Appeal #010212E, Open Session was called to order at 1:42 p.m.

It was moved by Member Toledo and seconded by Member Dennis that the decision of the Riverside County Board of Education in Expulsion Appeal Case #010212E is to REMAND the matter to the Governing Board of the Moreno Valley Unified School District for a rehearing and reconsideration due to the existence of relevant and material evidence which could not have produced, or which was improperly excluded, at the hearing. The student shall not be reinstated pending the reconsideration. The final decision on the reconsideration shall take place within the next 30 days, unless extended by agreement of the parties.

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

2 Absent: Members Colapinto and Knight

Motion Adopted

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

## NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, April 11, 2012, 9:00 a.m. – Board Room, 3939 Thirteenth St., Riverside, CA

## RCBE MEETINGS:

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