

RIVERSIDE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

September 9, 2015 – 9:00 a.m.

Riverside County Office of Education – 4th Floor Board Room
3939 Thirteenth Street
Riverside, CA 92502

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Riverside County Board of Education

Susan J. Rainey, Ed.D, President	Trustee Area 3
Wendel W. Tucker, Ph.D., Vice President	Trustee Area 2
Jeanie B. Corral	Trustee Area 1
Bruce N. Dennis	Trustee Area 4
Jay N. Hoffman, Ed.D.	Trustee Area 7
Elizabeth F. Romero	Trustee Area 6
Ralph R. Villani, Ed.D.	Trustee Area 5

Riverside County Superintendent of Schools

Kenneth M. Young, ex officio secretary and executive officer of the Board

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Tucker at 9:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Romero led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Member Rainey was absent. Member Villani arrived at 9:17 a.m.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: It was moved by Member Corral and seconded by Member Romero to approve the agenda as presented.

Vote: 5 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Romero, and Tucker.
2 Absent: Members Rainey and Villani.
Motion adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

This item was 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 required 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 items, 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.

Fatima Cristerna-Adame and Barbara Hale spoke during Public Comments.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

On behalf of the Board, Vice-President Tucker presented Member Dennis with a gift of appreciation for his hard work and dedication to the Board and the Riverside County Office of Education.

AGENDA ITEMS:

CONSENT ITEMS

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

CONSENT ITEM 1

Subject: Minutes of the Riverside County Board of Education (RCBE) Regular Meeting of August 12, 2015.

Consent Item 1 Attachment: RCBE Meeting Minutes of August 12, 2015

Motion: It was moved by Member Romero and seconded by Member Dennis to approve the Minutes of the August 12, 2015 meeting with the following amendment: add Member Dennis’ request to add the title of Steven Michael Levin’s article in response to the Diane Ravitch Los Angeles Times Op-Ed piece.

Vote: 6 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Romero, Tucker, and Villani.
1 Absent: Member Rainey.
Motion adopted.

CONSENT ITEM 2 (DOC)

Subject: Temporary County Certificates

Consent Item 2 Attachment: Certification List #CL 09-15

CONSENT ITEM 3 (DOC)

Subject: Donations

Subject: \$7,000 from various sponsors for the Reducing Chronic Absenteeism Regional Conference.

Motion: It was moved by Member Corral and seconded by Member Romero to approve the Temporary County Certificates and Donations as presented.

Vote: 6 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Romero, Tucker, and Villani.
1 Absent: Member Rainey.
Motion adopted.

ACTION ITEMS

ACTION ITEM 1 (DOC)

Subject: River Springs Charter School – Material Revision

Background Information: On June 10, 2015, the Riverside County Board of Education conducted a public hearing regarding a material revision to the River Springs Charter School petition. River Springs Charter School is requesting approval of a material revision to the charter related to governance, fiscal, facilities and programmatic policies and procedures. Staff will provide an analysis of the proposal to the Board.

Action Item 1 Attachment: RCOE Staff Report; RSCS Material Revision; RSCS Material Revision with edits highlighted; Changes at a Glance grid

Motion: It was moved by Member Dennis and seconded by Member Corral to Adopt the Findings of Fact presented in the Staff Report and approve the material revisions to the River Springs Charter School petition as presented.

Vote: 6 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Romero, Tucker and Villani.
1 Absent: Member Rainey.
Motion adopted.

ACTION ITEM 2 (DOC)

Subject: Resolution No. 03-16 To Establish Appropriations Limit Pursuant to Article XIII-B of the California Constitution (GANN Amendment)

Background Information: California Education Code Section 42132 requires that on or before October 15 of each year, the county board of education to adopt a resolution at a regular or special meeting to identify, pursuant to Division 9, commencing with Section 7900, of Title 1 of the Government Code, the estimated appropriations limit for the district for the current fiscal year and the actual appropriations limit for the district for the preceding fiscal year. Riverside County Board of Education Resolution Number 03-16 has been prepared to meet the Board's constitutional and statutory responsibilities.

Action Item 2 Attachment: Resolution No. 03-16; GANN Spreadsheet

Motion: It was moved by Member Villani and seconded by Member Hoffman to approve Resolution No. 03-16 to Establish Appropriations Limit Pursuant to Article XIII-B of the California Constitution, also known as the GANN Amendment as presented.

Vote: 6 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Romero, Tucker and Villani.
1 Absent: Member Rainey.
Motion adopted.

ACTION ITEM 3 (DOC)

Subject: Career Technical Education WASC Accreditation Third Year Progress Report

Background Information: Regional Occupational Centers/Programs (ROC/Ps) are established to provide vocational education opportunities to students. The county superintendent, with the consent of the State Board of Education, has discretionary authority to establish and maintain an ROC/P for vocational education purposes. As a component of WASC's Three-Year Term Progress Report, the CTE unit must provide a minute order documenting board approval of the report. Upon approval, the Three-Year Term Progress Report will be complete.

Action Item 3 Attachment: WASC Third Year Report; WASC Power Point

Motion: It was moved by Member Romero and seconded by Member Corral to approve the Career Technical Education WASC Accreditation Third Year Progress Report as presented.

Vote: 6 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Romero, Tucker and Villani.
1 Absent: Member Rainey.
Motion adopted.

ACTION ITEM 4 (DOC)

Subject: Alternative Education Course Approval

Background Information: Riverside County Board of Education Policy 6143 requires the Board to adopt a course of instruction for students in RCOE programs. The Riverside County Superintendent of Schools is requesting approval of courses by the Riverside County Board of Education. Each course is designed to meet RCOE and California Department of Education graduation requirements. Once adopted each course will be added to the Alternative Education Course of Study.

Action Item 4 Attachment: AE Course List

Motion: It was moved by Member Hoffman and seconded by Member Dennis to approve the Alternative Education Courses as presented.

Vote: 6 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Romero, Tucker and Villani.
1 Absent: Member Rainey.

Motion adopted.

ACTION ITEM 5 (DOC)

Subject: Budget Revisions, August 1 through August 31, 2015

Background Information: Per the provisions of California Education Code Section 1280, revision in excess of \$25,000 to the annual county school services fund budget of the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools reflecting the period of August 1 through August 31, 2015 will be submitted to the Riverside County Board of Education for discussion and approval.

Action Item 5 Attachment: None

Motion: It was moved by Member Corral and seconded by Member Villani to approve the Budget Revisions as presented.

Vote: 6 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Romero, Tucker and Villani.
1 Absent: Member Rainey.
Motion adopted.

ACTION ITEM 6 (DOC)

Subject: Written Decision on Expulsion Appeal #081215E

Background Information: After hearing Expulsion Appeal #081215E at the August 12, 2015 meeting in Open Session, the Board will vote on the Written Decision as provided by legal counsel.

Action Item 6 Attachment: None

Motion: It was moved by Member Corral and seconded by Member Romero to approve the Written Decision on Expulsion Appeal #081215E as submitted by legal counsel.

Vote: 6 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Romero, Tucker and Villani.
1 Absent: Member Rainey.
Motion adopted.

ACTION ITEM 7

Subject: 2015 Director-at-Large, African American, and County Nomination Form

Background Information: The Board will consider submitting nominations and letters of recommendation for the three vacant CSBA Director positions. The elections will take place at CSBA's Delegate Assembly meeting in December. Directors-at-large serve two-year terms and take office immediately upon the close of CSBA's Annual Education Conference.

Action Item 7 Attachment: CSBA Nomination Form

Motion: It was moved by Member Dennis and seconded by Member Romero to nominate Heidi A. Weiland, El Dorado County Board of Education, for the CSBA County - Director-at-Large position.

Vote: 6 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Romero, Tucker and Villani.
1 Absent: Member Rainey.
Motion adopted.

INFORMATION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEM 1 (DOC)

Subject: Unaudited Actual Ending Fund Balances

The Board received an update regarding the 2014-2015 Unaudited Actual Ending Fund Balances.

INFORMATION ITEM 2 (DOC)

Subject: Legislative Update

The Board received its monthly report of legislative and state agency activities.

INFORMATION ITEM 3 (DOC)

Subject: First Reading Board Bylaw 9320 – Meetings and Notices

The Board reviewed revised bylaw 9320 reflecting the change in meeting times for the 2015-2016 year.

INFORMATION ITEM 4

Subject: Materials/Articles Provided by Board Members

The Board received an article submitted by Member Villani.

INFORMATION ITEM 5

Subject: Board President and Member Comments and Future Agenda Items

Member Villani said he had an interesting drive in. He was caught in an accident in Moreno Valley. He is pleased that the meetings are starting at 9 a.m. again but suggested that an extra thirty minutes would help with the morning commute.

Member Hoffman said he was also caught in traffic and that perhaps the extra thirty minutes would be helpful.

Member Dennis requested that for the Board Retreat we have a charter presentation from the State Board of Education this board has never discussed why their decision was overturned 11-0. He would like Sue Burr to present the state's charter approval process. He would like Superintendent Young, President Rainey and Deputy Superintendent Jessup to discuss a potential presentation by Sue. He also requested that board members view other county board's meeting minutes and consider having more than the public speaker's names put into the minutes. He would like a brief synopsis of what public comments are made by each person. Also, he said he went through minutes from a few counties and local districts and when a member of the public has comments they at least a brief synopsis of what they said instead of just their name as this board has done. He requested that other board members review minutes and provide input. Finally, he said he went through the board's current web page and that it currently only lists one year of minutes and that he would like to see an archive link to minutes added.

Member Romero wished everyone a wonderful day.

Member Corral shared that there was an article in this past Sunday's Press Enterprise that the former trustee for area one, Jerry Colapinto, celebrated his fiftieth wedding anniversary with wife Eileen. She said it is a major milestone and that she has actually been married longer but it was nice to see a picture of the two. She is looking forward to the conference in Monterey and one of the items she requested for the Board retreat is to review the protocols for the board leadership selection process.

Vice-President Tucker had no comments and the meeting went into recess at 9:56 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

INTER DISTRICT TRANSFER APPEAL HEARINGS

Subject: #1516-12, Banning USD to Beaumont USD

Subject: #1516-13, Romoland SD to Menifee Union SD

OPEN SESSION REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

At 11:10 a.m. the meeting reconvened in Open Session.

Vice-President Tucker recommended to staff that all participants in IDT hearings arrive at 10:30 a.m. even though closed session won't start until 11 a.m. When there are multiple hearings, they will have appointments as done in the past.

At 11:11 a.m., Vice-President Tucker announced the actions taken in Closed Session.

1. In the matter of **INTER DISTRICT TRANSFER APPEAL HEARING #1516-12** from the Banning Unified School District to the Beaumont Unified School District

Motion: It was moved by Member Corral and seconded by Member Dennis to grant the Inter District Transfer from the Banning Unified School District to the Beaumont Unified School District for the 2015-16 school year.

Vote: 6 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Romero, Tucker and Villani.
1 Absent: Member Rainey.
Motion adopted.

2. In the matter of **INTER DISTRICT TRANSFER APPEAL HEARING #1516-13** from the Romoland School District to the Menifee Union School District.

Motion: It was moved by Vice President Tucker and seconded by Member Romero to grant the parent's request for a postponement to the October 14, 2015 meeting.

Vote: 6 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Romero, Tucker and Villani.
1 Absent: Member Rainey.
Motion adopted.

ADJOURNMENT