

RIVERSIDE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 24, 2015 – 4:00 p.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

Bruce N. Dennis, President	Trustee Area 4
Susan J. Rainey, Ed.D, Vice President	Trustee Area 3
Jeanie B. Corral	Trustee Area 1
Jay N. Hoffman, Ed.D.	Trustee Area 7
Elizabeth F. Romero	Trustee Area 6
Wendel W. Tucker, Ph.D.	Trustee Area 2
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 President Dennis at 4:17 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Villani led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Members Dennis, Corral, Hoffman, Tucker and Villani were in attendance. Members Rainey and Romero were absent.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: It was moved by Member Corral and seconded by Member Tucker that the agenda be approved.

Vote: 5 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Tucker, and Villani.

2 Absent: Members Rainey and Romero.

Motion adopted.

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 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 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.

Barbara Hale spoke during Public Comments.

AGENDA ITEMS:

ACTION ITEMS

ACTION ITEM 1

Subject: Adoption of the Riverside County Office of Education 2015-2016 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP)

Background Information: Education Code Section 52066 requires that on or before July 1, 2014, the county superintendent of schools develop and present to the county board of education for adoption a local control and accountability plan. The Riverside County Office of Education 2015-2016 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) has been developed per the provisions of all applicable Education Code sections. A public hearing was held on June 10, 2015 regarding the specific actions and proposed expenditures of the RCOE Plan. Upon adoption, the Plan will be filed with the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Motion: It was moved by Member Villani and seconded by Member Corral that the RCOE 2015-2016 LCAP be approved as presented.

Vote: 5 Ayes: Members Corral, Dennis, Hoffman, Tucker, and Villani.

2 Absent: Members Rainey and Romero.

Motion adopted.

ACTION ITEM 2

Subject: Adoption of the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools 2015-2016 County School Service Fund Budget for the Riverside County Office of Education.

Background Information: On or before July 1 of each fiscal year, the county board of education is required to adopt the annual budget for the budget year. The budget has been prepared by the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools in the form prescribed and furnished by the Superintendent of Public Instruction and is the county school service fund budget for the Riverside County Office of Education. On June 10, 2015, a public hearing was held on the proposed budget. Upon adoption, the budget will be filed with the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

President Dennis shared his objection of the Governmental Affairs budget of \$350,000 and the Events budget of \$541,000. He said he understands that it's a fraction of the total budget but that the cost for events should be significantly reduced next year to return the money to classrooms. He said the functions have value and should continue, but at a more reasonable expense because \$78,000 per event, after receiving additional sponsorships for seven events, is excessive. He recognizes that the Board has little influence in the process of budget development but that he would like to see changes made in these two expenses. Member Villani disagreed that the cost is excessive.

Motion: It was moved by Member Tucker and seconded by Member Hoffman that the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools 2015-2016 School Service Fund Budget for the Riverside County Office of Education be approved as presented.

Vote: 4 Ayes: Members Corral, Hoffman, Tucker, and Villani.
1 Nay: Member Dennis
2 Absent: Members Rainey and Romero.
Motion adopted.

INFORMATION ITEMS

INFORMATION ITEM 1

Subject: Legislative Update

The Board received the Legislative Update.

INFORMATION ITEM 2

Subject: BoardDocs Presentation

The Board received a BoardDocs presentation.

President Dennis asked for member comments and Member Villani requested a report of the Board's support of charter schools – a record of approvals and denials of charter schools. President Dennis suggested that the report be separated into three categories: dependent charters (locally funded), independent charters (direct funded) and district charter appeals.

Member Hoffman says he supports the charter school movement and that they aren't very different from traditional elementary through high schools except that the charter movement has taken advantage of the flexibility and the opportunity to move into other areas, within an appropriate realm. He thinks it's healthy for all schools.

Member Tucker said he wants to compliment the staff that presented on the LCAP and budget today. Not only the brief presentations from today's meeting, but all of the material leading up to this so that the Board could make quick decisions. For future meetings, he would like an opportunity to compliment staff after presentations are made. He wishes everybody a happy 4th of July in the celebration of our country.

President Dennis added that both the LCAP and the budget were very transparent and easy to look at. The budget was a much improved process from last year. He shared that CSBA and CCBE are finally going to start giving county board policy updates. They expect to start releasing updates by the end of the year.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.