

**RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
 MONDAY, MAY 6, 2013
 BOARD ROOM
 6735 MAGNOLIA AVENUE, RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA**

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mrs. Cloud, Board President, called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mrs. Gayle Cloud, President; Dr. Charles L. Beaty, Vice President; Mrs. Kathy Allavie, Clerk; Mr. Tom Hunt, Member; and Mrs. Patricia Lock-Dawson, Member.

Also present were District Superintendent, Dr. Rick L. Miller, members of the staff, and other interested citizens.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON CLOSED SESSION MATTERS

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 4:30 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Consideration of Pupil Services Matters Pursuant to Education Code Sections 35146 and 48918
2. Conference With Labor Negotiator Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
 District Representative: Rick L. Miller, Ph.D., District Superintendent
 Employee Organizations: Riverside City Teachers Association
 California School Employees Association
 Management, Confidential, and Supervisory
 Employees
 Superintendent, Deputy and Assistant
 Superintendents
3. Consideration of Public Employee Appointment Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
 Title: Middle School Principals and Assistant Superintendent
4. Consideration of Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 5:31 p.m. Mrs. Cloud announced that the following actions were taken during Closed Session:

It was moved by Mrs. Allavie and seconded by Dr. Beaty and unanimously approved by members present that Administrative Employee #004248 will be given notice pursuant to Education Code 44951, and will be assigned to a classroom teacher position for the 2013-14 school year.

It was moved by Dr. Beaty and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and unanimously approved by members present that the following staffing changes will begin July 1, 2013. Mr. Raul Ayala, is being promoted to Middle School Principal at Chemawa Middle School; Mr. Sean Curtin will be transferred to Amelia Earhart Middle School; Mr. Coleman Kells,

will be transferred to University Heights Middle School; and Dr. David Haglund, is being promoted to Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Support, K-12.

RIVERSIDE POLYTECHNIC HIGH SCHOOL ARMY JROTC COLOR GUARD PRESENTATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag was led by Rylee Burke, 6th grade Benjamin Franklin Elementary School student.

STUDENT PERFORMANCE

Riverside Polytechnic High School student, Israel Tucker, Pianist, performed for the Board of Education.

SECTION A – PRESENTATIONS

A.1 Recognition of RUSD’s National History Day – California Team and Alternates

A.2 Recognition of Riverside Unified School District Students Who Qualified for the Destination Imagination Global Finals

SECTION B – REPORTS BY HIGH SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES

B.1 Reports presented by John W. North, Riverside Polytechnic, Ramona High Schools, and Educational Options/Riverside Virtual School Student Board Representatives.

SECTION C – PUBLIC INPUT

The following individuals addressed the Board of Education: Mr. Steve Anderson discussed his concerns regarding the Home Hospital Temporary Disability Program at Martin Luther King High School, and Ms. Jean Anderson mentioned her concerns related to the potential closing of Riverside Adult School.

SECTION D – DISTRICT EMPLOYEE GROUP REPORT

D.1 RCTA Presentation by Mr. Tim Martin, President, Riverside City Teachers Association

SECTION E – SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

E.1 Board Instruction Subcommittee Report

The Board of Education received a report from Mrs. Lock-Dawson regarding the Board Instruction Subcommittee.

E.2 Board Student Activities Subcommittee Report

The Board of Education received a report from Mrs. Allavie regarding the Board Student Activities Subcommittee.

E.3 Board Communications Subcommittee Report

The Board of Education received a report from Mrs. Allavie regarding the Board Communications Subcommittee.

SECTION F – CONSENT

Approval of the Consent Calendar was moved by Mrs. Allavie and seconded by Mr. Hunt and unanimously approved by members present, with the exception of Items F.9, F.10, and F.15 which were pulled for discussion. Items in the Consent Calendar have

been published with the agenda and copies are on file in the District administrative offices.

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION

F.9 APPROVAL OF FURLOUGH PAYBACK BETWEEN RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND MANAGEMENT, CONFIDENTIAL, AND SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES

F.10 APPROVAL OF FURLOUGH PAYBACK BETWEEN RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE SUPERINTENDENT, DEPUTY AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS, AND BOARD MEMBERS

The Items were moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and unanimously approved by members present.

F.15 CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENT ORDER CE 2012/13-16

The Item was moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and approved by a 4 to 1 vote with Mrs. Cloud abstaining.

SECTION G – REPORT/DISCUSSION

G.1 Disclosure of Tentative Agreements Between Riverside Unified School District and Its Employees Represented by the California School Employees Association, Chapter 506

Mr. Michael Fine, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services and Governmental Relations, stated that this item represents the public disclosure of the terms and conditions, including financial impact, of Tentative Agreements for employees represented by the California School Employees Association, Chapter 506.

G.2 Riverside STEM High School – Update

Dr. Bill Ermert, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services 7-12, introduced Mr. Dale Moore, Principal, Riverside STEM Academy, who reviewed a PowerPoint and provided a brief update on the progress in the expansion of the high school division of the Riverside STEM Academy.

G.3 Overview of Transfers Within the Riverside Unified School District

Mr. Tim Walker, Executive Director, Pupil Services/SELPA, reviewed a PowerPoint which provided information explaining the different types of transfer options available to parents and students who reside within the geographical boundaries of the Riverside Unified School District, as well as those parents and students from other districts that are interested in attending RUSD schools.

The Board took a recess from 8:12 to 8:24 p.m.

SECTION H – ACTION

H.1 Resolution No. 2012/13-48 – Resolution of the Board of Education of the Riverside Unified School District Approving the Layoff of Classified Personnel

Mrs. Susan Mills, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, stated that staff is recommending that the Board of Education adopt Resolution No. 2012/13-48 – Approving the Layoff of Classified Personnel.

The item was moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded by Dr. Beaty and unanimously approved by members present to approve Resolution No. 2012/13-48.

H.2 New High School Course Proposal: STEM Research Methodologies

Dr. Ermert introduced Mr. Moore who reviewed a PowerPoint regarding the New High School Course Proposal: STEM Research Methodologies that was being submitted for Board approval.

The item was moved by Dr. Beaty and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and unanimously approved by members present to approve the STEM Research Methodologies course as submitted.

H.3 New High School Course Proposals for Three Visual and Performing Arts Courses

Dr. Ermert introduced Ms. Kelli Dower, Instructional Services Specialist, K-12 Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA), who discussed the PowerPoint related to the three new high school Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) Courses that were being submitted for approval.

The item was moved by Mrs. Allavie and seconded by Mr. Hunt and unanimously approved by members present to approve the three Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) courses as submitted.

H.4 New High School Course Proposals for Two Mathematics Courses

Dr. Ermert introduced Ms. Anne Marie Montgomery, Instructional Services Specialist, 7-12 Mathematics, who reviewed a PowerPoint discussing the two new high school mathematics courses that were being submitted for approval.

The item was moved by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and unanimously approved by members present to approve the two mathematics courses as submitted.

SECTION I – CONCLUSION**I.1 Board Members' Comments**

Mr. Hunt indicated that he will not be able to attend the dedication event on Friday at Central Middle School for Mr. Vanderzyl nor the Good Morning Riverside presentation on Thursday, since he will be attending his daughter Taylore's graduation. He discussed a meeting that he recently attended which included Dr. Kirk Lewis, Assistant Superintendent, Operations; Mr. Michael Fine, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services; and Councilmember Gardner, regarding the homeless encampment in front of the District office that disrupts employees. He commended District staff for making this a priority and voiced his opinion that the Riverside Police Department appears to be re-energized to control the problem. He mentioned the Budget Advisory Committee and suggested that this might be a good time to re-establish the committee through the Board Finance Subcommittee's direction.

There was discussion related to the policy regarding the Naming of School Facilities.

Mrs. Allavie mentioned two incredible choir moments: first was Arlington High School's choir who sang in the Riverside Art Museum's atrium, and Mr. Steffen's Alumni Tribute Concert with Riverside Polytechnic High School's Alumni Choir. She then spoke about an article in today's *Press-Enterprise* regarding Completion Counts and the Education Trust – West Report. She voiced her continued concern with the use of the word "access" in regards to the A-G requirements. She stated by using the word access that we are saying there is no easy way for students to enter these classes, and Mrs.

Allavie disagrees with this concept. She feels that this wording needs to be removed from any Education Trust – West Report or Completion Counts Report and replaced with other wording.

Mr. Lock-Dawson said that she met with Dr. Jamie Angulo, Principal, Ramona High School, to discuss the performing arts magnet and working to expand on offering more classes. She indicated that they are busing students from feeder middle schools to see performing arts at Ramona High School, and that the cost is paid for out of Ramona's budget. She mentioned her attendance at the Middle School Track Meet, and she noted that AP testing is coming up.

Dr. Beaty mentioned visiting the March Air Museum recently and that they are now accredited as a museum. He discussed attending the 7th Annual Youth Awards Program at the Riverside Elks Club with Mrs. Cloud on April 25, and he stated that they give away thousands of dollars to our students.

Mrs. Cloud commended the City of Riverside for providing several free fun activities for families to enjoy. She mentioned with the California Day of the Teacher approaching, she wanted to thank staff members for working so hard each and every day. Mrs. Cloud discussed her visits to Chemawa Middle School and Monroe Elementary School.

I.2 Superintendent's Announcements

Dr. Miller stated that staff has been recently engaged a lot with many budget issues. He mentioned his attendance at RCOE's Celebrating Educators Luncheon in Palm Springs and the 15th Annual "Making a Difference in a Student's Future" Awards event on May 7. Dr. Miller indicated that employee recognitions will be celebrated next week with the Day of the Teacher and Classified Employees Week. He reported that Mr. Lewis Vanderzyl will be honored on Friday with the dedication of Central Middle School's Multipurpose Hall.

I.3 Next Board Meeting: May 20, 2013

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Cloud adjourned the Public Session at 9:28 p.m., in memory of Mr. Ameal Moore, former Councilman who passed away after a long courageous battle with cancer; Ms. Betty Ann Simmons, former employee of Ramona High School for 23 years; and Mr. Lee Watters, former teacher and counselor at Riverside Polytechnic and John W. North High Schools.

Kathy Allavie
Clerk
Board of Education