

**RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2014
BOARD ROOM
6735 MAGNOLIA AVENUE, RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA**

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mrs. Lock-Dawson, Board President, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mrs. Patricia Lock-Dawson, Board President; Mr. Tom Hunt, Vice President; Mrs. Kathy Allavie, Board Clerk; Mrs. Gayle Cloud, Member; and Mr. Brent Lee, Member.

Also present were District Superintendent, Dr. David C. Hansen, members of the staff, and other interested citizens.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON CLOSED SESSION MATTERS

There were no requests received to address the Board members regarding Closed Session items.

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:00 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:	David C. Hansen, Ed.D., District Superintendent
Employee Organizations:	Riverside City Teachers Association California School Employees Association

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 5:37 p.m. Mrs. Lock-Dawson announced that no formal action was taken during Closed Session.

ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL AIR FORCE JROTC COLOR GUARD PRESENTATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag was led by Tariq Khoury, 6th grade student from Lake Mathews Elementary School.

SECTION A – DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

District Superintendent Hansen reported that he started his classroom visits last week beginning with Martin Luther King High School and today with Mt. View Elementary School, and he reminded Board members that he has a goal this year to get into every classroom by the end of the school year. He mentioned holding his 1st Superintendent’s Teacher Advisory Council meeting on September 8 here in the Board Room with his Executive Cabinet members. He noted that the purpose of this meeting

is to collaborate and discuss ideas that teachers may have, and to increase communication – in essence to shrink the District. He mentioned on September 11, that he along with most of the Board attended Good Morning Riverside which framed his day around one of his core values of gratefulness – in Remembrance of 911. He discussed the Leadership Team meeting which was held with the Management Team on the same day where he discussed the Disciplines of a Healthy Organization. He noted that Board members would be provided with the book titled, “The Advantage”, that was provided to all managers. On Saturday, he discussed having the privilege of participating in the Million Father March, a nationwide effort to engage fathers in their child’s upbringing. He noted that the event was sponsored by RUSD, the Latino Business Alliance, 52 Street Positive, and the Black Star Project. He indicated that it was a very hot day but worth the effort.

Mrs. Lynn Carmen Day discussed that plans are underway for The Brunswick Communications Group to visit on behalf of the Gates Foundation on September 30 and October 1. She noted that RUSD would be hosting the Gooru Meeting for their Board of Directors on October 17 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. to highlight the Innovation for Personalized Learning and the experiences surrounding Year 2 of RUSD’s Gooru rollout. In conclusion, Mrs. Carmen Day said that the planning of the Personalized Learning Summit is scheduled for December 4 and 5.

In closing, Dr. Hansen reported that the Board Workshop scheduled for Saturday, September 20 was going to be rescheduled and that his Executive Assistant Cheryl Anderson would be contacting Board members to look at other possible dates.

SECTION B – PUBLIC INPUT

There were no requests received to speak to the Board members.

SECTION C – DISTRICT EMPLOYEE GROUP REPORT

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

Mr. Tim Martin provided a report on the activities and accomplishments of the Riverside City Teachers Association (RCTA).

SECTION D – CONSENT

Approval of the Consent Calendar was moved by Mrs. Cloud and seconded by Mr. Hunt and approved by members present, with the following roll call vote:

AYES: Allavie, Cloud, Hunt, Lee, Lock-Dawson
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None

Items in the Consent Calendar have been published with the agenda and copies are on file in the District administrative offices.

SECTION E – REPORT/DISCUSSION

E.1 Measure B Citizens’ Oversight Committee 2013 Annual Report

Dr. Kirk Lewis, Assistant Superintendent Operations, introduced Mr. Mark Cloud, Vice-Chairperson, Measure B Citizens’ Oversight Committee, who reviewed a PowerPoint

sharing the Measure B Citizen's Oversight Committee 2013 Annual Report with the Board of Education.

Mr. Hunt requested that all Board members receive a bound copy of the Measure B Citizen's Oversight Committee 2013 Annual Report.

SECTION F – ACTION

F.1 Resolution No. 2014/15-11 – Resolution of the Board of Education of the Riverside Unified School District Rendering Zoning Ordinances Inapplicable to the Proposed Use of Property by REACH Leadership Academy Pursuant to Government Code Section 53094(b)

Mr. Michael Fine, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services and Governmental Relations, explained that adoption of Resolution No. 2014/15-11 would grant an exemption from certain local zoning ordinances to the REACH Leadership Academy charter school for the proposed use of property at 4850 Jurupa Avenue, Riverside. He noted if approved this would go into effect tomorrow and would be good for one year.

The item was moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded by Mrs. Cloud and was unanimously approved by the following roll call vote to adopt Resolution No. 2014/15-11:

AYES: Allavie, Cloud, Hunt, Lee, Lock-Dawson
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None

F.2 Report on the Recommendations of the Real Property Advisory “7-11 Committee

Dr. Lewis introduced Mrs. Hayley Calhoun, Director, Planning and Development, who introduced Mr. Michael West, 7-11 Committee Chairman, who reviewed the PowerPoint stating that the following properties were being recommended as surplus for long term leasing or sale by the Committee: Cleveland and Myers – 20 acres, District Office – 1.1 acres, Grant Educational Center – 5.5 acres, “Old” Hawthorne I – 6.85 acres, and Van Buren (between Van Buren and the Martin Luther King Jr. High School Detention Basin) – 1.72 acres.

The item was moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded by Mr. Lee and was unanimously approved by the following roll call vote to approve the recommendations of the Real Property Advisory “7-11” Committee and approve the report and declare the five properties above as surplus:

AYES: Allavie, Cloud, Hunt, Lee, Lock-Dawson
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None

F.3 Resolution No. 2014/15-10 – Resolution of the Board of Education of the Riverside Unified School District Approving the Certification of the 2013-2014 Unaudited Financial Reports for All Operating Funds of the District, Establishing

Appropriations Due to the Reconciliation of the 2013-2014 Estimated Ending Fund Balances to the 2013-2014 Unaudited Actual Ending Fund Balances, Classifying Components of the Ending Fund Balance

Mr. Fine stated that adoption of Resolution 2014/15-10 would certify the 2013-2014 unaudited financial reports as required by Education Code 42100. He reviewed a PowerPoint noting that this establishes the appropriations for the differences between the estimated year-end balances and the unaudited year-end balances as required by Education Code 42600, and classifies components of the ending fund balance as required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54.

The item was moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and was unanimously approved by the following roll call vote to adopt Resolution No. 2014/15-10:

AYES: Allavie, Cloud, Hunt, Lee, Lock-Dawson
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None

F.4 Resolution No. 2014/15-05 – Resolution of the Board of Education of the Riverside Unified School District Establishing Appropriations Limit Pursuant to Article XIII-B of the California Constitution, Revising the 2013-14 Appropriations Limit and Adopting the 2014-15 Appropriations Limit (Gann Limit)

Mr. Fine indicated that Proposition 4 of 1979, otherwise known as the Gann Limit established a constitutional limit on the allowable growth in state and local government spending. He said that the Board of Education was being asked to adopt a resolution revising the 2013-14 appropriations limit and to establish the initial 2014-15 appropriations limit.

The item was moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and was unanimously approved by the following roll call vote to adopt Resolution No. 2014/15-05:

AYES: Allavie, Cloud, Hunt, Lee, Lock-Dawson
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None
 ABSTAIN: None

F.5 Election of Members to the Riverside County Committee on School District Organization for the 1st, 2nd, and 5th Supervisorial Districts and Member-at-Large

Dr. Hansen called upon Board Member Cloud who discussed that the annual election of the Riverside County Committee on School District Organization (SDO) is being called.

The item was moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and was unanimously approved by the following roll call vote to table this item and Board members will forward any nominations they have to Mrs. Cloud or Mrs. Cheryl Anderson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, before October 7:

AYES: Allavie, Cloud, Hunt, Lee, Lock-Dawson
 NOES: None

ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

SECTION G – CONCLUSION

G.1 Board Members' Comments

Mr. Hunt voiced his appreciation for the tonight's staff reports. He mentioned that he would like to propose a Resolution for the Board Bylaws, and he requested direction from the Board President in terms of the importance of rotation of the Board officers and he would like to set up the rotation in the Board Bylaws. He stated if the Board Vice President is up for re-election, that the Bylaws should state that they would not serve as the Board President but their seat would be (frozen) and the Clerk would serve as Board President. He mentioned that he would like to have a meeting with the UCR Provost, including Mrs. Lock-Dawson and Dr. Hansen to discuss the Riverside STEM Academy. In regards to the Common Core Study Session, he stated that we need to challenge our staff but not overburden or divide. In closing, Mr. Hunt stated that he was very impressed with the work of the 7-11 Committee and would like to invite them back to recognize their work.

Mrs. Cloud stated that Mr. Hunt's proposed Resolution she feels does require some real thought and flexibility, because this process has worked well for the Board for some time and it will take a lot of thought. She would also like to thank the Measure B Oversight Committee as well. She noted that the CSEA Welcome Back to the School Year event was fun, and she stated that it was nice to greet the new employees and provide the Board members the opportunity to visit with the staff.

Mrs. Allavie stated that she knows that there are a lot of thankless jobs, and commended Mr. Tim Walker, Executive Director, Pupil Services/SELPA, for doing a great service of handling transfers at the last minute on September 12. – Thank you.

Mr. Lee thanked our employee groups for their communication and relationship building on behalf of our students. He discussed his interest in meeting with Mr. Gene Sherman, Vocademy, to discuss a possible partnership for our schools. He stated that some of our students need a more hands-on experience, and Mr. Sherman is very successful in the "Maker" industry in providing other avenues of opportunities for our students.

Mrs. Lock-Dawson agreed with Mr. Lee regarding Vocademy. She apologized to the members of CSEA for not being able to attend their Welcome Back to the School Year event. She discussed the Common Core Study Session, and she is hopeful that the uneven application of Math will be addressed. She stated that she would like staff to take a hard look at what is working and what is not, and that we look closely at what we are implementing. Mrs. Lock-Dawson also thanked Mr. Walker and Mrs. Jacquie Paul, Supervisor, Strategic Communications, who take a lot of calls. She noted that the 10th Annual Riverside College and Career Fair is being held on Wednesday, October 1 at the Galleria Mall at Tyler; and the Completion Counts: Pathways to Higher Education Conference on Saturday, October 4 at John W. North High School.

G.2 Next Board Meeting: October 6, 2014

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Lock-Dawson adjourned the Public Session at 7:48 p.m. in memory of Mr. Ed Rush, former teacher and principal of various schools for many years in RUSD.

Kathy Allavie
Clerk
Board of Education