



RAISIN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, February 15, 2022
6:00 P.M

MINUTES

CLOSED SESSION AT 5:30 P.M.
PUBLIC SESSION AT 6:00 P.M.

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School Mission: Raisin City School promotes an environment for success and creates partnerships with parents and community so all students will achieve their full potential to become lifelong learners and responsible and productive citizens and leaders.

Board Values – Honesty – Respect – Perspective

Closed Session was held at 5:30 P.M. and during the meeting in its stated order.

Recess to Closed Session- Session Adjourned at 5:30 P.M.

1. Conference with Legal Counsel: Potential Litigation (Government Code section 54956.9(b)) Number of Potential Cases:2
 - A. December 19, 2019 Government Claim of Brenda Weil against Raisin City School District.
 - B. Unfair Practice Charge Complaint Case No. SA. CE 2981.E Government Code 3598.5
2. Conference with Legal Counsel: Potential Litigation (Government Code Section 54956(b)) Number of cases:1 December 19, 2019 Government Tort Claim of Brenda Weil against Raisin City Elementary School District, Fresno County Superintendent of Schools, and Fresno County Office of Education
3. Negotiations CTA/CSEA
4. Public Employee Appointment/Employment (Gov. Code §54957)
5. Public Employee Discipline, Dismissal, Release, Reassignment and Resignation (Gov. Code § 54957 & 54957.1)

Closed Session

The Board reconvened at 6:11 P.M.

Establishment of a Quorum:

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a Quorum**

Laday Ramirez	Present
Tina Medina	Present
Dr. Monreal	Present
Nancy Schwabenland	Present
Mario Alvarado	Present

Called to Order: by Board President, Laday Ramirez at 6:26 P.M.

Called to Order

In Attendance:

Principal; Jessica Juarez, CBO; Debra Haney, Administrative Assistant; Anna Rasmussen, Interpreter; Ruth Baez, Irma Aguila, Brandy Rivera, Barry Watts, Brandi Watts, Laura Garcia, Teacher; Kim Cooper, Anthony Salgado, Maria Martinez, Hortencia Alvarado, Fedelina Pulido, Eliseo Gamino,

Routine Business

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Consent Agenda: The Consent Agenda includes recommendations on routine financial and administrative actions, which are usually approved by a single majority vote. Board members have the opportunity to remove any item(s) from the Consent Agenda to be considered and voted on separately.

Each item on the consent calendar approved by the Board shall be deemed to have been considered in full and adopted as recommended.

A. Approval of Consent Calendar: Any trustee may pull any item they wish off the calendar for individual review of the Board. Items for consent:

1. Approval of February 15, 2022 Agenda
2. Approval of January Regular Board Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of Warrants and Purchase Orders for January 1-31, 2022

BOARD ACTION: It was moved by member Dr. Monreal , seconded by member Nancy Schwabenland, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Ramirez – Yes Dr. Monreal- Yes Medina- Yes Schwabenland -Yes Alvarado- Yes Motion was carried.

Public Comments

Laura Garcia- Shared that her daughter contacted COVID and kept her other children home and an officer was sent to her house. In the past she would receive a letter stating on the absences of her children then an officer was sent and it is not being done here.

Public Comments

Teacher; Eliseo Gamino-

-Requested to immediately open the RCSD Library.

- His concern with the comment of 3 parents questioning the authentic residency of Elected RCSD Official (Former Board President) Dr. Anthony Monreal. Requested that because he is a strong Dual Immersion advocate, Rasin City needs his support. Parents need to know you will be here to maintain the RCSD Dual Immersion Program strong. The hiring to reflect the support to avoid the Dual Immersion Program from failing. Currently, there is only one teacher teaching Dual Immersion for the 2021-2022 academic year.

- In his estimation, the week of January 24th, his class was reduced by about half due to COVID-19 concerns. Many students without symptoms (and that passed/would have passed a covid-19 rapid test) were sent home. This goes against the new CDC guidelines and has a negative adverse effect on student learning. The entire district attendance was reduced to about (estimated) half the RCSD student population. The guideline to avoid losing instructional time for kids and a detrimental long lasting effect on children. See attached data as to the CDC recommendations.

-The RCSD had an opportunity to do the right thing and show how much school personnel is appreciated. But decided to give one of the lowest "Occupational Hazard" stipends or "Covid-19 Risk-Pay or Bonus" to its personnel. Teachers and personnel never hesitated to work online, hybrid, and finally transition to "In-Person" instruction. RCSD deserves better. The monies was meant to help school open and to help personnel during these tough times. Some school paid \$3,000 for part-time workers and \$4,000 for full-time. Other school who failed to teach "In-Person" classes were paid \$5,000.

- School personnel is concern with the theft and damages to vehicles despite having cameras. Teachers don't have an adequate school parking lot. There has been loses and/or damages to vehicles parked across the street. For example, some employees have had their vehicle catalytic convertors stolen.

- Cameras on campus requires a fair board policy on its usage. The Board and its administrators must follow California Law. RCSD personnel has the right to know all personnel who monitors the cameras and who has access to the videos. Employees have a right to know even though the current contract does not mention such uses of cameras and its appropriate .usage in the premise. That the law must be followed.

- Teacher retention is weak. This is due to no updates to the RCSD Salary schedule. It is sad to see teachers leave due to the poor schedule. Others are contemplating work elsewhere. One teacher left because he was making more as a forklift driver.

- The Board decided that the former Superintendent was not on campus often; but then hired a Superintendent that is not on campus? Its makes no sense.

-I asked for a review of school personnel contracts to ensure that all professional development courses (university units, certificates, and/or units) are accounted for in the employees' most current contract 2017-2019? In my case, I took courses and have additional BCLAD certificates that need to be reviewed.

- If any Member of the Board promised double pay during Hazardous Covid-19 times or Risk then the pay should be follow up on and their word need be kept.

Anthony Salgado-

Read a prepared statement that served notice to the Board and the Superintendent regarding a grievance served by Anthony Salgado, William Cazares, and Daniel Ocampo served as a collective bargain agreement where no teacher shall be required to work under unsafe conditions. The school was opened through hybrid learning in 2020 and answered the call of service and have been denied unequal pay according to assembly bill 86, 130 and 167 that outlines the distribution of funds. They performed their duties according to legal code articles and were violated. They were denied equal pay for services rendered during the pandemic.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

New Business

A. Approval ACTION ITEM

Review the 2021 LCAP Mid-Year Report - Presentation

The Midyear Report was given by the Principal Mrs. Juarez. She shared about the following:

-Purpose of the Mid-Year report for the LCAP

-Supplement to the Annual Update

-Successes

-Challenges

-How the money was used to make sure our students stayed safe while at school.

-Mid-Year Report Goals 1-3

B. Approval ACTION ITEM
Review /Approve – January 2022 Financial Report

BOARD ACTION:

It was moved by member Nancy Schwabenland, seconded by member Dr. Anthony Monreal, to review /approve – January 2022 Financial Report

Dr. Anthony Monreal would like family literacy to be promoted where parents are taught to use iReady and taught Spanish literacy. He asked for a similar iReady program in Spanish to be sought after. He would like the Afterschool Program to be doing the same and the library to be reopened.

Ramirez – Yes Dr. Monreal- Yes Medina- Yes Schwabenland -Yes Alvarado- Yes
Motion was carried.

C. Approval ACTION ITEM
California State Preschool Program Continued Funding Application -Resolution #123-2022

BOARD ACTION:

It was moved by member Tina Medina, seconded by member Dr. Monreal, to approve the In the Matter of California State Preschool Program Resolution #123-2022

Ramirez – Yes Dr. Monreal- Yes Medina- Yes Schwabenland -Yes Alvarado- Yes
Motion was carried.

D. Approval ACTION ITEM
Review /Approve – Application for Exemption from the Required Expenditures for Classroom Teachers Salaries

BOARD ACTION: It was moved by member Dr. Monreal, seconded by member Tina Medina, to Review /Approve – Application for Exemption from the Required Expenditures for Classroom Teachers Salaries

Ramirez – Yes Dr. Monreal- Yes Medina- Yes Schwabenland -Yes Alvarado- Yes
Motion was carried.

E. Approval ACTION ITEM
4th and 5th Grades Field Trip to the San Juan Bautista and Monterrey Bay Aquarium on April 1, 2022

Nancy Schwabenland requested for the correction in calculations for the trip.

BOARD ACTION:

It was moved by member Dr. Monreal, seconded by member Tina Medina, to approve the 4th and 5th Grades Field Trip to the San Juan Bautista and Monterrey Bay Aquarium on April 1, 2022

Ramirez – Yes Dr. Monreal- Yes Medina- Yes Schwabenland -Yes Alvarado- Yes
Motion was carried.

**F. Approval ACTION ITEM
Certificated Sunshine of Bargaining**

BOARD ACTION:

It was moved by member Nancy Schwabenland, seconded by member Tina Medina, to approve the Certificated Sunshine of Bargaining

Ramirez – Yes Dr. Monreal- Yes Medina- Yes Schwabenland -Yes Alvarado- Yes
Motion was carried.

**G. Approval ACTION ITEM
Review and Vote for the 2022 Ballot for CSBA Delegate Assembly**

BOARD ACTION:

It was moved by member Dr. Monreal, seconded by member Tina Medina, to Review and Vote for the 2022 Ballot for CSBA Delegate Assembly

Ramirez – Yes Dr. Monreal- Yes Medina- Yes Schwabenland -Yes Alvarado- Yes
Motion was carried.

**H. Approval ACTION ITEM
8th Grade End of the Year Field Trip to Universal Studios**

BOARD ACTION:

It was moved by member Nancy Schwabenland, seconded by member Mario Alvarado, to approve 8th Grade End of the Year Field Trip to Universal Studios

Ramirez – Yes Dr. Monreal- Yes Medina- Yes Schwabenland -Yes Alvarado- Yes
Motion was carried.

Comments from Certificated/Classified Personnel

No comments were given.

**Comments from
Certificated/Classifi
ed Personnel**

Superintendent Report – Mr. Orin Hirschhorn

Roof Project and other Projects- Mr. Hirschhorn will have a better timeline at next month meeting.

**Superintendent
Report**

COVID- Has continued to evolve and parents and everyone else are confused by the standards expected. Not all departments of the Health departments have the same interpretation of the standards

Masks are still required until February 28th.

Parents are tired of the campus shut down but we still need to follow the Health Department guidelines.

8th Grade Promotion- There will be a dinner planned to where parents can attend.

Principal- Jessica Juarez reported that 32 parents attended the PIQUE Workshop

Comments by Members of the Board

**Comments by
Members of the
Board**

Recessed to Reconvene to Closed Session at 7:13 P.M.

**Recess to Closed
Session**

Report from Closed Session
There was no report.

**Report from
Closed Session**

Adjournment

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BOARD ACTION:

It was moved by member Tina Medina, seconded by
Member Nancy Schwabenland to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 P.M.

Yes- Ramirez Yes- Dr. Monreal Yes- Medina Yes- Schwabenland Yes-Alvarado
Motion was carried.

Respectfully Submitted,


Tina Medina, Clerk of the Board