

**RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015
BOARD ROOM
6735 MAGNOLIA AVENUE, RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA**

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mrs. Kathy Allavie, Board President, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag was led by Ashton Silva, 6th grade Alcott Elementary School student.

MEMORIAL GROUP PERFORMANCE

The Poly Chamber Singers sang the "Irish Blessing" in memory of the innocent victims impacted by the senseless act of violence that occurred on Wednesday, December 2 at the Inland Regional Center (IRC) in San Bernardino.

GROUP PERFORMANCE

The Frank Augustus Miller Middle School Advanced Band performed for the Board of Education.

ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

1. Administration of the Oath of Office

Riverside County Supervisor John Tavaglione, 2nd District, administered the Oath of Office to Dr. I. Farooq, Mr. Tom Hunt, and Mrs. Patricia Lock-Dawson.

A reception was held to congratulate our new and continuing board members.

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:45 p.m.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON CLOSED SESSION MATTERS

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

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

- 3. Consideration of Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
- 4. Consideration of Public Employee Appointment Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Title: Elementary Assistant Principal

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 6:43 p.m. Mrs. Allavie announced that the following actions were taken by the Board during Closed Session:

It was moved by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and seconded by Mr. Lee and was unanimously approved by the following roll call vote to appoint Mrs. Natanya Johnson, Assistant Principal, Benjamin Franklin Elementary School:

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

2. Election of Board of Education Officers

Dr. Hansen presided in conducting the election for the office of president.

- President

The item was moved by Dr. Farooq and seconded by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and was unanimously approved by members present with the following roll call vote nominating Mr. Hunt as President.

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

- Vice President

The item was moved by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and was unanimously approved by members present with the following roll call vote nominating Mr. Lee as Vice President.

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

- Clerk

The item was moved by Mrs. Allavie and seconded by Dr. Farooq and was unanimously approved by members present with the following roll call vote nominating Mrs. Lock-Dawson as Clerk.

AYES: Allavie, Farooq, Hunt, Lee, Lock-Dawson

NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Delegate to the County Committee on School District Organization

The item was moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and was unanimously approved by members present with the following roll call vote nominating Mrs. Lock-Dawson as the Delegate to the County Committee on School District Organization.

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

The Board members presented a gift to Mrs. Allavie, made by the Ramona ceramics class, for serving as the Board President last year. Mrs. Allavie shared comments regarding her year as Board President.

3. Selection of Day, Dates, Time and Location of Regular Board Meetings for 2016

The item was moved by Mr. Lee and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and was unanimously approved by members present with the following roll call vote to approve the dates as presented by staff with the addition of the start time of regular meetings as 6:00 p.m. and the October 10, October 24, November 1, and November 14 meeting dates as recommended.

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

4. Selection of Day, Time, and Location of 2016 Annual Organizational Meeting

The item was moved by Mr. Lee and seconded by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and was unanimously approved by members present with the following roll call vote to approve the selection of December 5, 2016, as the 2016 Annual Organizational Meeting.

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

5. Certification of Authorized Signatures

The item was moved by Mrs. Allavie and seconded by Mr. Lee and was unanimously approved by members present with the following roll call vote:

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

RECESS PUBLIC SESSION

CONVENE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FINANCING AUTHORITY ANNUAL MEETING

1. Resolution No. FA-2015/16-01 – Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Riverside Unified School District Financing Authority Amending Article III of the Riverside Financing Authority Joint Exercise Powers Agreement Bylaws

Dr. Hansen stated that it is necessary to update Section 3.02 – Treasurer under III of the Riverside Unified School District Financing Authority Joint Exercise Powers Agreement.

The item was moved by Mrs. Allavie and seconded by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and was unanimously approved by members present with the following roll call vote to approve Resolution No. FA-2015/16-01:

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

2. Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Riverside Unified School District School Financing Authority – Election of Officers

The item was moved by Mrs. Allavie and seconded by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and was unanimously approved by members present with the following roll call vote for the following Election of Officers:

Chairman – Tom Hunt
Vice Chairman – Brent Lee
Chief Financial Officer – Mays Kakish
Secretary – Patricia Lock-Dawson

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

ADJOURN THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL FINANCING AUTHORITY ANNUAL MEETING

CONVENE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES CORPORATION ANNUAL MEETING

1. Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Riverside Unified School District Facilities Corporation – Election of Officers

The item was moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and was unanimously approved by members present with the following roll call vote for the following Election of Officers:

Chairman – Tom Hunt
Vice Chairman – Brent Lee
Chief Financial Officer – Mays Kakish

Secretary – Patricia Lock-Dawson

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

ADJOURN THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FACILITIES CORPORATION ANNUAL MEETING

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION OF REGULAR MEETING

SECTION A – PRESENTATION

A.1 Recognition of Riverside Polytechnic High School’s Solar Cup Team Participation

Mrs. Lynn Carmen Day, Chief Academic Officer, introduced Mr. Tom Evans, Western Municipal Water District Board Member, who presented a \$2,500 check to Riverside Polytechnic High School for the team’s participation in the upcoming competition.

SECTION B – REPORTS BY HIGH SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES

B.1 Reports were presented by Riverside Polytechnic, Ramona, Riverside STEM Academy, and John W. North High Schools Student Board Representatives.

SECTION C – DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Hansen began by addressing the senseless acts of violence that occurred last Wednesday at the Inland Regional Center (IRC) in San Bernardino. He said that his thoughts and prayers went out to the victims, their families, the employees at the IRC, and everyone else affected by the tragedy. He discussed communication that went out to our teachers and staff about helping our students process information to cope during times like these. He shared that we also made school psychologists available for any students or staff who needed another person to lean on.

Dr. Hansen stated that safety is our number one priority here at RUSD. He noted while educating your children may be our main focus, we also have an obligation while educating them to protect them in a safe environment.

Ms. Renee Hill, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Support, shared that her staff has been working hard preparing for the 3rd Annual Riverside Personalized Learning Summit scheduled for this Thursday and Friday.

Dr. Hansen noted that Brad Peters, Martin Luther King High School, Cross Country/Track & Field, was recognized last weekend at the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) State Cross Country meet with the CIF Model Coach Award. He noted that Coach Peters has worked at King for 16 years, and has been the head cross country and track coach at King for 14 of those years. He voiced his special congratulations to Brad and thanked him for all of his dedicated service to our student-athletics throughout the years.

Mrs. Lynn Carmen Day, Chief Academic Officer provided a brief update regarding the Inspire her Mind STEM Symposium for high school girls' that was held on November 18. She also discussed the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Advisory Committee and provided a brief update for the Board members regarding their recent meeting.

SECTION D – PUBLIC INPUT

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

SECTION E – DISTRICT EMPLOYEE GROUP REPORTS

E.1 CSEA Presentation by Ms. Mickey McDonald, Riverside Unified School District, Chapter #506

Ms. Mickey McDonald shared a report on behalf of Mr. Daniel Rudd regarding the activities and accomplishments of the California School Employees Association (CSEA).

E.2 Riverside Council PTA Presentation by Ms. Gina Cheadle, President

Ms. Gina Cheadle shared a report regarding the activities and accomplishments of the Riverside Council Parent Teacher Association (PTA).

SECTION F – CONSENT

Approval of the Consent Calendar was moved by Mrs. Patricia Lock-Dawson and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and was unanimously approved by members present with the exception of Item F.10 which was pulled for discussion, by the following roll call vote:

- AYES: Allavie, Farooq, 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.

ITEM PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

F.10 Early Notification of Separation Incentive Programs

Item F.10 was moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and was unanimously approved by the following roll call vote to approve the item as submitted:

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

SECTION G– REPORTS/DISCUSSION

G.1 Parent Engagement Update: Parents Leading Unshakable Scholars (PLUS), and Parent School Specialty Survey

Mrs. Carmen Day introduced Dr. Keyisha Holmes, Principal on Special Assignment, who reviewed a PowerPoint providing an update to the Board regarding the first parent

meeting, discussed committee developments, reviewed survey results, and shared future plans.

G.2 Overview of Transfers Within the Riverside Unified School District

Mr. Tim Walker, Executive Director, Pupil Services/SELPA, provided a PowerPoint highlighting 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 break from 8:49 to 8:59 p.m.

SECTION H– ACTION

H.1 Future Configuration of the Riverside STEM Academy

Dr. Kirk Lewis, Assistant Superintendent, Operations, pulled the item from the agenda.

H.2 Board Policy #1312.3 – Uniform Complaint – First Reading

Mr. Walker stated that Board Policy #1312.3 was being presented for first reading. He noted that additional wording was brought to staff's attention that needed to be added to this policy after the publishing of the agenda; therefore, the additional wording would be including in the second reading.

It was agreed that staff would bring back this item for second reading in January or February for Board approval.

H.3 Board Policy #5145.3 – Nondiscrimination/Harassment – First Reading

Mr. Walker and Dr. Gary McGuire, Assistant Director, Pupil Services, reviewed the revisions to Board Policy #5145.3 – Nondiscrimination/Harassment being presented for first reading.

The item was moved by Mr. Lee and seconded by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and was approved unanimously by the following roll call vote to approve the revisions to Board Policy #5145.3 – Nondiscrimination/Harassment and waive the second reading as presented:

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

H.4 Board Policy #6153(a) – Selection, Adoption, and Reconsideration of School-Sponsored Trips – First Reading

Mrs. Carmen Day and Mrs. Kakish reviewed the revisions to Board Policy #6153(a) and discussed the information contained in the audit report.

The item was moved by Mr. Lee and seconded by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and was approved unanimously by the following roll call vote to approve the revisions to Board

Policy #6153(a) to include prior approval of the Board of Education for Out-of-State and Out-of-Country Field Trips and waive the second reading as presented:

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

H.5 Board Policy #3511.1 – Utilization of Energy Rebates – Second Reading

Dr. Lewis discussed the revisions to Board Policy #3511.1 – Utilization of Energy Rebates being presented for second reading.

The item was moved by Mrs. Allavie and seconded by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and was approved unanimously by the following roll call vote to approve new Board Policy #3511.1 – Utilization of Energy Rebates for second reading as presented:

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

H.6 2015-2016 First Period Interim Report

Mrs. Kakish reviewed a PowerPoint sharing that California Education Code Sections 42130 and 42131, which incorporates provisions of AB1200, requires each district in the State of California to file interim reports twice each fiscal year. She stated that the first report covers the financial and budgetary status of the District for the period ending October 31, 2015.

The item was moved by Mrs. Allavie and seconded by Dr. Farooq and was approved by the following roll call vote to approve the 2015-2016 First Period Interim Report and adopt a positive certification pursuant to Education Code 42131 as presented:

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

H.7 California School Boards Association’s (CSBA) Delegate Assembly Riverside Unified School District Representative Appointment

Dr. Hansen explained that CSBA is requesting that Riverside Unified’s Governing Board either reappoint Mr. Tom Hunt or appoint a new representative to CSBA’s Delegate Assembly to fill this position for the two year term.

The item was moved by Mrs. Allavie and seconded by Dr. Farooq and was approved unanimously by the following roll call vote to approve the appointment of Mrs. Lock-Dawson as the CSBA Delegate:

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

H.8 Board Subcommittees and Future Topics for Board Presentations and Study Sessions

Dr. Hansen discussed the current Board Subcommittees and presented the future tentative topics for Board Presentations and Study Sessions. He requested the discontinuance of the current subcommittees unless they are short term. He also stated that workshops could be held when needed.

The item was moved by Dr. Farooq and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and was approved unanimously by the following roll call vote to discontinue the Board Subcommittees as presented:

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

SECTION I – CONCLUSION

I.1 Board Members' Comments

Mrs. Allavie and Mrs. Lock-Dawson shared concerns about the Bond and the sense of urgency for community engagement to help with fundraising.

Dr. Hansen discussed the educational campaign that is underway, and the first Superintendent's Bond Community Outreach Committee meeting scheduled for December 14. He noted that the Bond Team will be coming together a week from today, and he shared that District staff is on pace and has a sense of urgency to run a good campaign. Mr. Hunt voiced the importance that the Board needs to be involved right away with the process.

Dr. Farooq thanked everyone for their encouragement and support. He acknowledged the people that were affected during the tragedy last week. He thanked his mother and wife who came to support him at tonight's meeting, as well as Supervisor Tavaglione. Dr. Farooq said he was thankful for the training at the California School Boards Association Conference (CSBA), and he mentioned that he would like to see a future joint meeting with the City Council and Board of Education whether related to the Bond or other items.

Mrs. Lock-Dawson wished everyone a Happy Holidays and thanked everyone for their hard work.

Mr. Lee welcomed Dr. Farooq and indicated that he looks forward to working together in the future. He mentioned in light of the events in San Bernardino and shootings around the country, that the District is entrusted with the safety of our students. He discussed the need for SROs hours to coincide with the school day and the structure of

our school sites. He also mentioned a workshop he attended at CSBA, by Fresno Unified School District Superintendent and the Vice Chancellor of the University of Merced that measures performance so no student falls through the cracks.

Mr. Hunt stated that we are surrounded by institutional knowledge and he encouraged everyone to read "No Easy Way" written by Arthur Littleworth. He noted that this is what we should strive for. He wished everyone a Happy Holiday and a productive New Year.

I.2 Next Board Meeting: January 19, 2016 – Regular Board Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hunt adjourned the Public Session at 10:24 p.m.

Patricia Lock-Dawson
Clerk
Board of Education