

**RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2012
BOARD ROOM
6735 MAGNOLIA AVENUE, RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA**

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mrs. Cloud, Board President, called the meeting to order at 5:00 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 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: Rick L. Miller, Ph.D., District Superintendent
Employee Organizations: Riverside City Teachers Association
California School Employees Association

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 5:30 p.m. Mrs. Cloud announced that no formal action was taken by the Board during Closed Session.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag was led by Michael Deane, 6th grade Woodcrest Elementary School student.

GROUP PERFORMANCE

The University Heights Middle School Choir performed for the Board of Education.

ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

1. Election of Board of Education Officers

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

- **President**

The item was moved by Dr. Beaty seconded by Mrs. Allavie and passed by a 3 to 2 vote with Mr. Hunt dissenting and Mrs. Lock-Dawson abstaining nominating the same slate of officers as last year (Mrs. Cloud as President, Dr. Beaty as Vice President, and Mrs. Allavie as Clerk).

- Vice President

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- Clerk

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Delegate to the County Committee on School District Organization

The item was moved by Mr. Hunt seconded by Mrs. Allavie and was unanimously approved by members present nominating Dr. Beaty as the Delegate to the County Committee on School District Organization.

2. Selection of Day, Dates, Time and Location of Regular Board Meetings for 2013

The item was moved by Mrs. Allavie seconded by Dr. Beaty and was unanimously approved by members present, to approve the meetings as presented with the exception of changing the August meeting to August 12, 2013.

3. Selection of Day, Time, and Location of 2013 Annual Organizational Meeting

The item was moved by Mrs. Allavie seconded by Mr. Hunt and was unanimously approved by members present with the selection of December 9, 2013, as the 2013 Annual Organizational Meeting.

4. Certification of Authorized Signatures

The item was moved by Mr. Hunt seconded by Dr. Beaty and was unanimously approved by members present.

RECESS PUBLIC SESSION

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

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

The item was moved by Dr. Beaty seconded by Mr. Hunt and was unanimously approved by members present with the following Election of Officers:

Chairman – Mrs. Gayle Cloud
Vice Chairman – Dr. Charles Beaty
Chief Financial Officer – Mr. Michael H. Fine
Secretary – Mrs. Kathy Allavie

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

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

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

The item was moved by Mr. Hunt seconded by Dr. Beaty and was unanimously approved by members present with the following Election of Officers:

Chairman – Mrs. Gayle Cloud
Vice Chairman – Dr. Charles Beaty
Chief Financial Officer – Mr. Michael H. Fine
Secretary – Mrs. Kathy Allavie

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

RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION OF REGULAR MEETING

SECTION A – PRESENTATIONS

A.1 Recognition of Amelia Earhart Middle School Student Rachel Priebe, California Winner of the National World War II Museum’s Salute to Freedom Contest

A.2 RUSD Honor Roll Recognitions

Dr. David Haglund, Director, Educational Options Center; Mrs. Gloria Cowder, Director, Program Development and Extended Learning Opportunities; Mr. Tim Martin, President, RCTA; and Ms. Mariana Robles, Teacher, Hawthorne Elementary School were honored for their extra efforts related to the Race to the Top (RTT) grant.

SECTION B – REPORTS BY HIGH SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES

B.1 Reports presented by Abraham Lincoln, Arlington High, and Martin Luther King High Schools Student Board Representatives.

SECTION C– PUBLIC INPUT

The following individual addressed the Board members: Mr. Christopher Sims discussed his concerns regarding Arlington High School’s baseball field.

SECTION D – DISTRICT EMPLOYEE GROUP REPORT

D.1 CSEA Presentation by Mr. Richard Carpenter, President, Riverside Unified School District, Chapter #506

SECTION E – SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

E.1 Board Student Activities Subcommittee Report

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

E.2 Board Finance Subcommittee Report

The Board of Education received a report from Dr. Beaty regarding the Board Finance Subcommittee.

SECTION F – CONSENT

Approval of the Consent Calendar was moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded Mrs. Allavie and unanimously approved by members present. Items in the Consent Calendar have been published with the agenda and copies are on file in the District administrative offices.

SECTION G – ACTION**G.1 Resolution No. 2012/13-29 – Resolution of the Board of Education of the Riverside Unified School District Denying the Petition for the Establishment of SPARK Charter School**

Mrs. Gloria Cowder, Director, Program Development and Extended Learning Opportunities, explained that the Board of Education was being asked to adopt Resolution No. 2012/13-29 – Denying the Charter Petition for the Establishment of SPARK Charter School.

The item was moved by Dr. Beaty and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and unanimously approved by members present to approve Resolution No. 2012/13-29 – Denying the Charter Petition.

G.2 2012-2013 First Period Interim Report

Mr. Michael Fine, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services and Governmental Relations, indicated that California Education Code Section 42130 and 42131, which incorporates provisions of AB1200, requires each district in the State of California to file interim reports twice each fiscal year. He stated that the first report covers the financial and budgetary status of the District for the period ending October 31, 2012.

The Board took a break from 7:38 to 7:47 p.m.

The item was moved by Dr. Beaty and seconded by Mr. Hunt and unanimously approved by members present.

G.3 Adoption Recommendation of K-2 English Language Arts/English Language Development (ELA/ELD) Instructional Materials

Ms. Renee Hill, Director, Elementary Education, reviewed a PowerPoint and stated that this item was being brought forward for first reading and can be approved tonight or can be brought back at the January 2013 Board meeting for adoption of the recommended materials.

The Board agreed that this item would be placed on the next Board Instruction Subcommittee agenda to address further questions, and then brought back for second reading and adoption at the January 22, 2013 Board meeting.

G.4 California School Boards Association's Delegate Assembly Riverside Unified School District Representative Appointment

Mrs. Cloud said that the Board of Education was being asked to appoint a representative to the CSBA's Delegate Assembly to fill this position. She noted that

this is the position that she currently holds and her term will expire on March 31, 2013. Mrs. Cloud indicated that she would like to continue as one of RUSD's Delegate Assembly representatives.

The item was moved by Dr. Beaty and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and unanimously approved by members present approving the reappointment of Mrs. Cloud.

G.5 Nominations for the California School Boards Association's Delegate Assembly

Mrs. Cloud and Dr. Miller explained that CSBA Subregion 18A has six Delegate Assembly positions that expire in 2013.

The item was moved by Mr. Hunt and seconded by Dr. Beaty and unanimously approved by members present approving that the Board nominate the list of candidates that currently hold the positions.

SECTION H – CONCLUSION

H.1 Board Members' Comments

Mrs. Cloud shared a video clip with the Board members. She stated that the California School Boards Association (CSBA) has a new website and that it is supposed to be more user-friendly.

Mr. Hunt had no comments.

Mrs. Allavie thanked everyone for the productive time she had at the CSBA Annual Education Conference. She mentioned a recent *Press-Enterprise* article titled, "Chemists Teach Elementary Students the Scientific Method" – where University of California, Riverside (UCR) chemistry department students were helping Taft Elementary School students by giving of their own time by helping the students' prepare for their science fair projects. She suggested that a letter be sent to UCR thanking the department head for coordinating this effort. In closing, Mrs. Allavie said that she had some fundraising ideas that she gathered from the CSBA Conference for bands and ASB groups that she will share with Mr. Hunt and Mrs. Lock-Dawson.

Mrs. Lock-Dawson expressed her confusion and disappointment with the nomination process tonight for Board of Education officers.

Dr. Beaty mentioned an article in the Martin Luther King High School newspaper – *The King Courier* titled, "Making Mole Hills of Mt. Rubidoux", and said that it was written very well. He discussed the Famous Fliers' Wall at the Mission Inn, and he stated recently the wings of the Tuskegee Airmen were placed on the wall.

H.2 Superintendent's Announcements

Dr. Miller discussed the community meeting with Education Trust West (ETW) on November 26. He said the representatives from ETW stated that in terms of broad representation and input, that this was one of the best meetings that they have participated in.

H.3 Next Board Meeting: January 22, 2013

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Cloud adjourned the Public Session at 8:50 p.m. in memory of University Heights Middle School student, Edgar Alexis Velazquez-Verduzco, who was the victim of a fatal car accident over Thanksgiving break.

Kathy Allavie
Clerk
Board of Education