

**RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
HELD FEBRUARY 29, 2012
CONFERENCE ROOM 1 A/B
3380 14TH STREET, RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mrs. Cloud, Board President, called the Special Board meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

Also present were Mr. Michael Fine, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services, members of the staff, and other interested citizens.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag was led by Mrs. Cloud.

The Board took a recess from 8:03 to 8:14 a.m. to wait for Mrs. Patricia Lock-Dawson to arrive.

Mrs. Lock-Dawson, Member arrived at 8:14 a.m.

SECTION A – ACTION

A.1 Budget Planning for 2012-13 – Reflection, Discussion, and Analysis for Budget Considerations for the 2012-13 Fiscal Year

Mr. Fine reviewed information that he provided in a handout and indicated that the Board of Education would be asked to review recommendations for budget considerations for the 2012-13 fiscal year, and take the necessary action to approve, reject, or revise budget reduction considerations as appropriate.

Mrs. Lock-Dawson left the meeting at 9:28 a.m.

The item was moved by Dr. Beaty and seconded by Mrs. Cloud and passed by a 3 to 1 vote with Mr. Hunt dissenting, to approve the 2012-13 Budget Mitigation Measures #1 - #11 as outlined by Mr. Fine – giving the highest priority to grades 1-3 for Elementary Staffing Ratios as addressed in Item #3.

SECTION B – UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATIONS

There were no requests to speak to the Board of Education.

SECTION C – CONCLUSION

C.1 Board Members’ – Comments

Mr. Hunt discussed his vote and concerns that the District needs to look at including the administrative staff as part of the budget reductions. He stated that if the District owns surplus properties, that staff needs to consider selling this land.

Dr. Beaty indicated that he is not surprised that the District’s management team would be discussed during budget considerations. He noted that you cannot run a District without administrators, and he is often reminded of this when he attends the Student Responsibility Team meetings. Dr. Beaty stated that he feels blessed to have the

caliber of managers that we have in this District like Mr. Tim Walker, Executive Director, Pupil Services/SELPA, who can do the work of two people.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Cloud adjourned the Public Session at 9:59 a.m.

Kathy Allavie
Clerk
Board of Education