

**RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONDAY, JULY 18, 2011
BOARD ROOM
6735 MAGNOLIA AVENUE, RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA**

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Mr. Hunt, Board President, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Tom Hunt, President; Dr. Charles L. Beaty, Vice President; Mrs. Gayle Cloud, Clerk; Mrs. Kathy Allavie, Member; and Mr. Lewis Vanderzyl, 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 4:00 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 Representatives: Rick L. Miller, Ph.D., District Superintendent
Michael Fine, Deputy Superintendent

Employee Organizations: Riverside City Teachers Association
California School Employees Association
3. Conference With Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation – Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Subdivision (c) of Section 54946.9

Number of Potential Cases: 2
4. Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
Appointment
Title: Labor Negotiator

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 5:33 p.m. Mr. Hunt 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 Dr. Beaty.

SECTION A– PRESENTATIONS

A.1 Scheduled Communications

1. Jan Hudson, Inland Empire Labor-Management Cooperation Committee, discussed the Riverside Joint Apprenticeship Electrical Training Program.

SECTION B – SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

B.1 Board Communications Subcommittee Report

The Board of Education received a report from Mrs. Allavie on behalf of the Board Communications Subcommittee.

B.2 Board Finance Subcommittee Report

The Board of Education received a report from Mr. Hunt on behalf of the Board Finance Subcommittee.

SECTION C – CONSENT

Approval of the Consent Calendar was moved by Mrs. Allavie and seconded by Dr. Beaty and unanimously approved by members present, with the exception of Items C.2 and C.12 which were pulled from the agenda for discussion. Items in the Consent Calendar have been published with the agenda and copies are on file in the District administrative offices.

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Item C.2 – Warrant List No. 1

The Item was moved by Mrs. Cloud and seconded by Mr. Vanderzyl and unanimously approved by members present.

Item C.12 – 2011-2012 Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators

The Item was moved by Dr. Beaty and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and unanimously approved by members present.

SECTION D – ACTION

D.1 Adoption of Board of Education Goals for the 2011-2012 School Year

Dr. Miller indicated that the Board is being asked to approve the Board of Education Goals for the 2011-2012 school year.

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

D.2 Revision of Board of Education Policy #7310: Memorials, Naming of School Facilities, and Sponsorships – Second Reading

Dr. Miller stated that the Board is being asked to consider and adopt the second reading of the revision of Board of Education Policy #7310 related to memorials, naming of school facilities, and sponsorships.

The item was moved by Dr. Beaty and seconded by Mrs. Cloud and unanimously approved by members present.

D.3 Revision of Board of Education Policy #4112.8, 4212.8, and 4312.8: Employment of Relatives – First Reading

Dr. Miller explained that the Board is being asked to review the first reading of the revision of Board of Education Policy #4112.8, 4212.8, and 4312.8 related to the Employment of Relatives.

The item was moved by Dr. Beaty and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and unanimously approved by members present to waive the second reading and approve Policy #4112.8, 4212.8, and 4312.8 with the addition of including the word (children) before (and/or step children).

D.4 Board of Education Policy #4112.81, 4212.81, and 4312.81: Notice to Board of Hiring and Promotion – First Reading

Dr. Miller noted that new Board of Education Policy #4112.81, 4212.81, and 4312.81 – Notice to Board of Hiring and Promotion – is recommended and is presented to the Board of Education for first reading.

The item was moved by Dr. Beaty and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and unanimously approved by members present to waive the second reading and approve Policy #4112.81, 4212.81, and 4312.81.

SECTION E – UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATIONS

The following individuals spoke to the Board regarding their concerns related to a Special Education settlement: Jennifer Kropke and John Musarra.

SECTION F – CONCLUSION

F.1 Board Members' Comments

Mr. Vanderzyl mentioned that he sees the children in the parks during lunchtime so the F.E.E.D.S. (Food for Every Child to Eat During Summer) program appears to be very successful.

Mrs. Cloud thanked the publications staff for their hard work on the policies and the branding of our District. She mentioned the school calendars that were approved this evening for the 2012/13 and 2013/14 school years, and indicated that she realizes there are conflicts with the later start date with testing. She stated her desire that the testing schedules be worked on by District staff and brought to the Board Instruction Subcommittee.

Mrs. Allavie thanked Mrs. Judi Paredes, and Dr. Bill Ermert, Assistant Superintendents Instructional Services, and Mr. Lou Mason, Director, Certificated Personnel, for including her in the process for hiring the new Instructional Services Specialist K-12 Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA), Interventions. She also mentioned that she will be in Hawaii during the August 15 Board meeting, and that Mr. John Schreck, Manager, Publications, will be working on a phone or video connection for her for that meeting.

Dr. Beaty stated that he would like to see an article in the *Press-Enterprise* regarding the Riverside Adult School, because for many years people have considered the Adult School to be the best in the State. He also talked about his vacation in Spain and how interesting it was to see other cultures.

Mr. Hunt talked about his attendance at the Maintenance and Operations Annual 4th of July Picnic. He commended Mr. Michael Fine, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services and Governmental Relations, and Dr. Miller for their work on the whooping cough vaccinations. He stated that Mr. Mason would be bringing information forward at the August 15 meeting about walk-on coaches. Mr. Hunt thanked Dr. Kirk Lewis, Assistant Superintendent, Operations, and Ms. Janet Dixon, Director, Planning/Development, for their excellent work with the Perris Valley Line (PVL) and Dr. Beaty for his leadership.

F.2 Superintendent's Announcements

Dr. Miller stated that he would bring forward the listing of walk-on coaches to the August Board meeting. He thanked Ms. Renee Hill, Director, Elementary Education, and commented that the District recently received data for CAHSEE testing and our numbers exceeded the county percentages.

F.3 Next Board Meeting: August 15, 2011

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hunt adjourned the Public Session at 6:30 p.m. in memory of Ms. Merl Haga, former teacher at Grant and Jackson Elementary Schools.

Gayle Cloud
Clerk
Board of Education