Riverside Unified School District
Operations Division
Operations Board Subcommittee Meeting
January 8, 2019
3: 00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Conference Room 3
3380 14th St., Riverside, CA 92501

MINUTES

CALLED TO ORDER: 3:33 p.m. by Mr. Lee

PRESENT: Brent Lee and Tom Hunt, Board Members, and Sergio San Martin, Assistant Superintendent, Operations.

Also present were Mays Kakish, Chief Business Officer, Ana Gonzalez, Planning and Development Director; Ken Mueller, Maintenance and Operations Director; Kevin Hauser, Facilities Planning Assistant Director; Annette Alvarez, Fiscal Services Manager; Richard Prince, Community Relations Manager; William J. Perez, Executive Secretary/Business Manager, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties Building and Construction Trades Council; Thomas W. Kovacich, Legal Counsel, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Rudd and Romo; Tim Rainey, Executive Director, California Workforce Development Board; and Lizette Delgado, (Recorder).

Public Input

There were no requests to speak with subcommittee members.

Action/Discussion Items

1. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Hunt moved and Mr. Lee seconded to table the approval of the minutes of the December 12, 2018, meeting, to a future meeting.

2. Community Benefits Agreements on School Construction

At the request of Board Member Angelov Farooq, the subcommittee discussed an overview of Community Benefits Agreements on public school construction.

Staff provided information concerning the subcommittee process, welcomed experts in the field that were invited, and informed the subcommittee that the item was being presented for their information and review.

Thomas W. Kovacich gave a presentation on Community Workforce Agreements (CWA) (also referred as Community Benefits Agreements, Project Labor Agreements), which included information regarding (1) Statutory Requirements of CWAs; (2) Arguments in Favor of CWAs; and (3) Arguments Against CWAs. He highlighted some of the laws, provisions, and regulations that govern CWAs, and shared information concerning arguments in favor and against CWAs. Mr. Kovacich responded to questions from staff and subcommittee members about the information that was presented.

Bill Perez also responded to questions from staff and subcommittee members, and provided information regarding several items of negotiation and procedures concerning the Community Workforce Agreements with local construction industry unions. He provided information on the Building Trades Multi-Craft Core Curriculum (MC3), a comprehensive pre-apprenticeship program. Mr. Perez added that the program focuses on very specific skills, exposing participants to different building trades' career opportunities and on the job training. He mentioned that the size of the program and local hiring opportunities depend on the geographic area/region.

Tim Rainey shared with the subcommittee the social benefits of the CWAs through the partnerships with the Building Trades pre-apprenticeships programs and State funding opportunities for such programs. He added that pre-apprenticeships programs create opportunities for disadvantaged populations for training in many different building trades crafts.

Subcommittee members agreed this is a very important topic, requiring a lot of information. They added that having experts in the field attending the meeting was very helpful, but there are still many questions concerning the CWAs. They requested more information be presented at a future meeting before the topic is presented to the entire Board of Education.

Staff indicated that meetings will be held to analyze the information that was presented and to formalize questions for Mr. Kovacich and Mr. Perez. The data will be presented for further discussion at a future subcommittee meeting. It was also requested that field trips to regional apprenticeship programs be scheduled.

Subcommittee members thanked those in attendance for their participation and for the information that was presented.

3. **Deferred Maintenance – 2018-2019 Summary List**

Item will be presented at a future subcommittee meeting.

4 **Measure O Projects Signs**

Item will be presented at a future subcommittee meeting.

5. **Schedule of Meetings**

The subcommittee's next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in Room 6 at the Riverside Adult School, 6735 Magnolia Ave., Riverside, CA 92506.

Conclusion

Subcommittee Members Comments

There were no comments from subcommittee members.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.