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**RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2016
BOARD ROOM
6735 MAGNOLIA AVENUE, RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mr. Brent Lee, Board Vice President, called the Board meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Brent Lee, Board Vice President; Mrs. Patricia Lock-Dawson, Board Clerk; Mrs. Kathy Allavie, Member; and Dr. Angelov Farooq, Member.

Also present were District Superintendent, Dr. David C. Hansen; and other interested citizens.

Mr. Tom Hunt, Board President, was not able to attend the meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON CLOSED SESSION MATTERS

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

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 4:32 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

1. Consideration of Public Employee Appointment Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Title: Elementary Assistant Principals; Program Specialist, Special Education; Classified Personnel Administrator; and Middle School Principal

2. Consideration of Pupil Services Matters Pursuant to Education Code Sections 35146 and 48918

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 5:32 p.m. Mr. Lee announced that the following action was taken by the Board during Closed Session:

It was moved by Mrs. Lock-Dawson and seconded by Mrs. Allavie and was approved by the following roll call vote to appoint Dr. Ratmony Yee, Principal, Sierra Middle School; Ms. Shanell Semien, Program Specialist, Special Education; Mrs. Dawn Brawley, Assistant Principal, Alcott Elementary School; Ms. Jennifer Jackson, Assistant Principal, Monroe/Madison Elementary Schools; Ms. Denise Guthaus, Assistant Principal, Taft/Beatty Elementary Schools; Ms. Shayna Golbaf, Assistant Principal, Jackson Elementary School; and Mr. Marcus Ridley, Classified Personnel Manager:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to our flag was led by Dr. Kirk Lewis, Assistant Superintendent, Operations, and Mrs. Susan Mills, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel – Leadership and Development.

SECTION A – Study Session

A.1 STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Math) Education in Riverside Unified School District (RUSD)

Mrs. Lynn Carmen Day, Chief Academic Officer, introduced Mr. Brad Shearer, Director, Elementary Education; Mr. John Robertson, Instructional Services Specialist; and Ms. Victoria Bergsagel, Founder and President, Architects for Achievement; who reviewed a PowerPoint regarding STEM education in RUSD with an emphasis on the impact of a potential STEM Center at the University of California, Riverside (UCR).

The following individuals addressed the Board members: Mr. Gordon Bourns, Bourns Inc., regarding the STEP Conference and Dean Thomas Smith, UCR, regarding STEM.

SECTION B – CONCLUSION

B.1 Board Members' Comments

Mr. Lee mentioned this is the last meeting for Dr. Lewis and Mrs. Mills and thanked them for their service.

Mrs. Allavie thanked staff for their hard work on the Study Session.

Dr. Farooq thanked staff as well.

Mrs. Lock-Dawson commended staff and thanked the STEM Committee members for their efforts.

Dr. Hansen thanked the STEM parents, our community partners, and the Board members for their leadership with this endeavor.

Mr. Lee thanked Mrs. Allavie for spearheading this work and Mrs. Lock-Dawson for her assistance, and he thanked the committee members for their hard work. He discussed the Riverside City College (RCC) Performing Arts Center, and he stated that every single room was amazing and suggested that it would be worthwhile for the committee members to look at the center to see the type of building that is possible.

Adjournment

Mr. Lee adjourned the Public Session at 7:25 p.m.

Patricia Lock-Dawson
Clerk
Board of Education