

**MINUTES**

**RIALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**February 23, 2022**

**Dr. John R. Kazalunas Education Center  
182 East Walnut Avenue  
Rialto, California**

**Board Members**

**Present:**

**Edgar Montes, President  
Stephanie E. Lewis, Vice President  
Nancy G. O'Kelley, Clerk  
Joseph W. Martinez, Member  
Dina Walker, Member**

**Board Members**

**Absent:**

**Julian Hunter, Student Board Member**

**Administrators**

**Present:**

**Cuauhtémoc Avila, Ed.D., Superintendent  
Darren McDuffie, Ed.D., Lead Strategic Agent: Strategic,  
Congruence and Social Justice  
Patricia Chavez, Ed.D., Lead Innovation Agent  
Diane Romo, Lead Business Services Agent  
Rhonda Kramer, Lead Personnel Agent  
Also present was Martha Degortari, Executive Administrative  
Agent and Jose Reyes, Interpreter/Translator**

**A. OPENING**

**A.1 CALL TO ORDER - 6:00 p.m.**

The regular Board Meeting of the Board of Education of the Rialto Unified School District was called to order at 6:00 p.m., by Board President, Edgar Montes at the Dr. John R. Kazalunas Education Center, at 182 E. Walnut Avenue, Rialto, California 92376.

**A.2 OPEN SESSION**

None.

**A.2.1 Comments on Closed Session Agenda Items**

Any person wishing to speak on any item on the Closed Session Agenda will be granted three minutes.

**A.3 CLOSED SESSION**

**Moved By** Member Martinez

**Seconded By** Clerk O'Kelley

As provided by law, the following are the items for discussion and consideration at the Closed Session of the Board Meeting:

**Board Member Walker was not present during this vote. Vote by Board Members to move into Closed Session:**

Time: 6:03 p.m.

**Approved by a Unanimous 4 to 0 Vote**

**A.3.1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE  
EMPLOYMENT/DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE/REASSIGN  
MENT OF EMPLOYEES (GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION  
54957)**

**A.3.2 STUDENT EXPULSIONS/REINSTATEMENTS/EXPULSION  
ENROLLMENTS**

**A.3.3 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**

Agency designated representatives: Cuauhtémoc Avila, Ed.D., Superintendent; Rhea McIver Gibbs, Ed.D., Lead Personnel Agent, Personnel Services; and Rhonda Kramer, Lead Personnel Agent, Personnel Services.

Employee organizations: California School Employees Association, Chapter 203 (CSEA), Rialto Education Association (REA), Communications Workers of America (CWA)

**A.3.4 REVIEW OF LIABILITY CLAIM 21-22-07**

**A.4 ADJOURNMENT OF CLOSED SESSION**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

**Member Walker arrived at 6:10 p.m.**

**Vote by Board Members to adjourn out of Closed Session:**

**Time: 7:08 p.m.**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**A.5 OPEN SESSION RECONVENED - 7:00 p.m.**

Open session reconvened at 7: 08 p.m.

**A.6 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board Member Martinez, led the pledge of allegiance.

**A.7 REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

None.

**A.8 ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Vice President Lewis

**Vote by Board Members to adopt the agenda:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**B. PRESENTATIONS**

**B.1 MIDDLE SCHOOL - DISTRICT STUDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DSAC)**

The following DSAC Middle School leaders shared information and activities held at their schools:

Kolb Middle School - Olivia Arechiga

Jehue Middle School - Tiffany Alvarez

Rialto Middle School - Margaret Valencia

Kucera Middle School - Ashley Luviano

**B.2 RIALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT'S JOURNEY TO STANDARDS BASED GRADING**

~~Presentation on Rialto Unified School District's Journey to Standards Based Grading by Patricia Chavez, Ed.D., Innovation Agent; Manuel Burciaga, Ed.D., Lead Academic Agent: Secondary; Elizabeth Curtiss, Lead Academic Agent: Elementary Innovation; Jeremy Davis, Eisenhower High School Teacher.~~

**Moved By** Member Martinez

**Seconded By** Clerk O'Kelley

The Board approved to table Presentations B.2 and B.4 for the next Board Meeting.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**B.3 MID-YEAR SUPPLEMENT TO THE ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE LOCAL CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN**

Presentation on the mid-year supplement to the annual update to the Local Control and Accountability Plan by Marina Madrid, Ed.D., Agent: Multilingual Programs.

Marina Madrid, Ed.D., Agent: Multilingual Programs conducted a presentation on the mid-year supplement to the annual update to the Local Control and Accountability Plan. (See attached copy)

**B.4 STAFFING AND RECRUITING UPDATE**

~~Presentation on staffing and recruitment by Lead Personnel Agents; Rhea Melver Gibbs, Ed.D. and Rhonda Kramer.~~

**C. COMMENTS**

**C.1 PUBLIC COMMENTS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

At this time, any person wishing to speak on any item not on the Agenda will be granted three minutes.

Prior to Public Comments, Board President Montes read a statement regarding student health and welfare being a top priority and shared that the Board will do everything in its power to ensure that schools are safe for every student. A matter recently came to the Board's attention, and they

will take immediate steps to review this matter and surrounding allegations. He explained that due to the confidentiality and privacy laws, the District could not comment on any specific students or employees or discuss any actions taken relating to students or staff. The District will fully cooperate with law enforcement and will conduct its own internal review consistent with its legal obligations and take appropriate action, if necessary.

**Samantha Hernandez, Attorney** representing the victim of sexual assault and her parents on an incident that took place at Carter High School in or around November 2021. She indicated that she was not here to discuss the incident, but to ask the Board if based on charges brought by the District Attorney whether the Board planned to take any legal action against the two Vice Principals. She indicated that a press conference would be held this Friday, at 1:00 p.m.

**Max Mesa, Alumni from CHS** and also one of the organizers of the protest at Carter High School, shared that she was here to stand up for Johanna, the student who was sexually harassed at Carter High School, and to also stand up for herself, at the age of 15, when she was also a victim of sexual harassment. She shared details of the events that she went through and how it affected her. She explained that she was afraid report it and did not do so until five months later. She pleaded that the schools stop covering up for staff and start protecting the students being harassed. She commented that she was disappointed at the Carter High School staff and reminded them that they are mandated reporters who are supposed to report and not cover up.

**Nicole Rojas, Parent** of two children in the District shared that she was here to speak regarding the mask mandate. She asked what the District is doing to bring this mask mandate to an end and to allow the children not to have to wear masks to school and be able to see their smiling faces. She asked what the District is doing to avoid the vaccine mandate and allow children to receive the education this nation promised. She asked what the District is doing to allow teachers to teach without masks and allow the children to see their faces. She asked that the District not be one to segregate students who choose not to wear masks or be vaccinated.

Mrs. Rojas asked the District to make the mask and vaccine a choice of the parents and the staff. She mentioned other districts who have made masks and vaccines a choice. She indicated that she is aware of the District restrictions, since she also works for a school district. She mentioned that the District receives funding for student attendance; and stated that the

District would avoid losing that funding by allowing parents to choose and keeping students enrolled in the District.

Mrs. Rojas requested that the Board taste the school lunches that are being served to the students because, according to her, they are horrible. She said she will be back for future Board meetings in hopes of having answers to her questions.

**Michelle Cates, Executive Director of Partners against Violence**, formally known as San Bernardino Sexual Assault Services, which has served this area for the last 15 years. She shared the services they provide, which include free counseling. They also provide evidence-based prevention education classes, which reduce risk factors for sexual violence, advocacy, and support. Students who have been victims of sexual violence have rights and have a right to an advocate. She said they are here to express the support for those victims who came forward and to support the District. Ms. Cates provided the Board with informational pamphlets, their 24-hour crisis hotline, and email as follows: (909) 885-8884, or [www.partnersagainstviolence.org](http://www.partnersagainstviolence.org).

**Evelyn Dominguez, Boyd Elementary School Parent**, thanked Dr. Avila for his support in providing additional aides for the school. She shared how this has already made a difference in her son, who has gone from being below grade level to now being above grade level. She said that she will continue to advocate for getting aides for the other school sites.

Mrs. Dominguez shared that she is still waiting for answers regarding the garden incident, but thanked the District for making it a positive experience for the students. She then commented that the maintenance in the school bathroom continues to be an issue. Her son tells her that the bathrooms are dirty. She is also concerned about Saturday school, not just at Boyd Elementary but also at all the schools. Mrs. Dominguez indicated that she will continue bringing issues to the Board and will continue advocating to make the District a better place for all students.

**Tobin Brinker, Frisbie Middle School Teacher**, shared that whenever he shares that he teaches middle school, he gets bad looks, but he loves what he does. He said it is a tough job, and said this week was especially difficult because the school site was without internet. He commented that it came back on today for a while and then went out again. He was told that it was an AT&T issue and not a District issue. He feels that someone should have been on the phone with AT&T on Friday to make sure it was back on Tuesday. He explained that this is very tough on teachers and fears that

the District will lose many of its good new teachers because they are not provided with the basics.

**Michael Montano, Rialto High School Teacher**, explained that he was not going to be here tonight, but heard about the presentation on grading which was on the agenda. He shared that he met with Dr. Chavez and Dr. Burciaga regarding grading, although it may be too late for this year, he is hopeful it will be better next school year. He also thanked Rhonda Kramer for allowing him release time to be part of the CTA teacher think tank event coming up in May.

**Mirna Ruiz, Community Member**, shared that she was here to invite everyone to the Alianza Latina meeting coming up on March 8, 2022. It will be held in-person at the Chavez/Huerta Bistro starting at 6:00 p.m. She also congratulated Nutrition Services for their wonderful event last Friday.

Ms. Ruiz also questioned the Board as to why the District is not making progress in Special Education. She shared her frustration as to why staff is resigning and why IEP's are still out of compliance. She said she will continue coming to Board meetings until something is done.

**Cheyenne Massey, Mother of Six year old student**, shared her concerns regarding the mask mandate. She works in a pediatrician's office and misses seeing the children's faces. She shared that her son seems miserable. She received a message last week from the District, but was confused because it mentioned removing the mask mandate, but it was only for vaccinated individuals. She questioned this because both vaccinated and unvaccinated can catch the virus. She feels masks are not working and questioned why children are still wearing them. She said the Health Department has indicated that the cloth masks are not working and it is not right that children are being forced to wear them. She knows many schools across the state are no longer mandating them.

## **C.2 PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Any person wishing to speak on any item on the Agenda will be granted three minutes.

**Tobin Brinker, Frisbie Middle School Teacher**, stated that the item he was going to speak on was pulled from the agenda. He will reserve his comments once the item is brought back on the agenda.

**Michael Montano, Rialto High School Teacher**, also stated that his comments were for item B.2 that was pulled from the agenda. He will also reserve his comments for when it is brought back on the agenda.

### **C.3 COMMENTS FROM ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS**

Rialto Education Association (REA), California School Employees Association (CSEA), Communications Workers of America (CWA), Rialto School Managers Association (RSMA).

**Teresa Robinson, Rialto Education Association (REA) Negotiating Chair**, presented their proposal to the Board and shared that it may seem a little aggressive, but she asked that they understand the times we are in and they are submitting it on behalf of their members. She requested that the Board keep in mind that the State put plans in place for the schools.

**Christopher Cordasco, California School Employees Association (CSEA) President**, shared that he wanted to advocate on behalf of the classified staff at Carter High School. He said that with the recent situation, staff is feeling mentally stressed. He recommended that Dr. Avila take some time next week to visit them to see how they are doing. He said they would appreciate that.

**Miesha Calloway, Rialto Education Association (REA) President**, shared that there are many concerns regarding the grading policy, which is a big topic this year at the secondary level. She said Education Services has done a good job on keeping them informed, but there are still many concerns. She requested on behalf of her members that things be rolled out properly and indicated that the policy will soon be presented to the Board, and it will eventually become a policy. However, she said that this policy has been used this year and it was not rolled out properly. She will come back and share the concerns regarding the policy.

Ms. Calloway also shared her frustration with teachers not having what they need which results in not doing what is best for students. She shared that there continues to be independent study teachers and reminded the District of the importance of having internet. She shared about a teacher whose students took it upon themselves to purchase internet for the teacher. She said it is a big concern when these simple things cannot be figured out and questioned when the District is going to make sure that teachers have what they need.

Ms. Calloway also shared the concern with safety. She indicated that there needs to be more safety officers at the secondary level. She indicated that



this is a big issue when fights are occurring. She shared an incident with a fight that broke out where a student told the teacher to step back for her own safety. She recommended the District stop showing beautiful slides when so much needs to be taken care of at the sites. She asked that the Board assist to make sure things happen faster and do what is best for students. She is asking that the Board assist them with this.

**C.4 COMMENTS FROM STUDENT BOARD MEMBER**

**C.5 COMMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT**

**C.6 COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**D. PUBLIC HEARING**

**D.1 PUBLIC INFORMATION**

**D.1.1 SECOND QUARTER WILLIAMS REPORT (OCTOBER -  
DECEMBER) FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022**

Second Quarter Williams Report (October - December) Fiscal Year  
2021-2022.

**D.2 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

**Vote by Board Members to open Public Hearing:**

Time: 8:40 pm

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**D.2.1 SECOND QUARTER – WILLIAMS UNIFORM COMPLAINT  
REPORT**

**D.3 CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

**Vote by Board Members to close Public Hearing:**

Time: 8:41 p.m.

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

All items on the Consent Calendar will be acted upon in one motion unless pulled by Board of Education members or the Superintendent for individual action.

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

**Vote by Board Members to approve Consent Calendar items, except for item 3.9 which will be voted on separately:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.1 GENERAL FUNCTIONS CONSENT ITEMS - None**

**E.2 INSTRUCTION CONSENT ITEMS - None**

**E.3 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL CONSENT ITEMS**

**E.3.1 WARRANT LISTING AND PURCHASE ORDER LISTING**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve Warrant Order Listing Register and Purchase Order Listing for all funds from January 21, 2022 through February 3, 2022. (Sent under separate cover to Board Members). A copy for public review will be available at the Board Meeting.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.3.2 DONATIONS**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Accept the listed donations from Box Tops for Education; Kroger; Russel & Linda Silva; Ringie & Willie Santiago; Priscilla Duran Veliz; Mary Martin-Myers; and Guadalupe Camacho, and request that a letter of appreciation be sent to the donor.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.3.3 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA RIVERSIDE (UCR) FOR THE BILINGUAL AUTHORIZATION (BILA) PROGRAM**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve a partnership with the University of California at Riverside University Extension Professional Studies for the 2021-2022 academic year to provide 10 - 25 teachers with the Bilingual Authorization Program, effective February 24, 2022 through June 30, 2022, at a cost not-to-exceed \$20,700.00, and to be paid from the General Fund.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.3.4 APPROVAL TO ATTEND CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FOR BILINGUAL EDUCATION (CABE) 2022 ANNUAL VIRTUAL CONFERENCE**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve seventy (70) Rialto Unified School District parents/guardians who are District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) representatives and/or parents of English Learners, to attend the CABE 2022 Annual Virtual Conference from March 29, 2022 through April 2, 2022, at a cost not-to-exceed \$25,000.00, and to be paid from Title III (Limited English Proficient Fund).

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.3.5 DISCARD DISCONTINUED INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve the discarding of discontinued instructional materials from the Maintenance and Operations warehouse, effective February 24, 2022 through June 30, 2022, at no cost to the District.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.3.6 COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL SAFETY PLANS 2021-2022**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve the Comprehensive School Safety Plans for all Rialto Unified School District schools for the 2021-2022 school year.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.3.7 PHYSICAL EDUCATION EXEMPTION**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve exemption from all physical activities for Student 642231 for the first semester of the 2021-2022 school year.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.3.8 AGREEMENT WITH ALL FOR KIDZ, INC.**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve an agreement with All for Kidz, Inc. to provide a virtual assembly "The Original NED Show" at Trapp Elementary School,

effective February 24, 2022 through June 30, 2022, at a cost not-to-exceed \$1,400.00, and to be paid from the General Fund (Title I).

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

#### **E.3.10 AGREEMENT WITH LAMAR ADVERTISING**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve an agreement with LAMAR Advertising for the District Registration Center advertising campaign from March 1, 2022 through September 11, 2022, at a cost not-to-exceed \$23,800.00, and to be paid from the Child Development Fund.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

#### **E.3.11 AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH PIVOTAL BEHAVIORAL AND EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Amend the agreement with Pivotal Behavior and Educational Services to add funds to provide Independent Educational Evaluation and services in the area of Educationally Related Mental Health, effective February 24, 2022 through June 30, 2022, at a cost not-to-exceed \$6,000.00, and to be paid from the General Fund.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.3.12 AGREEMENT WITH SAFARI MONTAGE**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve an agreement with SAFARI Montage to provide curated educational digital resources, effective March 1, 2022, through June 30, 2022, at a cost not-to-exceed \$30,000.00, and to be paid from the General Fund.

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.3.13 AGREEMENT WITH STEMulate LEARNING**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve an agreement with STEMulate Learning to provide an 8-week after school math program for a maximum of twenty-five (25) fourth and fifth grade students at Hughbanks Elementary School, effective February 28, 2022 through April 29, 2022, at a cost not-to-exceed \$5,700.00, and to be paid from the General Fund.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.3.9 AGREEMENT WITH COULD IT BE DYSLEXIA**

**Moved By** Vice President Lewis

**Seconded By** Clerk O'Kelley

Approve an agreement with Could it Be Dyslexia (CIBD) for one elementary student at Werner Elementary School for the 2021-2022 school year, effective February 24, 2022 through June 30, 2022, at a cost not-to-exceed \$1,500.00, and to be paid from the Site General Fund.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.4 FACILITIES PLANNING CONSENT ITEMS - None**

**E.5 PERSONNEL SERVICES CONSENT ITEMS**

**E.5.1 PERSONNEL REPORT NO. 1272 FOR CLASSIFIED AND CERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve Personnel Report No. 1272 for classified and certificated employees.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.5.2 RESOLUTION NO. 21-22-33 - NON-REELECTION OF CERTIFICATED PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Adopt Resolution No. 21-22-33 for Non-Reelection of Certificated Probationary Employees.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E.6 MINUTES**

**E.6.1 MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 9, 2022**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education meeting held February 9, 2022.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**E. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

**E.3 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL CONSENT ITEMS**

**E.3.9 AGREEMENT WITH COULD IT BE DYSLEXIA**

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**Seconded By** Clerk O'Kelley

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**Vote by Board Members:** **Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**F. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**F.1 EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR (ESY) PROGRAM 2021-2022**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Vice President Lewis

Approve the proposed plan, calendar and schedule for the 2021-2022 Extended School Year (ESY) Program for all eligible students with disabilities, at a cost not-to-exceed \$600,000.00, and to be paid from the General Fund.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Ayes (5):** President Montes, Vice President Lewis, Clerk O'Kelley, Member Martinez, and Member Walker

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote (5 to 0)**

**F.2 2022 SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve the proposed student eligibility and priority plan, course of study, calendar, and schedule of classes for the 2022 School Summer Program, at a cost not-to-exceed \$1,300,000.00, and to be paid from the General Fund.



**Vote by Board Members:**

Ayes (5): President Montes, Vice President Lewis, Clerk O'Kelley, Member Martinez, and Member Walker

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote (5 to 0)**

**F.3 AGREEMENT WITH THINK TOGETHER, INC. FOR EXPANDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM (ELOP)**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Martinez

Approve an agreement with Think Together, Inc. a non-profit corporation, to augment After School Education and Safety (ASES) programs operating within the district, offering additional expanded learning services during school days and non-instructional days during the 2021-2022 school year, effective March 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022, at a cost not-to-exceed \$2,102,655.00, and to be paid from the General Fund (Expanded Learning Opportunity Fund).

**Vote by Board Members:**

Ayes (5): President Montes, Vice President Lewis, Clerk O'Kelley, Member Martinez, and Member Walker

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote (5 to 0)**

**F.4 AGREEMENT WITH BOOK NOOK TUTORING**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Approve an agreement with Book Nook to provide twenty-four (24) virtual afterschool tutoring sessions for three hundred and two students (302) in grades 3, 4 and 5 from underserved populations at the sites listed in the chart above, effective February 24, 2022 through June 30, 2022, at a cost not-to-exceed \$101,029.00, and to be paid from Site Funds (Title I, Extended Learning Opportunity, or McKinney Vento).

**Vote by Board Members:**

Ayes (5): President Montes, Vice President Lewis, Clerk O'Kelley, Member Martinez, and Member Walker

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote (5 to 0)**

**F.5 RESOLUTION NO. 21-22-31 NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Vice President Lewis

Adopt Resolution No. 21-22-31 declaring March 7-11, 2022, as NATIONAL SCHOOL BREAKFAST WEEK, and encourages all citizens to recognize the efforts made by schools, their food service directors, and cafeteria staff to ensure the health, safety, and success of our children.

**Vote by Board Members:**

Ayes (5): President Montes, Vice President Lewis, Clerk O'Kelley, Member Martinez, and Member Walker

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote (5 to 0)**

**F.6 RESOLUTION NO. 21-22-32 - APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF GENERAL FUND GRANT FUNDS FOR THE RIALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT INTERNATIONAL HEALING GARDEN PROJECT**

**Moved By** Vice President Lewis

**Seconded By** Clerk O'Kelley

Adopt Resolution No. 21-22-32 approving the acceptance of General Fund grant funds for the Rialto Unified School District International Healing Garden project.

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**F.7 2022 BALLOT FOR CSBA DELEGATE ASSEMBLY**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Martinez

The Rialto Unified School District Board of Education votes for the following as Delegates(s) to the California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly:

**Candidates:** (Vote for no more than six candidates) \*denotes incumbent

- Heather Allgood (Helendale SD)
- Christina Cameron-Otero (Needles USD)\*
- Barbara Dew (Victor Valley Union HSD)\*
- Cindy Gardner (Rim of the World USD)\*
- Clayton Moore (Victor ESD)
- James O'Neill (Redlands USD)\*
- Scott Wyatt (San Bernardino City USD)\*

**Vote by Board Members:**

Ayes (5): President Montes, Vice President Lewis, Clerk O'Kelley, Member Martinez, and Member Walker

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

**F.8 LIABILITY CLAIM REJECTION**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

Deny Liability Claim No. 21-22-07.

**Vote by Board Members:**

Ayes (5): President Montes, Vice President Lewis, Clerk O'Kelley, Member Martinez, and Member Walker

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote (5 to 0)**

**F.9 ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

**Case Numbers:**

21-22-35

21-22-32

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Ayes (5):** President Montes, Vice President Lewis, Clerk O'Kelley, Member Martinez, and Member Walker

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote (5 to 0)**

**F.10 STIPULATED EXPULSION**

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Martinez

**Case Number:**

21-22-33

**Vote by Board Members:**

**Ayes (5):** President Montes, Vice President Lewis, Clerk O'Kelley, Member Martinez, and Member Walker

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote (5 to 0)**

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Rialto Unified School District will be held on March 9, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Dr. John Kazalunas Education Center, 182 East Walnut Avenue, Rialto, California.

Materials distributed or presented to the Board of Education at the Board Meeting are available upon request from the Superintendent's Office.

**Moved By** Clerk O'Kelley

**Seconded By** Member Walker

**Vote by Board Members to adjourn:**

Time: 9:02 p.m.

Ayes (5): President Montes, Vice President Lewis, Clerk O'Kelley, Member Martinez, and Member Walker

**Approved by a Unanimous Vote**

  
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# Mid-Year Supplement to the Annual Update to the Local Control Accountability Plan

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## Background

Section 124(e) of Assembly Bill 130 requires Local Education Agencies to present a mid-year update to the 2021–2022 LCAP with a budget overview for parents on or before February 28, 2022.

This presentation includes the following:

- The Supplement to the Annual Update for the 2021–22 LCAP;
- Available mid-year outcome data related to metrics identified in the 2021–22 LCAP; and
- Mid-year expenditure and implementation data on actions identified in the 2021–22 LCAP.



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# Impact to the Budget Overview for Parents

When the Rialto Unified School District adopted our LCAP and Budget on June 23, 2021, the state budget act was not complete. The adopted state budget included additional funds that were not anticipated by our district. The impact to our adopted Budget Overview for Parents is as follows:

Item	As adopted in BOP	Amount per Budget Act
Total LCFF Funds	\$219,918,901	\$219,931,575
LCFF Supplemental/ Concentration Grants	\$75,095,032	\$86,141,173

## Who are Educational Partners for the LCAP process?

Students, Parents, Teachers, Classified staff, Administrators, Local Bargaining Units and Community Members.



## How have we engaged our Educational Partners in the LCAP supplemental process?

- Outreach through social media posts, automated calls, district email
- Virtual Community Meetings
- Presentation/feedback sessions with advisory committees
- Feedback through surveys

## Prompt 1: Educational Partner Engagement for Budget Act funds

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### Educational Partner Feedback on Educator Effectiveness Block Grant:

- Provide flexible opportunities for staff to complete Professional Development.
- Address learning gaps created during the pandemic.
- Provide educators with training on culturally and linguistically responsive pedagogy.

Educational Partner Feedback virtual meetings are scheduled in February and March for input on actions to implement for the:

- A-G Completion Improvement Grant
- Expanded Learning Opportunities Program
- Pre-K Planning and Implementation



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## Prompt 2: Use of additional Concentration Funding to increase staff providing direct services to students

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### Actions:

1. Hire 10 first grade co-teachers
2. Hire 63 Reading Specialists
3. Hire 4 additional counselors at the Middle School level
4. Hire 6 Success Strategists to support social emotional learning
5. Hire 23 Bilingual Instructional Assistants for the Dual Language Immersion program
6. Hire 32 behavioral support assistants
7. Hire 10 workability liaisons
8. Hire 15 Instructional assistants to support students receiving SPED services
9. Hire 1 additional Intervention Strategist
10. Hire 1 additional school teacher
11. Hire 3 additional Career Technical Education teachers



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## Prompt 3: Educational Partner Engagement for One-Time Federal Funds

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Communication with Educational Partners increased during the COVID 19 pandemic through development of the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan, the 2021-2022 LCAP, the Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan and the ESSER III Expenditure Plan and has continued in the following ways:

- Surveys for both parents and students
- Feedback through parent group and advisory committee meetings
- Town Hall Meetings
- Google Meet COVID 19 focus groups with site administrators

## Prompt 4: Implementation of the Emergency Relief Expenditure Plan (ESSER III):

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### Health

- Purchase of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Facilities Upgrade and Maintenance
  - Including upgrades to HVAC system
- COVID Health Technician

### Lost Instructional Time

- Expanded Summer School Program
- After School Tutoring Program
- Increased and updated technology

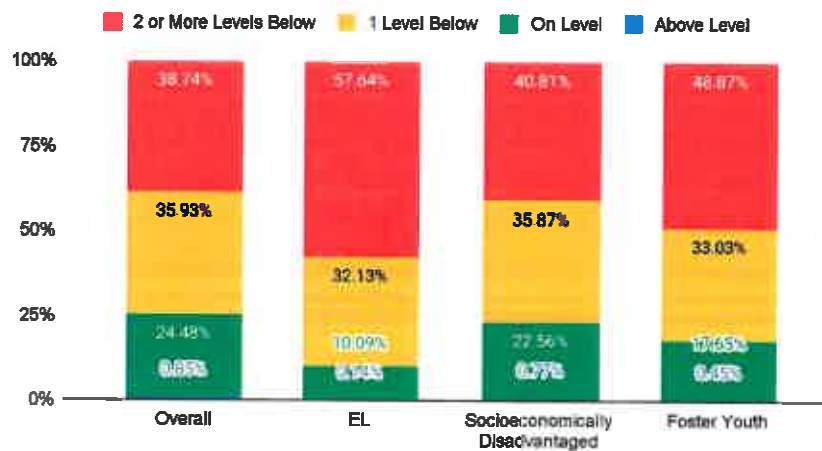
## Prompt 5: Using fiscal resources consistent with LCAP:

Rialto Unified School District's state, local and federal funds reached approximately \$423,000,000 for the 2021-2022 school year.

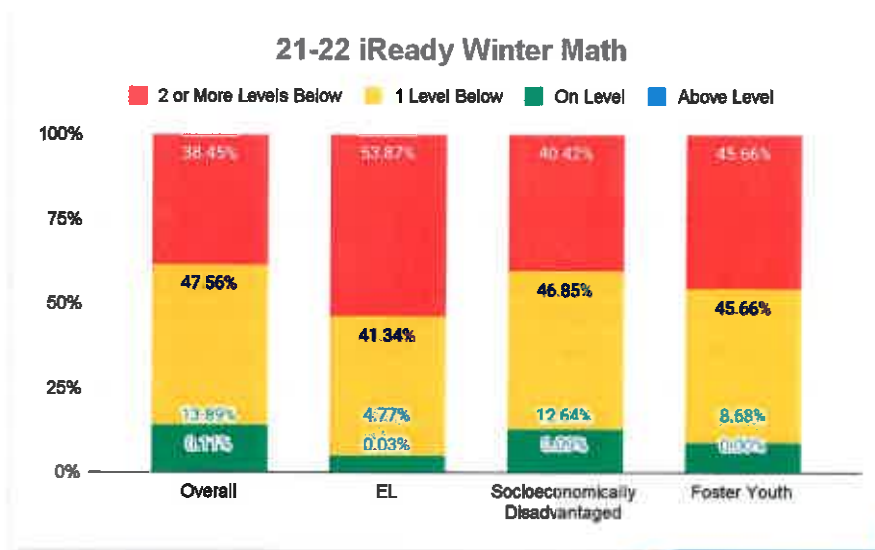
- The total allocation of funds includes approximately \$13 million dollars in federal relief funds from the federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Expenditure plan (ESSER III).
- Approximately 76% of the total funds have been spent on actions related to our district LCAP goals:
  1. Increase academic achievement for all students
  2. Support for student learning through highly qualified teachers and professional learning communities
  3. Create a positive, safe and engaging learning environment that is student and parent centered

## Mid-year Update: iReady ELA

21-22 iReady Winter ELA



# Mid-year Update: iReady Math



## LCAP Goal I: Achievement

All Rialto USD students will succeed at every grade level and graduate high school demonstrating readiness for higher education, career, and life in the 21st Century.



## LCAP Goal 1 – Metrics

Metric	2020-21 Baseline	Desired Outcome for 2023-24	2021-22 Mid-Year Update	Status
A-G Comp. Rate	45.3 %	58%	In Progress	In Progress
Graduation Rate	93% (20-21)	96%	In Progress	In Progress
iReady ELA	3-5th gr: 37% at or above 6th - 8th gr: 33% at or above End of Year	3-5th gr: 42% at or above 6th - 8th gr: 38% at or above End of Year	3rd-5th gr: 28.21% 6th-8th gr: 22.87% Spring	In Progress
iReady Math	3-5th gr: 25% at or above 6th - 8th gr: 27% at or above End of Year	3-5th gr: 30% at or above 6th - 8th gr: 32% at or above End of Year	3rd-5th gr: 12.44% 6th-8th gr: 15.66% Spring	In Progress

## LCAP Goal 1 – Actions

Action Title	Budgeted Expenditure	Implementation Progress	Implementation Note
<i>Literacy and Numeracy Initiative</i>	\$10,305,398	80%	10 1st grade classrooms with co-teachers. 63 Reading Specialists, 5 district coaches to support and train teachers and parents.
<i>Dual Language Immersion</i>	\$240,114	82%	Expansion of program to 5 more sites. Transition of founding program sites to Middle School
<i>TK-12 Independent Study Expansion</i>	\$442,340	357% (\$1,580,845)	Demand for the Independent Study Program created the opportunity to open a program at elementary and middle school with almost 700 students enrolled.
<i>Technology Devices and Instructional Technology Assistants</i>	\$23,452,320	115%	We are currently 1 to 1 on technology devices for students. We are in the process of moving to chromebooks for 1st grade. All ITA positions are filled except for 1.

## LCAP Goal 2: Conditions for Learning

Rialto USD will ensure all students are provided with access and opportunities to support learning with highly qualified teachers and professional learning communities that promote a culture of continuous improvement for student achievement.



## LCAP Goal 2 - Metrics

<b>Metric</b>	<b>2020-21 Baseline</b>	<b>Desired Outcome for 2023-24</b>	<b>2021-22 Mid-Year Update</b>	<b>Status</b>
<i>Frequency of Science Instruction at Elementary</i>	<i>Baseline to be determined in 2021-2022</i>	<i>60% of staff will self report science being taught 2 - 4 X's per week.</i>	<i>End of year progress survey will be conducted</i>	<i>In Progress</i>
<i>Alignment of instructional materials</i>	<i>Baseline to be determined in 2021-2022</i>	<i>50% K-8 Adoption of Science Textbook in 2021-2022</i>	<i>Adoption process has started. Committee is in piloting process</i>	<i>In Progress</i>
<i>Frequency of EL Instructional Strategies</i>	<i>Baseline to be determined in 2021-2022</i>	<i>80% of staff will self-report using EL Strat</i>	<i>End of year progress survey will be conducted</i>	<i>In Progress</i>

## LCAP Goal 2 – Actions

Action Title	Budgeted Expenditure	Implementation Progress	Implementation Note
<i>Implement Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Teaching</i>	\$296,335	<i>Beginning stage</i>	<i>Implemented at 4 elementary school sites. Will be implementing at 12 more next year.</i>
<i>Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Professional Development</i>	\$430,343	<i>Beginning Stage</i>	<i>Ongoing PD to support implementation of SEL Curriculum. PD had to be reorganized due to sub shortage.</i>
<i>Williams Textbook Requirement</i>	\$5,461,027	50%	<i>Textbook budget for the district to replace and purchase new core texts. Science adoption is underway.</i>

## LCAP Goal 3

Rialto USD will create a positive, safe and engaging learning environment that is student and parent centered.



## LCAP Goal 3 – Metrics

Metric	2020-21 Baseline	Desired Outcome for 2023-24	2021-22 Mid-Year Update	Status
Chronic Absentee Rate	16.8% (Latest reporting 2018-2019)	11.8%	34.3% (02/15/22)	In Progress
Graduation Rate	93%	96%	In Progress	In Progress
Suspension Rate	3.5%	2.5%	4.97% (02/15/22)	In Progress
Parent Survey	95% of English and 96% of Spanish speaking parents reported feeling welcome at their child's school.	Greater than 90% of parents visiting Rialto USD schools will report feeling welcome.	In Progress	In Progress

## LCAP Goal 3 – Actions

Action Title	Budgeted Expenditure	Implementation Progress	Implementation Note
Support for Homeless Youth	\$605,000	63%	Temporary housing has been provided to over 20 families.
Social Emotional Learning /Educational Related Mental Health Services	\$4,004,581	113%	Over 1000 students served by Therapeutical Behavior Specialists and Emotional Health Therapists
Wellness Centers	\$1,485,811	75%	Student Success Strategists hired for all middle schools and Milor/Zupanic.
District Enrollment Center	\$647,367	85%	Families have a central location to enroll their children in RUSD.

## Closing

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The continuing impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic, including the challenges of hiring staff, implementing health and safety protocols, and addressing learning acceleration needs due to the impacts of distance learning, has presented many challenges the first half of the school year.

Despite these challenges, the Rialto Unified School District is committed to implementing the LCAP to provide the necessary services to our students.

We acknowledge, and sincerely thank, the hard work and dedication of our employees, the support of our parents, and the resilience of our students to continue our reach for excellence.



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# Questions?

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