

MINUTES
RIALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

August 26, 2020
Dr. John R. Kazalunas Education Center
Meeting was held TELEPHONICALLY and available to the public
Via streamlined-audio only

Board Members

Present:

Nancy G. O’Kelley, President
Dina Walker, Vice-President
Joseph Martinez, Clerk
Joseph Ayala, Member
Edgar Montes, Member

Administrators

Present:

Cuauhtémoc Avila, Ed.D., Superintendent
Darren McDuffie, Ed.D., Lead Strategic Agent: Strategics,
Congruence and Social Justice
Also present was Martha Degortari, Executive Administrative Agent

A. OPENING

A.1 CALL TO ORDER - 6:30 p.m.

The regular Board meeting of the Board of Education, which was held telephonically and available to the public via streamlined audio only, was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

A.2 OPEN SESSION

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.

None.

A.3 CLOSED SESSION

Moved By Clerk Martinez
Seconded By Vice-President Walker

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

Vote by Board Members to move into Closed Session.

Time: 6:35 p.m.

Approved by a Unanimous 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.4 ADJOURNMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

Moved By Vice-President Walker
Seconded By Member Montes

Vote by Board Members to adjourn out of Closed Session.

Time: 7:04 p.m.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

A.5 OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

Open session reconvened at 7: 04 p.m.

A.6 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board President, Mrs. Nancy G. O'Kelley, led the pledge of allegiance.

A.7 REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

None.

A.8 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Vice-President Walker

Business Consent Item E.4.12 - Approval to use Virtual Environment Platform for District Events, was pulled from the agenda.

Vote by Board Members to adopt the agenda as amended.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

B. PRESENTATIONS - None

C. COMMENTS

C.1 PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

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

Kenya Gray, thanked the Rialto Unified School District for the services provided by the Nutrition Services Department, who she says has been a blessing to her family, the community, and the children she cares for at her child care center. She indicated that the services and sacrifices made on their behalf have not gone unnoticed. She is grateful for their commitment to serve this community.

C.2 PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

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

None.

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).

Superintendent, Dr. Avila, read the following public comment which was received via email:

Lisa Lindberg, REA President, thanked the Superintendent and his team for realizing the time, work, and personal money spent by our educators to make Distance Learning a success. She shared that the members were thrilled with the recent stipend. She also thanked them for their support and shared that they will continue to work collaboratively with all stakeholders to continue with a quality educational program despite the additional obstacles thrown their way.

C.4 COMMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

C.5 COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

D. PUBLIC HEARING- None

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 Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Business Consent Item E.4.12 was pulled from the Agenda.

Vote by Board Members to approve Consent Calendar Items.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.1 MINUTES

E.1.1 MINUTES - REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 12, 2020

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Approve the minutes of the regular Board Meeting of August 12, 2020.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.2 GENERAL FUNCTIONS CONSENT ITEMS

**E.2.1 FIRST READING OF REVISED BOARD POLICY 6146.1(a-h);
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Approve the first reading of revised Board Policy 6146.1(a-h); High School Graduation Requirements.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.3 INSTRUCTION CONSENT ITEMS

E.3.1 APPROVAL OF ZUPANIC HIGH SCHOOL'S APPLICATION FOR DASS (DASHBOARD ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL STATUS)

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Approve the DASS application for Zupanic High School for the 2020-2021 school year, at no cost to the District.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.4 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL CONSENT ITEMS

E.4.1 WARRANT AND PURCHASING ORDER LISTINGS

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Approve Warrant Listing and Purchase Order Listing for all funds from July 24, 2020 through August 6, 2020 (Sent under separate cover to Board Members). A copy for public review is available in the District's website.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.4.2 DONATIONS

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Accept the listed donations from Maria Merino; Chick-fil-A; Lifetouch National School Studios; Tina Hively, TNT Promotional Products, and request that a letter of appreciation be sent to the donor.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.4.3 FOOD RESEARCH AND ACTION (FRAC) AND NOURISHING NEIGHBORS PROGRAM GRANT

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Accept the Food Research and Action (FRAC) and Nourishing Neighbors Program Grant in the amount of \$50,000.00 with an implementation start date of August, 2020, at no cost to the District.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.4.4 AGREEMENT WITH CORWIN PRESS: ENGLISH LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT, ACTIVE LISTENING AND THE ELL SHADOWING PROTOCOL

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Approve an agreement with Corwin Press to provide six (6) days of virtual professional development in the area of Virtual English Language Development, active listening and oral language production for English language learners (ELLs) and the ELL Shadowing Protocol, effective August 27, 2020 through June 30, 2021, at a cost not-to-exceed \$12,870.00, and to be paid from the General Fund - Title III.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.4.5 AGREEMENT WITH EDPUZZLE INC.

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Approve an agreement with EdPuzzle Inc. to allow teachers to create or use exiting videos with their lesson plans, effective August 27, 2020 through June 30, 2021, at a cost not-to-exceed \$27,800.00, and to be paid from the General Fund,

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

**E.4.6 AGREEMENT WITH FRANKLIN COVEY “LEADER IN ME”
AT BEMIS ELEMENTARY, DOLLAHAN ELEMENTARY AND
FRISBIE MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Approve an agreement with Franklin Covey to provide support for the continued implementation of The Leader in Me which includes: Annual Membership Cost, Online Subscription, and Live/Virtual Training and Materials at Bemis Elementary (\$12,610.00), Dollahan Elementary (\$7,500.00), and Frisbie Middle Schools (\$12,869.48), effective August 27, 2020 through August 26, 2021, at a total cost not-to-exceed \$32,979.48, and to be paid from the General Fund - Site Title I.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

**E.4.7 AGREEMENT WITH INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATIONAL
PSYCHOLOGY, INC. – DR. JERRY TURNER**

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Approve an agreement with Individualized Educational Psychology, Inc. Dr. Jerry Turner, Licensed Educational Psychologist, to provide Independent Education Evaluation (IEE) effective August 27, 2020 through June 30, 2021, at a cost not-to-exceed \$4,650.00, and to be paid from the General Fund - Special Education Budget.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.4.8 AGREEMENT WITH SCREENCASTIFY LLC

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Approve an agreement with Screencastify to utilize the premium features of the Chrome extension, effective August 27, 2020 through July 31, 2021, at a cost not-to-exceed \$21,750.00, to be paid from the General Fund.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.4.9 AGREEMENT WITH TEACHER CREATED MATERIALS – FOR CULTURALLY AND LINGUISTICALLY RESPONSIVE TEACHING AND LEARNING PROGRAM AT WERNER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Approve an agreement with Teacher Created Materials for the Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Teaching and Learning Program at Werner Elementary School, effective August 27, 2020 through June 30, 2021, at a cost not-to-exceed \$13,311.02, and to be paid from the General Fund – Site Title I.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.4.10 AGREEMENT WITH FRONTLINE TECHNOLOGIES GROUP, LLC

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Ratify the agreement with Frontline Education for a one-year subscription to support district-wide monitoring of professional development for all staff effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, at a cost not-to-exceed \$39,238.90, and to be paid from the General Fund – Site Title I.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.4.11 AGREEMENT WITH SUSANNE SMITH ROLEY, OTD, OTR/L, FAOTA

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Approve an agreement with Susanne Smith Roley, OTD, OTR/L, FAOTA to complete Individual Education Evaluations (IEEs) in the area of occupational therapy for students, effective August 27, 2020 through June 30, 2021, at a cost not to exceed \$7,000.00, and to be paid from the General Fund - Special Education Budget.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E.5 FACILITIES PLANNING CONSENT ITEMS - None

E.6 PERSONNEL SERVICES CONSENT ITEMS

E.6.1 PERSONNEL REPORT NO. 1241 FOR CLASSIFIED AND CERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES

Moved By Member Montes

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Approve Personnel Report No. 1241 for classified and certificated employees.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

E. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

E.4 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL CONSENT ITEMS

E.4.12 APPROVAL TO USE VIRTUAL ENVIRONMENT PLATFORM FOR DISTRICT EVENTS

Item was pulled from the Agenda.

~~Approve the related costs to use a virtual environment platform for the virtual College and Career Fair, Parent Summit, and the Youth Climate Action Summit. Events will be scheduled between October 6, 2020 and May 31, 2021. These live events will be recorded and available for viewing through June 30, 2021, at a cost not to exceed \$25,000.00, and to be paid from the General Fund and CTEIG Fund.~~

F. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

F.1 AGREEMENT WITH PANORAMA EDUCATION

Moved By Clerk Martinez

Seconded By Vice-President Walker

Approve an agreement with Panorama Education to provide Social-Emotional Learning Measures and/or the Student Success Platform, effective August 27, 2020 through June 30, 2021, at an average cost of \$845.00 per Elementary School, and \$1,980.00 for each Middle School for the Social-Emotional Learning Measure only. For those schools purchasing the Social-Emotional Learning Measure and Student Success Platform, the average cost per elementary school will be \$4,240.00, \$8,460.00 for Middle Schools and \$14,480.00 for High Schools. The total overall cost is not-to-exceed \$112,626.50, and will be paid from General Fund – Site Title I.

Vote by Board Members.

Ayes (4): President O'Kelley, Vice-President Walker, Clerk Martinez, and Member Montes Noes (1): Member Ayala

Approved by a Majority Vote

F.2 AGREEMENT WITH SCHOLASTIC EDUCATION

Moved By Clerk Martinez

Seconded By Vice-President Walker

Approve an agreement with Scholastic Education for the Literacy Pro program to assist with independent reading at all elementary schools during the Bridge Academy (Distance Learning) and Hybrid instructional models at a cost not-to-exceed \$72,675.00 (\$3,825.00 x 19 elementary schools) and to provide professional development for all elementary teachers at a cost not-to-exceed \$21,078.00, for a combined total cost not-to-exceed \$93,753.00, effective August 27, 2020 through June 30, 2021, to be paid from the General Fund – District Title IV.

Vote by Board Members.

Ayes (4): President O'Kelley, Vice-President Walker, Clerk Martinez, and Member Montes Noes (1): Member Ayala

Approved by a Majority Vote

F.3 REINSTATEMENT OF EXPULSION

Moved By Vice-President Walker

Seconded By Clerk Martinez

Case Numbers:

19-20-41

18-19-46

18-19-28

18-19-12

16-17-66

16-17-44

Vote by Board Members.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote

G. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Rialto Unified School District will be held on September 9, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. **telephonically and via streamlined-only.**

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

Moved By Vice-President Walker

Seconded By Member Montes

Vote by Board Members to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned with a moment of silence in honor of Mrs. Elizabeth Najera, retired Bilingual Instructional Assistant of 27 years at Morgan Elementary School. Ms. Najera passed away on August 9, 2020.

Time: 7:40 p.m.

Approved by a Unanimous Vote



Clerk, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education