

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RIALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
DR. JOHN R. KAZALUNAS EDUCATION CENTER  
182 EAST WALNUT AVENUE, RIALTO, CA 92376**

January 6, 2016

**A. OPENING**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Rialto Unified School District was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by President O'Kelley at the Dr. John R. Kazalunas Education Center, 182 East Walnut Avenue, Rialto, CA 92376.

Members present: Nancy G. O'Kelley, President; Dina Walker, Vice President; and Joseph Ayala, Member. Joseph W. Martinez, Clerk, and Edgar Montes, Member, were absent.

Administrators present: Cuauhtémoc Avila, Ed.D., Superintendent; Edward D'Souza, Ph.D., Associate Superintendent, Secondary Instruction; Jasmin Valenzuela, Associate Superintendent, Elementary Instruction; Tom Haldorsen, Associate Superintendent, Personnel Services; and Mohammad Z. Islam, Associate Superintendent, Business Services. Also present was Rosie Williams, Executive Secretary.

President O'Kelley advised that a change had to be made to the Closed Session Agenda. Under Item 1, the following change was made:

1. Public Employee Employment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release/  
Reassignment of Employees (Government Code section 54957)

Administrative Appointment:

- Nutrition Services Supervisor
- ~~Fiscal Services Supervisor~~
- **School Psychologist**

(Ref. E 1.1)

## OPEN SESSION

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.

There were no comments.

## CLOSED SESSION

Upon a motion by Member Ayala, seconded by Vice President Walker, and approved by a unanimous 3-0 vote, the Board of Education entered into Closed Session at 6:10 p.m. to consider and discuss the following items:

1. Public Employee Employment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release/  
Reassignment of Employees (Government Code section 54957)

Administrative Appointment:

- Nutrition Services Supervisor
- ~~Fiscal Services Supervisor~~
- **School Psychologist**

2. Student Expulsions/Reinstatements/Expulsion Enrollments

3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Agency designated representatives: Cuauhtémoc Avila, Ed.D., Superintendent, and Tom Haldorsen, Associate Superintendent, Personnel Services

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

## ADJOURNMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

Upon a motion of Member Ayala, seconded by Vice President Walker, and passed by a unanimous 3-0 vote, Closed Session adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

## OPEN SESSION RECONVENED – 7:10 P.M.

Members present: Nancy G. O’Kelley, President; Dina Walker, Vice President; and Joseph Ayala, Member. Joseph W. Martinez, Clerk; Edgar Montes, Member; and Natalie Baca, Student Board Member, were absent.

Administrators present: Cuauhtémoc Avila, Ed.D., Superintendent; Edward D'Souza, Ph.D., Associate Superintendent, Secondary Instruction; Jasmin Valenzuela, Associate Superintendent, Elementary Instruction; Tom Haldorsen, Associate Superintendent, Personnel Services; and Mohammad Z. Islam, Associate Superintendent, Business Services. Also present was Rosie Williams, Executive Secretary to the Superintendent, and Luz Carson, Interpreter, American Language Services.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Linda Silva, CSEA President, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

Superintendent Avila reported that in Closed Session the Board of Education, by a unanimous 3-0 vote, took the following action:

- Accepted the administrative appointment of Michelle Magana-Boswell as Psychologist, Special Education.
- Accepted the request for a leave of absence for classified employee #1853235, January 11, 2016 through May 27, 2016.
- Accepted the request for a leave of absence for classified employee #1654825, February 18, 2016 through June 16, 2016.

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Upon a motion by Member Ayala, seconded by Vice President Walker the Agenda, as amended, was adopted by a unanimous 3-0 vote by the Board of Education.

Amended as follows: Under Item 1, the following change was made:

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## **B. PRESENTATIONS**

1. Curiosity Quest Rialto Environmental News

(Ref. E 1.3)

Joel Green, TV Host of PBS series Curiosity Quest, which is a television show that poses a problem to students and they have to develop a solution, shared a video of Trapp Elementary School, Jehue Middle School and Eisenhower High School students who participated in this project. The study problem the students were given is the following: "How to optimize the space in a community garden to provide the highest yield for the Community Senior Center." This episode will air on PBS starting at the end of the month.

**C. COMMENTS**

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.

Celia Zelaya, Coordinator for Special Education children and parents, thanked everyone who attended the Christmas celebration and for their generosity for the gifts they provided to the children with special needs.

Joe Baca, Jr., the City of Rialto's Mayor Pro Tem, invited the community to attend a free baseball and softball clinic this Saturday, January 9, 2016, at the 66er Stadium in San Bernardino from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. He thanked the Board for approving the Rialto High School trip to Hawaii for the Saint Francis School Pre-Season Softball Tournament. He also requested assistance from the District to have the Rialto High School foul poles delivered to Dynamic Power Coating, a local business, to be powder coated. The business owner, Teddy Harris, will be powder coating them as a donation if they are delivered to her place of business.

Ipyani Lockert, invited everyone to a Tamale Festival at Perris Hill Park, 1325 Highland Avenue, San Bernardino, this Saturday and Sunday, January 9 and 10, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

2. Public Comments on Agenda Items: Any person wishing to speak on any item **on** the Agenda will be granted three minutes.

There were no comments.

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)

Ron Fletcher, CWA President, shared that he will be working with Derek Harris, Senior Director, Risk Management/Employee Benefits, to get substitutes in compliance with legal requirements. He also shared his concerns regarding the shortage of substitutes and teachers.

4. Comments from the Superintendent
5. Comments from Members of the Board of Education

**D. PUBLIC HEARING**

Upon a motion by Vice President Walker, seconded by Member Ayala, Public Hearing was opened at 7:47 p.m. by a unanimous 3-0 vote by the Board of Education.

Any person wishing to speak on the items on the Public Hearing Agenda will be granted three minutes.

Diana McKee, Tammy Martin-Ryles, Rachel Molina, Yvonne Cervantes, and Pastor Carlos Martin, spoke in support of Transforming Lives Charter School. Ms. McKee conducted a PowerPoint presentation (see attached pages Ref. E 1.11 - Ref. E 1.17).

1. Public Hearing: Transforming Lives Charter School Petition

Upon a motion by Vice President Walker, seconded by Member Ayala, Public Hearing was closed at 8:24 p.m. by a unanimous 3-0 vote by the Board of Education.

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

Upon a motion by Member Ayala, seconded by Vice President Walker, Items E – J were approved by a unanimous 3-0 vote by the Board of Education.

**E. MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting held on December 9, 2015.

**F. GENERAL FUNCTIONS CONSENT ITEMS**

1. First reading of revised Board Policy 0410(a-d); Philosophy-Goals-Objectives and Comprehensive Plans; Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities.

(Ref. E 1.5)

2. First reading of revised Board Policy 1240(a-d); Community Relations: Volunteer Assistance.
3. First reading of revised Board Policy 4033(a-c); All Personnel: Lactation Accommodation.
4. First reading of revised Board Policy 5141.31(a-c); Students: Immunizations.
5. First reading of revised Board Policy 5145.3(a-d); Students: Nondiscrimination/Harassment.
6. First reading of revised Board Policy 5146(a-e); Students: Married/Pregnant/Lactating/Parenting Students.

**G. INSTRUCTION CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Adopt Resolution No. 15-16-31 recognizing January 23, 2016, as Ed Roberts Day and acknowledging the accomplishments of Ed Roberts in helping reduce barriers, increase access, and improve lives for persons with disabilities.
2. Adopt Resolution No. 15-16-32 recognizing January 18, 2016, as Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and encourages all teachers and schools to commemorate this day with appropriate school and community activities.
3. Adopt Resolution No. 15-16-33 proclaiming January 30, 2016, as Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties and the Constitution and encourages educational commemoration of this occasion with appropriate instructional activities.
4. Approve the Affiliation Agreement with Eisenhower High School and Adams Acres, effective January 7, 2016 through June 30, 2020.
5. Approve a string orchestra performance tour to San Diego, California, on March 17-19, 2016, for fifty-four (54) Carter High School string orchestra students, two (2) teachers, and six (6) parents.
6. Approve thirteen (13) student athletes (wrestlers) of the Carter High School girls wrestling team, three (3) coaches, and two (2) parent chaperones to attend the Vintage High School 18<sup>th</sup> Annual True Wrestler Napa Valley Girls Classic on January 7-10, 2016, at Vintage High School, Napa, California.

## **H. BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Approve Warrant Listing Register and Purchase Order Listing for all funds from November 16, 2015 through December 7, 2015 (sent under separate cover to Board Members). A copy for public review will be available at the Board Meeting.
2. Accept the donations from Silicon Valley Community Foundation - Edison International, The Way Bible Fellowship, College Board, and The Arts Institute of California - Inland Empire.
3. Accept Grant Award Number ARV-15-010 from the California Energy Commission for Phase I of the Rialto Unified School District Compressed Natural Gas Fueling Station and Transportation Yard in the amount of \$500,000.00, and authorize Mohammad Z. Islam, Associate Superintendent, Business Services, to sign all necessary documents.
4. Approve the participation of approximately sixty (60) Dunn Elementary School fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) grade students and four (4) staff members to attend an outdoor education camp at Pathfinder Outdoor Science School, Mountain Center, California, April 20-22, 2016.
5. Approve an agreement with CAL-Storm Compliance as the engineering firm to provide State-required inspections and reports in accordance with the Construction General Permit during the construction of the Compressed Natural Gas Fueling Station.
6. Approve an agreement with CAL-Storm Compliance as the engineering firm to prepare the State-required SWPPP and to provide inspections and reports in accordance with the Construction General Permit during the construction of the PDC Site Improvement Phase 1 – Drainage Project.
7. Approve extending the agreement with American Logistics Company under Request for Proposal No. T12-13-010, for Door to Door Student Transportation Services, for an additional year from September 16, 2016 through September 15, 2017.
8. Approve extending the agreement with First Student under Request for Proposal No. T13-14-021, for Door to Door Student Transportation Services, for an additional year from July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

(Ref. E 1.7)

**I. FACILITIES PLANNING CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Accept the work completed on December 4, 2015, by Columbia Steel, Inc., for all work required in connection with the Jehue Middle School Classroom Additions Project and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.
2. Accept the work completed on December 4, 2015, by Continental Marble and Tile Company for all work required in connection with the Jehue Middle School Classroom Addition Project, and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.
3. Accept the work completed on December 4, 2015, by Franklin Mechanical Systems, Inc., for all work required in connection with the Jehue Middle School Classroom Addition Project, and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.
4. Accept the work completed on December 3, 2015, by Inland Building Construction Companies, Inc., for all work required in connection with the Kelley Elementary and Kucera Middle School Classroom Additions Project and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.
5. Accept the work completed on December 3, 2015, by KCB Towers, Inc., for all work required in connection with the Kelley Elementary and Kucera Middle School Classroom Additions Project, and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.
6. Accept the work completed on December 3, 2015, by Mike Cox Electric, Inc., for all work required in connection with the Kelley Elementary and Kucera Middle School Classroom Additions Project and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.
7. Accept the work completed on December 4, 2015, by Nuway, Inc., for all work required in connection with the Jehue Middle School Classroom Additions Project, and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.



8. Accept the work completed on December 4, 2015, by RB Sheet Metal, Inc., for all work required in connection with the Jehue Middle School Classroom Addition Project, and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.
9. Accept the work completed on December 3, 2015, by RB Sheet Metal, Inc., for all work required in connection with the Kelley Elementary and Kucera Middle School Classroom Additions Project, and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.
10. Accept the work completed on December 3, 2015, by Spec Construction Co., Inc., for all work required in connection with the Kelley Elementary and Kucera Middle School Classroom Additions Project, and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.
11. Accept the work completed on December 3, 2015, by Tomahawk Builders, Inc., for all work required in connection with the Kelley Elementary and Kucera Middle School Classroom Additions Project, and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.
12. Accept the work completed on December 4, 2015, by Tomahawk Builders, Inc., for all work required in connection with the Jehue Middle School Classroom Addition Project, and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.
13. Accept the work completed on December 3, 2015, by W. D. Gott Construction for all work required in connection with the Jehue Middle School Classroom Addition Project, and authorize District personnel to file a Notice of Completion with the San Bernardino County Recorder.

**J. PERSONNEL SERVICES CONSENT ITEMS**

- 1-3. Approve Personnel Report No. 1145 for classified and certificated employees.

**K. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

Upon a motion by Vice President Walker, seconded by Member Ayala, Item K1 was approved by a unanimous 3-0 vote by the Board of Education.

1. Award Bid No. 15-16-003, Rialto USD PDC Site Improvement Phase 1 Project, to IVL Contractors in the amount of \$257,000.00.

Upon a motion by Member Ayala, seconded by Vice President Walker, Item K2 was approved by a unanimous 3-0 vote by the Board of Education.

2. Award Bid No. 15-16-004, Rialto USD Admin Generator Installation Project, to Integral Electrical Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$290,200.00.


Upon a motion by Vice President Walker, seconded by Member Ayala, Item K3 was approved by a unanimous 3-0 vote by the Board of Education.

3. Approve the hourly increase for AVID Tutors to \$11.00 an hour effective January 1, 2016.

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

Upon a motion by Vice President Walker, seconded by Member Ayala, and approved by a unanimous 3-0 vote by the Board of Education, the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

  
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Clerk, Board of Education

  
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Secretary, Board of Education

# Transforming Lives Charter School

Presented to the Rialto Unified School Board

January 6, 2016

(Ref. E 1.11)



# Our Mission

- Empower students to be successful leaders
- Provide 21<sup>st</sup> century skills necessary for college, career and beyond
- Blend rigorous academics with college and career exploration, preparation and work-based learning
- Graduate students who are skilled and prepared to deliver value in the workplace
- Stimulate and support local businesses with skilled interns and co-operative students

(Ref. E 1.12)

# Our Vision

- Equip students to excel at the highest level of academics and workplace readiness
- Equip teachers with relevant, ongoing professional development
- Deliver project-based, problem-based, and inquiry-based learning
- Instill critical thinking skills in our students
- Develop life-long learners

(Ref. E 1.13)

## 3 Key Focus Areas

- **Top Level Education Program**
  - Exceptional academics
  - College and Career exploration
  - Skills and knowledge preparation
  - Work based learning and experience
- **Parent and Community Involvement**
  - Parent Volunteers
  - Community Businesses
- **Fiscal Responsibility**

(Ref. E 1.14)

# Education Program

- Variety of college and career courses that introduce students to careers that fit their interests
- Financial literacy
- Leadership and communication skills
- Relationship skills and conflict resolution
- Technology etiquette
- Critical thinking, problem-solving skills
- Project management
- Workplace learning

(Ref. E 1.15)

# Parent and Community Involvement

- **Parent Involvement**
  - Volunteering at TLCS
  - Monthly Town Hall Meetings
  - Parent Committees
- **Community Businesses**
  - Provide input on Career Courses, market gaps, work skills needed
  - Community Service Opportunities
  - Internships and co-op programs

(Ref. E 1.16)



# Fiscal Responsibility

- **Balanced Monthly Budget**
  - Strict adherence to budget and priorities
  - Monthly review of income and expenditures
  - Active governing board to oversee activities and budgeting
  - Start with grades 7 and 8 – master the model, then add grades
- **Business Plan**
- **Marketing Plan**
- **Social enterprise/entrepreneurship model**

(Ref. E 1.17)