



**SCHOOL  
DISTRICT**

EDUCATING LEARNERS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Rio School District  
Minutes Regular Board Meeting  
September 16, 2015

Office of Student and Family Support Services  
3300 Cortez Street  
Oxnard, CA 93036  
Closed Session: 5:00 p.m.  
Open Session: 6:00 p.m.

**Attendance Taken at 5:04 PM:**

Present:

Carolyn Bernal  
Sonia Cervantez  
Joe Esquivel  
Kristen Pifko  
John Puglisi  
Ramon Rodriguez  
Eleanor Torres  
Dr. Mike Vollmert  
Edith Martinez-Cortes –arrived at 5:11 p.m.

Absent

Cassandra Bautista

**1. Preliminary Business**

**1. Call to Order**

Minutes:

President Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Minutes:

President Ramon Rodriguez led the flag salute.

**3. Roll Call**

Minutes:

President Rodriguez called the roll.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

**1. Agenda Corrections, Additions and Modifications**

Minutes:

Agenda approved as amended, to move Item 9.13 Second Round of Interactive TV Purchases into Information/Action for discussion.

## **2. Approval of the Agenda**

**Motion Passed:** Move 9.13 as an action item for discussion and approval Passed with a motion by Joe Esquivel and a second by Eleanor Torres.

Absent Cassandra Bautista

Yes Joe Esquivel

Absent Edith Martinez-Cortes

Yes Ramon Rodriguez

Yes Eleanor Torres

## **3. Public Comment - Closed Session**

**The public may address the Board concerning items that are scheduled for discussion during the closed session only. These presentations are limited to three minutes each, or a total of fifteen minutes in all.**

Minutes:

There were no public comments on closed session items.

## **4. Closed Session**

Minutes:

President Rodriguez adjourned into closed session at 5:14 p.m.

### **1. Consideration of Student Discipline-Expulsion {Education Code 48918} Stipulated Expulsion Agreement for Student No. 6002744**

**Motion Passed:** Passed with a motion by Ramon Rodriguez and a second by Eleanor Torres.

Absent Cassandra Bautista

Yes Joe Esquivel

Absent Edith Martinez-Cortes

Yes Ramon Rodriguez

Yes Eleanor Torres

### **2. Conference with Legal Counsel [Government Code 54956.9] Existing Litigation: OAH Case Nos. 2015060745 and 2015070030**

**Motion Passed:** By a vote of 4-0 the board took action to approve a settlement agreement regarding OAH Case Nos. 201506075 and 2015070030 resolving a dispute regarding special education placement and services. Passed with a motion by Ramon Rodriguez and a second by Eleanor Torres.

Absent Cassandra Bautista

Yes Joe Esquivel

Absent Edith Martinez-Cortes

Yes Ramon Rodriguez

Yes Eleanor Torres

**3. Conference with Real Property Negotiators [Government Code 54956.7]**  
**Property:** 3334 Santa Clara Ave, Oxnard, CA 93036 (APN 149-0-071-210)  
**Agency Negotiators:** Dr. John Puglisi, Superintendent; and Dr. Joel Kirschenstein, Special Consultant to District  
**Negotiating Party:** County of Ventura  
**Under Negotiation:** Price and Terms of Payment

**4. Conference with Real Property Negotiator [Government Code 54956.8]**  
**Property:** Five parcels identified by APN's 133-0-042-125 and 133-0-043-015 through 045 located in Oxnard, CA  
**Agency Negotiator:** Dr. John Puglisi, Superintendent; and Dr. Joel Kirschenstein, District Consultant  
**Negotiating Party:** Beedy Properties, LLC  
**Under negotiations:** Price and terms of Payment

**5. Conference with real property negotiators, pursuant to Government Code 54956.8**  
**Properties:** APNs 132-0-110-01 [Lot 22, Tract 5352-1 in Book 150, page 76 of Miscellaneous Records of County of Ventura] and 132-0-100-26 [Lot 1 as described in Inst. No. 90-186303 of Official Records of County of Ventura]  
**Agency negotiators:** Dr. John Puglisi, District Superintendent, and Dr. Joel Kirschenstein, special consultant to District  
**Negotiating parties:** Riverpark Legacy, LLC; Riverpark A, LLC; and Riverpark B, LLC  
**Under negotiation:** price and terms of payment

**6. Conference with Real Property Negotiators, pursuant to Government Code 54956.8**  
**Property:** the El Rio School site (2714 E. Vineyard Avenue, Oxnard, CA 93036)  
**Agency negotiators:** Dr. John Puglisi, District Superintendent, and Mr. Joel Kirschenstein, special consultant to District  
**Negotiating parties:** Aldersgate Investment, LLC  
**Under negotiation:** price and terms of payment

**7. Conference with Legal Counsel-Initiation of litigation, pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d) (4)**  
**Number of matters:** One

**8. Public Employee Appointment [Government Code 54957]**

**Title:** Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services

**Motion Passed:** By a vote of 4-0, the Governing Board approved the appointment of Oscar Hernandez as Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services. Passed with a motion by Ramon Rodriguez and a second by Eleanor Torres.

Absent Cassandra Bautista

Yes Joe Esquivel

Absent Edith Martinez-Cortes

Yes Ramon Rodriguez

Yes Eleanor Torres

**9. Public Employee Performance Evaluation [Government Code 54957]  
Staffing 2015/2016 and Superintendent**

**5. Reconvene in Open Session**

Minutes:

The Governing Board reconvened into open session at 7:32 p.m.

**1. Report of Closed Session**

**6. Communications**

**1. Acknowledgement of Correspondence to the Board**

Minutes:

There was no written correspondence.

**2. Board Member Reports**

Minutes:

Board members reports were heard from Trustee Joe Esquivel.

**3. Organizational Reports - RTA/CSEA/Other**

Minutes:

Organizational reports were heard from Patrick Radford, Vice President of the California School Employees Association.

**4. Superintendent Reports**

Minutes:

Superintendent Puglisi reported smooth opening for the 2015/2016 school year.

Superintendent Puglisi also updated the Governing Board on Measure G and the Master Plan.

Superintendent Puglisi reported on the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress scores for 2015.

**5. Public Comment-**

**Board meetings are meetings of the Governing Board held in public, not public forums, and will be held in a civil, orderly and respectful manner. All public comments or questions should be addressed to the board through the board president. To assure an orderly meeting and an equal opportunity for each speaker, persons wishing to address the Board must fill out a speaker card. Cards are available at the meeting and on the District website. Cards must be**

**submitted to the Secretary or Clerk of the Board. The speaker may choose to speak during public comment or at the time of the agenda item prior to board consideration. The Governing Board may place limitations on the total time to be devoted to each topic if it finds that the number of speakers would impede the Board's ability to conduct its business in a timely manner.**

**Procedures for receiving communication from the public on topics that falls under the subject jurisdiction of the Governing Board.**

**A member of the public may address the Governing Board on any item(s) on the agenda or non-agenda items. Each person speaking may not exceed a total of three minutes on each item. The speaker may choose to speak during public comment or at the time of the agenda item prior to board consideration. These presentations are limited to three minutes or a total of twenty minutes.**

Minutes:

There were no public comments.

## **7. Information**

### **1. 2015/2016 Enrollment Report**

Minutes:

Carolyn Bernal, Director of Human Resources, presented the Enrollment Report and data for the past three years.

### **2. Business Update**

Minutes:

Kristen Pifko, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, presented her report.

Ms.Pifko updated the board on Child Nutrition Program.

We are participating in special menu programs.

Ms Pifko also stated that we piloting a student nutrition education program at Rio Plaza and launching a bilingual parent nutrition program.

Ms. Pifko gave a brief update on the Safety Plans that are due from the sites in the near future.

### **3. Discussion regarding the Board Meeting Calendar**

Minutes:

Superintendent Puglisi opened the discussion regarding the Board Meeting Calendar.

## 8. Information/Action

### 1. Approval of Resolution 1516/07 Authorizing the Rio School District to Enter Into an Agreement with Public Agency Retirement Services (PARS) to design and admintrate a Supplementary Retirement Plan (SRP) for Eligible Employees Provided Sufficient Participation

**Motion Passed:** Staff recommends approval. Passed with a motion by Eleanor Torres and a second by Joe Esquivel.

Absent Cassandra Bautista

Yes Joe Esquivel

Absent Edith Martinez-Cortes

Yes Ramon Rodriguez

Yes Eleanor Torres

Minutes:

Kristen Pifko, Asst. of Business Services presented Resolution 1516/07.

### 2. Approval of the Spanish Language Arts 8th Grade Course Description

**Motion Passed:** Staff recommends approval Passed with a motion by Joe Esquivel and a second by Eleanor Torres.

Absent Cassandra Bautista

Yes Joe Esquivel

Absent Edith Martinez-Cortes

Yes Ramon Rodriguez

Yes Eleanor Torres

Minutes:

Carolyn Bernal, Director of Human Resources, presented the Spanish III course description for approval.

### 3. 2014/2015 Unaudited Actuals

**Motion Passed:** Staff recommends approval Passed with a motion by Joe Esquivel and a second by Eleanor Torres.

Absent Cassandra Bautista

Yes Joe Esquivel

Absent Edith Martinez-Cortes

Yes Ramon Rodriguez

Yes Eleanor Torres

Minutes:

Kristen Pifko, Asst Supt of Business Services, presented the Unaudited Actuals for 2014/2015 for approval.

## **9. Consent Agenda**

**Motion Passed:** Passed with a motion by Eleanor Torres and a second by Ramon Rodriguez.

Absent Cassandra Bautista

Yes Joe Esquivel

Absent Edith Martinez-Cortes

Yes Ramon Rodriguez

Yes Eleanor Torres

- 1. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of July 8, 2015.**
- 2. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of July 28, 2015.**
- 3. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 19, 2015.**
- 4. Approval of the Personnel Report**
- 5. Approval of the Commercial Warrant Register**
- 6. Approval of the Certification of Signatures**
- 7. Award CUPCAA Contract for Marquis at Rio del Mar, Rio Plaza, Rio Real, Rio Vista and Rio Rosales**
- 8. Approval of Proposal to Asphalt the Walkway at Rio Real**
- 9. Approval of Change Order No. 1 for Project 15-0040G Site Work and Utility Installation for Portable Classrooms at Rio Plaza and Rio Real Elementary Schools and Resolution 1516/05 Notice of Completion for the Installation of Portables at Rio Plaza and Rio Real Schools.**
- 10. Approval of Additional Funding for the Contract with Myers, Widders, Gibson, Jones and Feingold, LLP**
- 11. Approval of Resolution 1516/03 Approving the Notice of Completion for the Paving for Installation of Portables at Rio Lindo Elementary School and Rio Real Elementary School.**
- 12. Purchase of Additional Student Netbooks**
- 13. Second Round of Interactive TV Purchases**

**Motion Passed:** Staff recommends approval Passed with a motion by Joe Esquivel and a second by Eleanor Torres.

Absent Cassandra Bautista

Yes Joe Esquivel

Absent Edith Martinez-Cortes

Yes Ramon Rodriguez  
Yes Eleanor Torres

Minutes:

Superintendent Puglisi presented the Governing Board with information regarding the purchase of additional Interactive TV's that will be place in student classroom to help teachers use technology. Discussion continued.

**14. Purchase of Student Headsets**

**15. Adoption of GANN Limit**

**16. Rio Neighborhood for Learning Contract Amendment FY 14/15 Fixed Asset Contract**

**17. Brightbytes Technology Survey**

**10. Organizational Business**

**1. Items for Future Board Meetings**

Minutes:

HVAC District Wide

Flooding from El Nino- are the schools ready, can our rooms ready for the rain.

**2. Future Meeting Dates:**

Minutes:

Community Retreat-October 24, 2015

Masters in Governance Meeting- January 9, 2015

**11. Adjournment** – As there was no further business, President Rodriguez adjourned the meeting at 8:41 p.m.

Approved this 21<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2015.

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Secretary of the Board

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Clerk of the Board

October 21, 2015  
Date

October 21, 2015