



**Rio School District
Minutes
Regular Board Meeting
January 19, 2022
Rio School District
1800 Solar Drive
Oxnard, CA 93030
Closed Session: 5:00 p.m.
Open Session: 6:00 p.m.**

Members present

Eleanor Torres, Linda Armas, Kristine Anderson

1. Open Session 5:00 p.m.

1.1 Call to Order

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

President Anderson led the flag salute.

1.3 Roll Call

Trustee Torres called the roll. President Anderson and Trustees Torres and Armas were present. Trustees Bautista and Cortes-Martinez were absent.

2. Approval of the Agenda

2.1 Agenda Correction, Additions, Modifications

President Anderson pulled item 10.12 Approval of Proposal from Kruger Benson Ziemer Architects (KBZ) for Rio Vista Gym HVAC to Discussion/Action.

2.2 Approval of the Agenda

Staff recommends approval as amended.

Motion by Kristine Anderson, second by Eleanor Torres.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Eleanor Torres, Linda Armas, Kristine Anderson

3. Public Comment-Closed Session

3.1 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.

Public comments on closed session items were heard from Marisela Valdez, Cara Espinoza, Julia Wittlin, Debbie Zaritsky and Nicole Martin.

President Anderson adjourned the meeting into closed session at 5:18 p.m.

4. Closed Session

4.1 Public Employee Performance Evaluation [Government Code 54957] Title: Staffing 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 and Superintendent Mid-Year Evaluation

4.2 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation; Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) and (e)(1) of section 54956.9; One potential case.

4.3 Conference with Labor Negotiators [Government Code 54957.6] Agency designated representatives: RSD Negotiating Team; Employee Organization: California School Employee's Association and Rio Teachers' Association

5. Reconvene Open Session 6:00 p.m.

5.1 Report of Closed Session

President Anderson reconvened the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

President Anderson reported the following action took place during closed session:

In closed session, the Board took action to approve the Settlement Agreement in the amount of \$10,000, to resolve all claims by an employee in the classification of secretary and concerning the employee's classification.

The roll call vote was by unanimous vote.

President Anderson stated they will return to closed session after the regular meeting.

6. Public Hearing

6.1 Establish Trustee Areas and Elections By-Trustee Areas

President Anderson opened the public hearing at 6:48 p.m. There were no public comments. Superintendent Puglisi introduced David Lopez, Demographer with Corporate Strategies. Mr. Lopez explained the timeline for the process and stated this will be the first of several public hearings.

President Anderson closed the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

7. Communications

7.1 Acknowledgement of Correspondence to the Board

Trustee Armas informed the board that she has received several emails that the other board members have also received.

President Anderson stated that she received a letter from the Ventura County Office of Education certifying our First Interim Budget.

7.2 Board Member Reports

There were no board member reports.

7.3 Organizational Reports-RTA/CSEA/Other

Organizational reports were heard from Marisela Valdez, President of Rio Teachers' Association and Elena Ramirez, President of California School Employees Association.

7.4 Superintendent Report

Superintendent Puglisi updated the governing board on increases in COVID cases and quarantines compared to December 2021. There are new state and federal guidelines that have changed and the district is working on implementing. We continue in person instruction. Staffing has been a challenge not just in our district but across the nation. Thanks to all staff that have stepped up to help in the supporting the sites. We have had 25% of our staff out, and we covering as best we can. Thanks to the board for supporting district decisions.

Our biggest charge is to focus on student learning, we just completed Trimester 1 and started Trimester 2. We will be sharing information on assessments. Focusing on what's important in learning including the socio-emotional support for students.

Leadership at every level is very important.

7.5 Public Comment-Board meetings are meetings of the Governing Board held in public and will be held in a civil, orderly and respectful manner. 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. 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.

There were no public comments.

8. Information

8.1 Business Services Report

Wael Saleh, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services along with Dr. Joel Kirschenstein, District Consultant, discussed the District Vehicle Relocation plan. More information will continue to follow.

8.2 Educational Services Reports/Assessments

Oscar Hernandez, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, shared information on the Interim Assessment Data.

8.3 Human Resources Updates

Rebecca Rocha, Director of Human Resources, presented an update on COVID and attendance.

8.4 Introduction of Draft Resolution #21/22-12 for Issuance of Election of 2018, Series E and F Bonds and Refunding Bonds

Wael Saleh, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, informed the board this is an information item in relation to Measure L. We will be preparing to begin the next step in the process. Mr. Saleh introduced Stacy Toledo, Bond Counsel from Parker and Covert. Ms. Toledo explained this step in the process is a two part process and the resolution will be brought to the board in February for action.

Jon Isom, Financial Advisor, also explained the waiver from the state that the board approved a few months ago. The state did approve the waiver. Jon Baracy, Raymond James underwriter, was also available for questions.

9. Discussion/Action

9.1 Approval of Contract with Tetra Tech for Environmental Review Services for 2600 N. Rose for Rio Del Valle expansion.

It is recommended that the Board approve contract modifications as proposed by Tetra Tech for the preparation of an environmental impact report (EIR) and supplemental site investigation work related environmental review of the proposed expansion project at Rio Del Valle Middle School.

Motion by Linda Armas, second by Kristine Anderson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Eleanor Torres, Linda Armas, Kristine Anderson

9.2 Approval of Leaseback/Sublease Agreement with City of Oxnard for Turnout Park Circle

Trustee Armas motioned to approve the proposed leaseback/sublease agreement with the City of Oxnard for Turnout Park Circle, a sublease amendment contingent on City of Oxnard staff review and authorizing the Superintendent to approve any substantiated changes.

Motion by Linda Armas, second by Kristine Anderson.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Eleanor Torres, Linda Armas, Kristine Anderson

9.3 Approval to Bid Rio del Sol Playground Equipment and Authorize the Superintendent to Award Bids

It is recommended that the Board Approve the District to go out to Bid for the Rio del Sol Playground Equipment both options and bring bids to the Governing Board for final approval.

Motion by Eleanor Torres, second by Linda Armas.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yes: Eleanor Torres, Linda Armas, Kristine Anderson

10. Consent

10.1 Approval of the Consent Agenda

Staff recommends approval as amended.

Motion by Eleanor Torres, second by Linda Armas.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Eleanor Torres, Linda Armas, Kristine Anderson

10.2 Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Organization Meeting of December 15, 2021.

10.3 Approval of the January Personnel Report

10.4 Ratification of the Commercial Warrant for December 03, 2021 through January 6, 2022

10.5 Approval of Williams Quarterly Complaint Report for January 2022

10.6 Ratification of the Contract with Passageway School till June 2022

10.7 Memorandum of Understanding between VCOE and Rio School District to support McKinney-Vento Students

10.8 Contract for Occupational Therapy Services

10.9 Approval of running a bid for a 10Gb PTP fiber connection between 1800 Solar Dr. and 3050 Thames River Dr.

10.10 Approval of running a bid for IDF/MDF backup power solution

10.11 Approval of Change Order from Venco for the Campus Wide Fire Alarm at Rio Del Valle.

10.12 Approval of Proposal from Kruger Bensen Ziemen Architects (KBZ) for the Rio Vista Gym HVAC.

It is recommended that the Board approve the proposal from KBZ for their architectural services for the Rio Vista Gym HVAC.

Motion by Eleanor Torres, second by Kristine Anderson.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Eleanor Torres, Linda Armas, Kristine Anderson

10.13 Approval of Notice of Award to Smith Mechanical/Electrical/Plumbing for the Gym HVAC Replacement project at Rio Vista Middle School.

10.14 Approval of Change Order #3 from Los Angeles Engineering for Project 21-12L, Rio Del Valle Phase 1 Sports Field

11. Organizational Business

11.1 Future Items for Discussion

Trustee Torres requested information on the Cadet Program and After School Program.

11.2 Future Meeting Dates: February 16, 2022

12. Adjournment

12.1 Adjournment

President Anderson adjourned the meeting back into closed session at 9:07 p.m.

President Anderson reconvened the meeting at 9:50 p.m. and reported no action was taken.

President Anderson adjourned the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

Approved on this 16th day of February, 2022.



John Puglisi, Ph.D., Secretary

Date

2.22.2022



Edith Martinez-Cortes, Clerk of the Board

Date

Eleanor Torres