

# RIVER DELTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

## MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING

March 14, 2017

1. **Call Open Session to Order** – Board President Fernandez called the Open Session of the meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 5:30 p.m. on March 14, 2017, at Walnut Grove Elementary School, Walnut Grove, California.
2. **Roll Call of Members:**
  - Alicia Fernandez, President
  - Don Olson, Vice President
  - Marilyn Riley, Clerk
  - Sarah Donnelly, Member
  - Chris Elliott, Member (arrived 6:10pm)
  - Katy Maghoney, Member
  - David Bettencourt, Member

Also present: Don Beno, Superintendent
3. **Review, Approve the Closed Session Agenda and Adjourn to Closed Session**
  - 3.1 Board President Fernandez announced items on the Closed Session Agenda.
  - 3.2 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items. – *None to report*
  - 3.3 Approve Closed Session Agenda and Adjourn to the **Closed Session**
4. Board President Fernandez asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting to Closed Session @ 5:36 pm  
Member Bettencourt moved to approve, Member Olson seconded. Motion carried 6 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 1 (Absent: Elliott)
5. **Open Session was reconvened at 6:37 pm**
  - 5.1 Roll was retaken, all members were present.  
Also present: Don Beno, Superintendent; Elizabeth Keema-Aston, Chief Business Officer and Jennifer Gaston, Recorder.
  - 5.2 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board Member, David Bettencourt
6. **Report of Action taken, if any, during the Closed Session** (Government Code Section 54957.1)  
Board President Fernandez reported that the Board took the following actions during closed session:
  - 4.1.1 The stipulated expulsion case number 1617-222-006 was approve as recommended.  
Motion carried by roll call vote: 6 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 1 (Absent: Elliott)
7. **Review and Approve the Open Session Agenda**  
Member Bettencourt moved to approve, Member Olson seconded. Motion carried 7 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Elliott, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 0 (Absent)
8. **Public Comment:** None to report
9. **Reports, Presentations, Information**
  - 9.1 Board Member(s) and Superintendent Report(s) and/or Presentation(s) –
    - 9.1.1 Board Members' report(s): Member Olson reported that he had arranged several acquaintances to visit Rio Vista High School and speak to the students sharing their journey from when they left high school to where they are in their career and lives today. Their speeches were not necessarily focused on the educational journey they took but about making the right choices in their lives. One of the speakers was a professional women's basketball player that received her PhD. The other speaker was a man born in Pakistan that traveled all over the world learning many languages. His passion for languages allowed him to volunteer on a research ocean vessel where the crewmen spoke German, and in the end he attended college where the professor from the ocean vessel taught. Mrs. Wright added that her daughter said the presentations were fascinating and one thing she took way from these speeches was that opportunities may come

along, they may not be exactly what you had planned on, but, they may lead to something else you had never thought you might enjoy.

Member Donnelly reported that she had the opportunity to read at D.H. White Elementary School to support Read Across America and honor Dr. Seuss's birthday. She read to Ms. Allen's second grade class as well as a fifth grade class. Member Donnelly also mentioned that other dignitaries from the city were there, Mr. Beno, the mayor from Rio Vista and a police officer all read to the students.

9.1.2 Committee Report(s): None to report

9.1.3 Superintendent Beno's report(s) – Mr. Beno informed the board that a report was submitted by Mrs. Turk to the WASC committee in preparation to their visit later in March. Once the visit has been completed and a final report received by the visiting committee Mrs. Turk will give a presentation to the Board of its results. Member Fernandez complimented the high school staff as well as the district office staff on the improvements made to obtain a longer accreditation period than in previous years.

9.2 Business Services' Reports and/or Presentations on: Routine Restricted Maintenance, Deferred Maintenance, Maintenance and Operations, Transportation Department, Food Services Department, District Technology, and District Budget – Elizabeth Keema-Aston, Chief Business Officer; Craig Hamblin, Director of Maintenance, Operations and Transportation

9.2.1 ADA/Enrollment Report - Elizabeth Keema-Aston reported that the ADA has increased this month and the enrollment has also increased by ten pupils. The district is in the process of submitting an emergency waiver to capture some of the lost ADA during the winter storms and flu season.

9.2.2 Monthly Financial Report - Elizabeth Keema-Aston mentioned that the district has received approximately 74% of the unrestricted funds budgeted mostly due to receiving tax revenues.

9.2.3 Maintenance, Operations & Transportation Update - Craig Hamblin reported that the new school bus made its first official crossing on the ferry, and all went well. The transportation department will be monitoring the bus to make sure that the skid wheels do not catch the ferry after the weather and river levels change. The manufacture will make changes if there are any issues.

9.3 Other – Education Services' Reports and/or Presentation(s) -

9.3.1 Educational Services and Special Education Updates – Kathy Wright gave a presentation to the Board on the California School Dashboard. She explained what information is uploaded by the state and what information is uploaded by the district, she explained what indicators will be used and how to read results of the district.

9.3.2 CTE Pathways presentation – Jennifer Kitchens' presentation informed the Board on the six approved CTE pathways offered in the district and how they affect the students. On a different note Member Donnelly expressed that she feels when planning the Career Day held at Rio Vista High School the event planners should start planning earlier and should invite people who have careers in the fields of the CTE pathways offered. Ms. Kitchens thought that would be a good idea and would contact those planning the Career Day for the following year to coordinate.

9.3.3 Rio Vista High School's WASC/CDE Mid-Cycle Progress Report Information Only – Vicky Turk will make a presentation after the mid-cycle report results have been received from the visiting WASC committee.

10. **Consent Calendar** – a motion was read by Member Fernandez to amend the February 21, 2017

Board minutes, line item 10.1 the regular meeting of the Board was held in Isleton, California, not Rio Vista as submitted.

10.1 Approve Board Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board, February 21, 2017

10.2 Receive and Approve Monthly Personnel Reports

As of March 14, 2017 – None to report

10.3 District's Monthly Expenditure Report

February 2017

10.4 Request to approve the annual 4th grade overnight camping fieldtrip for Bates Elementary School to Marshall Gold Discovery SHP on March 24-25, 2017 – Maria Elena Becerra

10.5 Request to approve out-of-district travel and overnight stay for Riverview Middle School 6th grade students and two Riverview Teachers to the YMCA Point Bonita Science Camp, in Sausalito, from April 3-5, 2017.

- 10.6 Request to approve the General Agreement for Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency (Advance Kids) for the 2016-2017 school year at a cost not to exceed \$15,500, Special Educational Funds – Sue Moehlenbrock
- 10.7 Request to approve the General Agreement for Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency (Music To Grow On Therapy Services) for the 2016-2017 school year at a cost not to exceed \$700, Special Educational Funds –Sue Moehlenbrock
- 10.8 Request to Approve Rio Vista High School’s fundraising event “Snack Bar Sales” to benefit Rio Vista High School’s Softball Team – Vicky Turk
- 10.9 Request to Approve Clarksburg Middle School’s fundraising event “Beef Jerky Sale” to benefit Clarksburg Middle School’s Discovery Ag Program – Laura Uslan
- 10.10 Request the approval to submit an application to the North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District Rural School Bus Project – Craig Hamblin
- 10.11 Donations to Receive and Acknowledge:
  - Rio Vista High School – KRVH-Radio Rio Station**  
Montezuma Volunteer Firefighters Association – \$500
  - Rio Vista High School – Girls Soccer Team**  
Women’s Nine Hole Golf Club - \$275
  - Rio Vista High School – Girls Soccer Team, Swim Teams and AFS Club**  
Montezuma Volunteer Firefighters Association - \$2,250
  - Rio Vista High School – Wrestling Team**  
Rio Vista Rams Athletic Booster Club - \$1,000  
Christopher Smith - \$100
  - Rio Vista High School – Athletic Fields**  
Crop Production Services – Fertilizer
  - Isleton Elementary School – Miscellaneous Clothing**  
Tammy Trujillo (Approx. value \$200)

Member Riley moved to approve including the revision of the Board minutes. Member Olson seconded. Motion carried 7 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Elliott, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 0 (Absent)

Board President Fernandez acknowledged those who donated and thanked them for their support.

- 11. Request to approve the second and final reading of the updated or new Board Policies, Administrative Regulation and Exhibits due to new legislation or mandated language and citation revisions as of October 2016 including miscellaneous mandated and conditionally mandated policies – Don Beno

Member Bettencourt moved to approve. Member Riley seconded. Motion carried 7 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Elliott, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 0 (Absent)

- 12. Request to approve Resolution # 728 for Elimination of .2 FTE of Certificated Services for the 2017-2018 School Year – Don Beno

Member Bettencourt moved to approve. Member Maghoney seconded. Motion carried by roll call vote: 7 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Elliott, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 0 (Absent)

- 13. Request to approve a multi-year agreement with Crowe Horwath, LLC an independent auditor, to perform and report annually on the district’s financial statements for fiscal years: 16-17, 17-18 & 18-19 – Elizabeth Keema-Aston

Member Bettencourt moved to approve. Member Olson seconded. Motion carried 7 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Elliott, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 0 (Absent)

- 14. Request to approve the Second Interim Financial Report for 2016-2017 – Elizabeth Keema-Aston

Member Bettencourt moved to approve. Member Riley seconded. Motion carried 7 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Elliott, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 0 (Absent)

- 15. Request to approve and adopt the tentative agreement between River Delta Unified Teacher’s Association and the River Delta Unified School District for 2016-2017 – Don Beno

Member Bettencourt moved to approve. Member Elliott seconded. Motion carried 7 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Elliott, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 0 (Absent)

16. Request to approve and adopt the tentative agreement between California School Employees Association Chapter #319 and the River Delta Unified School District for 2016-2017 – Don Beno

Member Olson moved to approve, Member Riley seconded. Motion carried 7 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Elliott, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 0 (Absent)

17. Request to approve the agreements with Management and Other non-bargaining unit employees for 2016-2017 – Don Beno

Member Olson moved to approve, Member Bettencourt seconded. Motion carried 7 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Elliott, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 0 (Absent)

18. Request to approve Res. #729 of the governing board authorizing the borrowing of funds for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the issuance and sale of one or more series of 2017-2018 tax and revenue anticipation notes (TRAN) therefor and participation in the California school cash reserve program and requesting the board of supervisors of the county to issue and sell said series of notes – Elizabeth Keema-Aston

Member Donnelly moved to approve, Member Riley seconded. Motion carried by roll call vote, 7 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Elliott, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 0 (Absent)

19. Re-Adjourn to continue Closed Session was not necessary.

20. Adjournment: There being no further business before the Board, Board President Fernandez asked for a motion to adjourn.

Member Bettencourt moved to approve, Member Maghoney seconded. Motion carried 7 (Ayes: Fernandez, Olson, Donnelly, Riley, Elliott, Maghoney, Bettencourt): 0 (Nays): 0 (Absent)

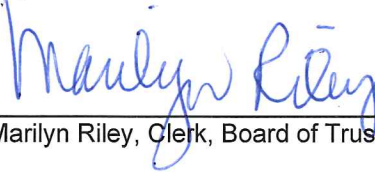
21. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Submitted:



Don Beno, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Approved:



Marilyn Riley, Clerk, Board of Trustees

By: Jennifer Gaston, Recorder  
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