

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

**September 25, 2019**

**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 6:00 p.m., by President Montes at the Dr. John R. Kazalunas Education Center, 182 East Walnut Avenue, Rialto, CA 92376.

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

Administrators present: Darren McDuffie, Ed.D., Lead Strategic Agent: Strategics, Congruence and Social Justice; Mohammad Z. Islam, Associate Superintendent, Business Services; Kelly Bruce, Lead Innovation Agent, Education Services; Rhea McIver Gibbs, Lead Personnel Agent and Rhonda Kramer, Lead Personnel Agent. Also present was Martha Degortari, Executive Administrative Agent. Cuauhtémoc Avila, Ed.D., Superintendent, was absent.

**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 Clerk Walker, seconded by Vice President O'Kelley, and approved by a unanimous 4-0 vote, the Board of Education entered into closed session at 6:03 p.m. to consider and discuss the following:

[REDACTED]

2. Student Expulsions/Reinstatements/Expulsion Enrollments

3. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**

Agency designated representatives: Cuauhtémoc Avila, Ed.D., Superintendent; Rhea McIver Gibbs, Lead Personnel Agent, Personnel Services; and Rhonda Kramer, Lead Personnel Agent, Personnel

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5. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Government Code section 54957.6)**

Designated Representative: Board President, Edgar Montes  
Unrepresented Employee: Superintendent

~~PUBLIC EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVE (Government~~

Code section 54957)

Title: Superintendent

**ADJOURNMENT OF CLOSED SESSION**

Upon a motion by Vice President O'Kelley seconded by Clerk Walker, and passed by a unanimous 4-0 vote, closed session adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

**OPEN SESSION RECONVENED 7:45 P.M.**

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

Administrators present: Dan M. ...

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Daniel Vega, Frisbie Middle School student, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## PRESENTATION BY FRISBIE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Student musicians from Frisbie Middle School, led by Music Director, Ms. Henderson, performed a medley of "That's the Way I like it", "Eye of the Tiger", and "Lady Marmalade".

## REPORT OUTSIDE BOARD SESSION

Lead Strategic Agent, McDuffie reported that in closed session the Board of Education, by a unanimous 4-0 vote, took the following action:

- Accepted the administrative appointment of Dawn Nighswonger-Bownman, High School Assistant Principal
- Accepted the administrative appointment of Cynthia Deal, Middle School Assistant Principal

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Item H-5 was pulled from the agenda.

Upon a motion by Vice President O'Kelley, seconded by Clerk Walker, the Agenda was adopted as amended, by a unanimous 4-0 vote as by the Board of Education.

## B. PRESENTATIONS

### MEMBER PRESENTATIONS

The following DSAC students shared information and activities held at their schools:

Shaniya Simes – Kolb Middle School

Erin Zamora – Kueser Middle School

## 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.

Jennifer Bailey, Teacher, voiced her concerns regarding Rialto USD librarians who either retired or passed away at the end of last school year

and were not replaced. As a citizen of this community, she is extremely concerned and feels it is a disservice to the students not to fill those positions. She indicated that literacy is extremely important and

[REDACTED]

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

Jennifer Bailey, Teacher, explained that she understands there needs to be a budget change, but is concerned with how

[REDACTED]

Miesha Calloway, REA Vice President, speaking on behalf of Lisa  
Lindgren, REA President

[REDACTED]

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

**D. PUBLIC HEARING**

Public Hearing: Pursuant to the provisions of 105 C.F.R. 101.11.5

[REDACTED]

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

Upon a motion by Vice President O'Kelley, seconded by Clerk Walker, Items E  
H4 and H6-L5 were approved by Student Board Member Arionel Douglas  
[REDACTED]

**E. MINUTES**

- 1. Approve the minutes of the Regular Board of Education

**F GENERAL FUNCTIONS CONSENT ITEMS**

- 1. First Reading of revised Board Policy 5132 (a-d); Dress and Grooming
- 2. Second Reading of revised Board Policy 5101.01 (a-c); Student Dress
- 3. Second Reading of revised Board Policy 6142.1(a-c); Instruction: Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction

**G. INSTRUCTION CONSENT ITEMS**

1. Approve student 895351 to be exempt from all physical activities for the

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**H. BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL CONSENT ITEMS**

2. Accept the listed donations from United Food and Commercial Workers Union Local 1167 and DonorsChoose.org. It is requested that a letter of appreciation be sent to these donors.

3. Approve the Carter High Football Booster Club. [REDACTED]

no to

**Item H-5 was pulled from the agenda**

5. ~~Approve an agreement with Pathfinder Ranch Science and Outdoor Education School to provide Science Camp for sixty (60) Preston Elementary School 5<sup>th</sup> grade students, ten (10) parents/adults, and two (2) teachers from April 13, 2020 through April 15, 2020.~~

6. Approve an agreement with the Parent Institute for Quality Education (PIQE) for parents to participate in the PIQE training held at Jehue Middle School, effective October 1, 2019 through December 7, 2019, at a cost of \$9,000.00, to be paid from the General Fund – Title I.

7. Approve agreement with WM Music Lessons, Independent Music  
[REDACTED]

**I. FACILITIES PLANNING CONSENT ITEM - None**

**J. PERSONNEL SERVICES CONSENT ITEMS**

- 1-3. Approve Personnel Report No. 1222 for classified and certificated employees.
4. Adopt Resolution No. 19-20-14 authorizing the Lead Personnel Agent, Personnel Services, to assign various teachers who are enrolled in a credential program, but have not yet completed the requirements to enter an internship program.

5. Adopt Resolution No. 19-20-14 authorizing the Lead Personnel Agent, Personnel Services, to assign various teachers who are enrolled in a credential program, but have not yet completed the requirements to enter an internship program.  
[REDACTED]

**K. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

Upon a motion by Clerk Walker, seconded by President Montes item K1 was approved by a 4-0 vote by the Board of Education.

1. Approve the attendance boundary adjustments for the elementary schools to be implemented in the 2020-2021 school year.  
[REDACTED]

Upon a motion by Clerk Walker seconded by Vice President O'Keller item K2  
[REDACTED]

2. [REDACTED]

Upon a motion by Clerk Walker seconded by President Montes item K3  
a. [REDACTED]





payment of dues in professional organizations.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

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Upon a motion by Student Board Member Douglas, seconded by Clerk Walker, and approved by Student Board Member Douglas's preferential vote and a 4-0 vote by the Board of Education the meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m. with a

of bullying.

Clerk, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education