

RINCON VALLEY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Regular Board Meeting, Board of Trustees  
District Office, 1000 Yulupa Avenue  
September 6, 2011

MINUTES

Present: Ms. Nancy Doherty  
Mrs. Cynthia Evers  
Mr. Chris Rafanelli  
Mrs. Carol Lynn Wood  
Mr. Tom Ford

Administrators: Dr. Casey DeAngelo, Superintendent  
Mr. Joe Pandolfo, Assistant Superintendent for Business

Others: Interested parents and staff

**1. OPEN SESSION**

Ms. Doherty opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

**2. CLOSED SESSION**

Mr. Rafanelli moved and Mr. Ford seconded to recess to closed session at 5:30 p.m. to discuss the following: Unanimous.

**2.1 Collective Bargaining**

**2.1 (a) CSEA**

**2.1 (b) RVUTA**

**3. OPEN SESSION: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE,  
CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Mr. Rafanelli moved and Mr. Ford seconded to adjourn closed session and return to open session at 5:59 pm.: Unanimous. Ms. Doherty then called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

**4. PUBLIC HEARING: Assurance of Pupil Textbooks and Instructional Materials  
Williams Settlement Legislation 2011-2012**

Ms. Doherty opened the public hearing for comments and questions at 6:04 p.m. There were no comments or questions and the public hearing was closed at 6:05 p.m.

**5. AGENDA MODIFICATIONS/ADDITIONS**

Dr. DeAngelo requested to postpone Information Item 11.1 until Mrs. Shippey's arrival.

**6. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION DECISIONS**

Ms. Doherty announced that no action was taken in closed session.

**7. AGENDA AND CONSENT ITEM APPROVAL**

Mr. Ford moved and Mr. Rafanelli seconded to approve the agenda and following consent items: Unanimous.

**7.1 Minutes of August 2, 2011 Regular Board Meeting**

**7.2 Authorization on Child Development Checking Account #0131023186, Resolution # 09-11-04**

**7.3 Approval of Warrants:**

8/05/11	-	1143993 . 1144062
8/12/11	-	1144903 . 1144963
8/19/11	-	1145652 . 1145724
8/29/11	-	1147618 . 1147690

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CALENDAR**

Ms. Doherty announced the following meetings:

Special Board Meeting	September 27, 2011 District Office, 5:30 p.m.
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Regular Board Meeting	October 4, 2011 District Office, 6:00 p.m.
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**9. PUBLIC AND EMPLOYEE REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

None

**10. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS, LEGISLATIVE UPDATE, CORRESPONDENCE**

Dr. DeAngelo commented on the following:

- Dr. DeAngelo has attended seven Back-to-School nights so far. It has given him a sense of each school's culture and the great things going on in the classrooms. He will visit the remaining two schools this week.
- Beginning the 2012-2013 academic year, the cut-off age for kindergarten admittance will be November 2. California will have a gradual change to the cut-off date to become more uniform with the rest of the country by moving the date up one month until 2014. The District will be planning and participating in county meetings to discuss kindergarten transition and the logistics on how that will work.
- The September 27<sup>th</sup> Board meeting will be planning for the future. We will start the process to design a strategic plan to address facilities, transitional kindergarten, where we want to go, and what we want to be.

## **11. INFORMATION**

### **11.1 Summer Intervention Program Report**

Dr. DeAngelo and Mrs. Shippey reported on the 2011 targeted intervention summer school program. Included in the program were nine targeted classes, two GATE classes, and three Jump Start Kindergarten classes that addressed our incoming EL students and students with little or no preschool. 244 students attended. Summer school assessments were reviewed. The goal of the program was to support students' readiness prior to entering school in August 2011. Upon review of the pre and post tests, it shows that most students who participated in Targeted Intervention Summer School maintained a level equal to how they were performing at the end of the school year in May 2011.

### **11.2 Summer Maintenance Report**

Mr. Pandolfo reported on the 2011 summer maintenance projects. Technology projects such as, fiber installation, wireless upgrade, and the planning stage to regionalize our phone system were completed. Mr. Pandolfo presented photos of the construction projects that were completed throughout the district. The last project is the Village entry. Due to the project schedule extending until December, staff recommended the work for the Village entryway be postponed until June of 2012.

### **11.3 STAR Test Results**

Dr. DeAngelo reported on the district's STAR test results. A 2011 STAR summary showed the results for the District and each of the nine schools in a three-year comparison. Overall students went up a little bit. However, the District did not meet AYP in some subgroups, so it is in Program Improvement year 1 even though our API is the highest in the county for a district our size.

Each school received a cd with the scores for each student by grade level. They are able to manipulate this data to look at low and high students by name in each section of both the ELA and Math CST. Dr. DeAngelo demonstrated this process. Principals will be working on intervention plans for their site based on information collected.

### **11.4 Student Services Update**

Dr. DeAngelo will report on current curriculum and instruction activities. Many different professional development trainings and meetings took place in the two weeks before school started. Calendars, agendas, and handouts were included for review. Special Services has applied for a grant from the Sonoma County Assistance Technology Center to train staff to use iPads with their students. A copy of the grant application was reviewed.

### **11.5 BP/AR's for First Reading**

Dr. DeAngelo reported that he will be reviewing, revising, and updating our Board Policy binders this year. He reviewed the policies in the 0000 Series which covers Philosophy-Goals-Objectives & Comprehensive Plans. The following policies are being suggested for revision, deletion, or adoption:

**BP 0420, School Plans/Site Councils . revise**

**AR 0420, School Plans/Site Councils – new**

**BP 0411, Section 504 – delete** (We updated and added new policy but needed to delete the old.)

**BP/AR 0440, District Technology Plan - new**

**BP 0510, School Accountability Report Card – revise**

\*These policies will be brought back for consent at the October meeting.

## **12. ACTION**

### **12.1 Resolution #09-11-02 Declaring that each pupil in the district has sufficient textbooks and/or instructional materials, 2011-2012.**

Mr. Rafanelli moved and Mrs. Evers seconded to approve Resolution #09-11-02 declaring that we provide each student with appropriate materials: Unanimous.

### **12.2 Resolution #09-11-03, GANN Limit**

Mr. Ford moved and Mrs. Evers seconded to approve the annual GANN Limit, Resolution #09-11-03: Unanimous.

### **12.3 2010-2011 Unaudited Actual Report, Rincon Valley Union School District**

Mr. Ford moved and Mrs. Wood seconded to accept the 2010-2011 Unaudited Actual Report, Rincon Valley Union School District: Unanimous.

Mr. Rafanelli asked about the certificated salary comparisons between the time the budget was approved and unaudited actuals. Joe will look at detail.

### **12.4 2010-2011 Unaudited Actual Report, Rincon Valley Charter School**

Mr. Ford moved and Mrs. Evers seconded to accept the 2010-2011 Unaudited Actual Report, Rincon Valley Charter School: Unanimous

### **12.5 Sonoma County Civil Grand Jury Report: The Need for a Whistleblower Program in Sonoma County**

Mrs. Evers moved and Mrs. Wood seconded to approve the district's response to the recommendation and findings to the Sonoma County Civil Grand Jury Report regarding the need for a whistleblower program in Sonoma County: Unanimous.

**12.6 Sonoma County Civil Grand Jury Report: School District Consolidation/Unification**

Mr. Rafanelli moved and Mrs. Evers seconded to approve the district's response to the recommendation and findings to the Sonoma County Civil Grand Jury Report regarding the school district consolidation/unification: Unanimous.

**12.7 Response to Santa Rosa City Schools' Consolidation/Unification Study Letter**

Mr. Rafanelli moved and Mr. Ford seconded to approve the district's response to Santa Rosa City Schools' Consolidation/Unification Letter: Unanimous.

After meeting with other district superintendents, the conclusion was made to wait for the recommendation from the grand jury. If our district is going to be part of a study, we want it to be collaborative.

**13. PERSONNEL**

Mrs. Evers moved and Mr. Rafanelli seconded to approve the following personnel items: Unanimous.

**13.1 Certificated – New Hires**

- Carissa Anderson, Teacher, Binkley, effective August 9, 2011
- Julianne Berg, S & L Therapist, RCSS, effective August 9, 2011
- Jay Juhl, Adaptive PE Teacher, RCSS, effective August 9, 2011
- Jennifer Killam, RSP Teacher, Madrone, effective August 9, 2011
- Ashley Klaus, Teacher, Austin Creek, effective August 9, 2011
- Justin Kornfein, Teacher, RV Charter, effective August 9, 2011
- Jennifer Magee, Teacher, Binkley, effective August 9, 2011
- Jennifer Pick, Teacher, Austin Creek, effective August 9, 2011
- Maria Mercedes Thompson, Teacher, Village, effective August 9, 2011
- Melissa Thurner, Teacher, Spring Creek, effective August 9, 2011

**13.2 Certificated – Long Term Substitutes**

- Amy Baughman, Matanzas, effective August 9, 2011
- Lauren Ridgway, Madrone, effective August 9, 2011
- Michelle Thompson, Binkley, effective August 9, 2011

**13.3 Classified Management – New Hire**

- Lorraine Pimentel, Occupational Therapist, RCSS, effective August 9, 2011

**13.4 Classified – New Hires**

- Blanca Aristondo, Sp. Ed. Inst. Asst., RCSS, effective August 16, 2011
- Pamela Bender, Sp. Ed. Inst. Asst., RCSS, effective August 16, 2011
- Robin Bens, Sp. Ed. Inst. Asst., RCSS, effective August 16, 2011
- Marcie Enos-Vanthong, Noon Duty, Village, effective August 16, 2011
- Ashley Fossum, Sp. Ed. Inst. Asst., RCSS, effective August 16, 2011
- Kerry Hannan, Bus Driver, District, effective August 16, 2011

- Catherine Harris, Sp. Ed. Inst. Asst., RCSS, effective August 16, 2011
- Keiko Monraz, Sp. Ed. Inst. Asst., RCSS, effective August 16, 2011
- Nicole Price, Counseling Intern, District, effective August 16, 2011
- Thomas Prosser, Bus Driver, District, effective August 16, 2011
- Chris Toves, Sp. Ed. Inst. Asst., RCSS, effective August 16, 2011
- Elyse Tunzi, Sp. Ed. Inst. Asst., RCSS, effective August 16, 2011
- Casey Wilson, Noon Duty, Whited, effective August 16, 2011
- Cruz Escutia, Bus Driver, District, effective August 18, 2011

**13.5 Certificated – Leave of Absence Request**

- Heather Filice, Teacher, RCSS, effective August 9 . November 25, 2011

**13.6 Classified – Leave of Absence Request**

- Patricia Conroy, Instr. Asst., Noon Duty, Austin Creek, effective August 16 . November 4, 2011
- Lalita Desai, Sp. Ed. Inst. Asst., RCSS, effective August 22, 2011 . June 5, 2012

**14. CSEA / RVUTA COMMENTS**

There were no comments from CSEA and RVUTA.

**15. BOARD OF TRUSTEE COMMENTS/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Board commented on how nice the Back to School nights have been.

**16. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Technology Report
- API/Curriculum Report
- William Settlement Complaint-Quarterly Report
- 403b

**17. REQUEST FOR INFORMATION**

**18. ADJOURN**

Mr. Ford moved and Mr. Rafanelli seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Unanimous.

Dr. Casey D'Angelo  
 Superintendent  
 Secretary to the Board of Trustees