Rio School District
Minutes
Regular Board Meeting
February 15, 2023
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, Kristine Anderson, Felix Eisenhauer, Alesia Martin, Rosa Balderrama

1. Open Session 5:00 p.m.
1.1 Call to Order
President Torres called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance-Rio del Sol Student
Trustee Eisenhauer led the flag salute.

1.3 Roll Call
Trustee Eisenhauer called the roll.

2. Approval of the Agenda
2.1 Agenda Correction, Additions, Modifications


2.2 Approval of the Agenda
Staff recommends approval as presented

Motion by Felix Eisenhauer, second by Kristine Anderson.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Eleanor Torres, Kristine Anderson, Felix Eisenhauer, Alesia Martin, Rosa Balderrama
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. There were no public comments for closed session.

President Torres adjourned the meeting into closed session at 5:05 p.m.

4. Closed Session
4.1 Conference with Legal Counsel--Anticipated Litigation (Govt. Code § 54956.9(d) (2)): 1 case

4.2 Consideration of Student Discipline- Expulsion [Education Code 48918] Student No. 6015089

4.3 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release [Government Code 54957]


4.6 Public Employee Appointment [Government Code 54957] Title: Director of Fiscal Services

5. Reconvene Open Session 6:00 p.m.
5.1 Report of Closed Session
President Torres reconvened the meeting into open session at 6:40 p.m.

President Torres reported the following took place during closed session:

The Governing Board voted unanimously to non-reelect employee numbers 3912, 4137, 4105, 3845, 3701, 4102, 4132, 4096, 2619 and .05 FTE employee 3909, pursuant to Education Code section 44929.1 subdivision (b), effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year, and gave direction to the Superintendent or designee to issue the appropriate legal notices.

The Governing Board voted unanimously to release .2 FTE of temporary certificated employee number 720 and 1 FTE of temporary certificated employee 4177, pursuant to Education Code section 44929.1 subdivision (b), effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year, and that the Superintendent or designee to issue the appropriate legal notices.

6. Recognitions/Presentations
None
7. Communications
7.1 Acknowledgement of Correspondence to the Board
Trustee Martin forwarded an email that was sent to her to all the board members.

7.2 Board Member Reports
Board member reports were heard from Marisela Valdez, RTA President, and Sara Vasquez, CSEA Treasurer.

7.3 Organizational Reports-RTA/CSEA/Other
Organizational reports were heard from Marisela Valdez, RTA President and

7.4 Superintendent Report
There was no report.

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.

Public comments were heard from Adam Erickson, Jenika Becerra and Elsy Madrigal.

8. Public Hearings

8.1 Public Hearing for the CSEA Sunshine Proposal to the District
Trustee Torres opened the hearing at 6:57 p.m. As there were no comments, the hearing was closed at 6:57 p.m.

8.2 Public Hearing for the District Sunshine Proposal to CSEA
Trustee Torres opened the hearing at 6:58 p.m. As there were no comments, President Torres closed the hearing at 6:58 p.m.

9. Information
9.1 Business Services Report
Superintendent Puglisi reported for Mr. Saleh.

Superintendent Puglisi presented an update with the assistance from Enrico Giori and Olivia Graf Doyle, A4E. Much stakeholder involvement with feedback as well and participation from the Governing Board. The bond has passed and we will have funding possibly in March. Projects are being costed out and designs have begun. Key findings include doors, signage, tech, access to views, fencing and perimeter security plus exterior and interior lighting.
A countywide focus has been on safety issue particularly to active assailant preparedness. Survey results were shared.

9.2 Educational Services Report
Oscar Hernandez, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, presented various reports.

Dr. Mercado spoke to the EXPLORE program updates. Funding for the programs was discussed. A comparison of enrollment from the past two years showed an increase in this year’s enrollment. Feedback from several parents was shared.

Mr. Hernandez shared the Suspension and Expulsion report. Historical data was provided. Youth Truth surveys and results were also shared. The last update was the English Language Learner update.

9.3 Human Resources Updates
Rebecca Rocha, Director of Human Resources, presented a COVID/Attendance Update and Current Staffing Numbers Table.

9.4 First Reading of CSBA Board Policies
Superintendent Puglisi informed the Governing Board the policies presented are policies revised by CSBA in accordance with changes in the law or Ed Code. Staff has reviewed the changes and the Governing Board will be asked to approve at the next regular board meeting in March.

10. Discussion/Action
10.1 Ratification of Tentative Agreement with the Rio Teacher's Association
Administration recommends approval of the TA with RTA.

Motion by Kristine Anderson, second by Alesia Martin.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Eleanor Torres, Kristine Anderson, Alesia Martin, Rosa Balderrama
No: Felix Eisenhauer

10.2 Approval of Sunshine Proposal from CSEA to the Rio School District
District is recommending approval at this time.

Motion by Kristine Anderson, second by Alesia Martin.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Eleanor Torres, Kristine Anderson, Felix Eisenhauer, Alesia Martin, Rosa Balderrama

10.3 Approval of the Sunshine Proposal from the Rio School District to CSEA AND ITS CHAPTER 329
Administration recommends approval of this item.

Motion by Kristine Anderson, second by Alesia Martin.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Eleanor Torres, Kristine Anderson, Felix Eisenhauer, Alesia Martin, Rosa Balderrama

10.4 Certification of Merit Petition Election Results by Tabulation Committee Administration recommends approval of the Certification of the Merit Petition Election Results. The election resulted in a total of 243 votes cast: 123 against and 120 in favor.

Motion by Felix Eisenhauer, second by Rosa Balderrama.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Eleanor Torres, Felix Eisenhauer, Alesia Martin, Rosa Balderrama
No: Kristine Anderson

11. Consent
11.1 Approval of the Consent Agenda
Staff recommends approval of the consent agenda, as amended.

Motion by Felix Eisenhauer, second by Eleanor Torres.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Eleanor Torres, Kristine Anderson, Felix Eisenhauer, Alesia Martin, Rosa Balderrama

11.2 Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 18, 2023

11.3 Approval of the February Personnel Report

11.4 Ratification of the Commercial Warrant for January 5, 2023 through February 3, 2023

11.5 Approval of the 22/23 School Safety Plans for all School Sites

11.6 Approval of Mystery Science Kits Purchase for the 2023-2024 School Year

11.7 2023/2024 Service Contracts with Ventura County Special Education Local Area Plan (VCSELPA) for Adaptive Physical Education Services, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services, Orientation and Mobility Services, Physical Therapy Services, and Occupational Therapy Services

11.8 Contract with Karen Horde, School Psychologist, Independent Contractor
Staff recommends board approval of contract.
Motion by Kristine Anderson, second by Eleanor Torres.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Eleanor Torres, Kristine Anderson, Felix Eisenhauer, Alesia Martin, Rosa Balderrama

11.9 Contract with Rebecca Simonson, School Psychologist, Independent Contractor
Staff recommends board approval of contract.
Motion by Kristine Anderson, second by Eleanor Torres.
Final Resolution: Motion Carries
Yes: Eleanor Torres, Kristine Anderson, Felix Eisenhauer, Alesia Martin, Rosa Balderrama
11.10 Approval of proposal for the Rio Vista Gym Locker Rooms HVAC

11.11 Approval of Change Order #2 from EJS Construction, Inc. for changes in the scope of work at Rio Real, for the HVAC & Electrical, Project #22-02L.

11.12 Approval of Change Order #3 from EJS Construction, Inc. for changes in the scope of work at Rio Plaza for the HVAC and Electrical, Project 22-02L

12. Organizational Business
12.1 Future Items for Discussion
Items for future consideration included updates on the LST and software programs.

12.2 Future Meeting Dates: Special Board Meeting, February 21, 2023 and Regular Board Meeting March 15, 2023

13. Adjournment
13.1 Adjournment
President Torres adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Approved on this 15th day of March, 2023.

John Puglisi, Ph.D., Secretary                  Date

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Clerk of the Board                  Date