RIVER SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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REGULAR CALLED MEETING
MINUTES

3:00 p.m.

August 14, 2017

45000 Pechanga Parkway

Temecula, CA

Our mission is to empower students by fostering their innate curiosity, engaging their parents, and promoting optimum learning by collaboratively developing a personalized learning program for each student.

PRESENT:

Charlene Ponzio, Board Chair Carl Burke, Vice Chair Chuck Vela, Secretary Stephen Darrow, Treasurer Jessica Mercer, Board Director Sheila Ryle, Board Director	Kathleen Hermsmeyer, Superintendent Tanya Rogers, Asst. Supt. of Business Diane Anvari, Asst. Supt. of Personnel Chris Lemke, Director of Guidance George Essel, Lead CTE Coordinator Natali South, Director of Executive Support Linda Parks, Legal Counsel Karl Yoder, Chief Financial Officer

1. **Action: Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance**
   - Ms. Ponzio called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. **Action: Approval of Agenda**
   - Ms. Mercer moved to approve the agenda.
   - Mr. Vela seconded.
   - Vote: 6 Ayes (Ponzio, Burke, Vela, Darrow, Ryle, Mercer); 0 Noes; 0 Absent. Motion Adopted.

3. **Action: Approval of Minutes from July 13, 2017**
   - Ms. Ryle moved to approve the Minutes from the July 13, 2017 meeting.
   - Mr. Darrow seconded.
   - Discussion: None
   - Vote: 6 Ayes (Ponzio, Burke, Vela, Darrow, Ryle, Mercer); 0 Noes; 0 Absent. Motion Adopted.

4. **Information: PUBLIC COMMENTS**
   - None

5. **Information: Superintendent's Report**
   - Dr. Hermsmeyer reviewed the Superintendent's report and network-wide updates. We expect Bear River in Menifee to be open by the first day of school. Magnolia (YMCA) is a few weeks behind, and we are making alternative arrangements for the students until we can move in, probably late September.

6. **Action: Approval of Suicide Prevention Policy BP 5024.1**
   - Mr. Burke moved to approve Board Policy 5024.1 regarding suicide prevention measures.
   - Ms. Mercer seconded.
   - Discussion: Chris Lemke, Director of Guidance, described this policy, which is required by the state, and explained the measures that Springs is putting in place to support the policy. Board members requested to see Administrative Regulations or supporting handbooks at a future meeting.
   - Vote: 6 Ayes (Ponzio, Burke, Vela, Darrow, Ryle, Mercer); 0 Noes; 0 Absent. Motion Adopted.

7. **Action: Approval of PCS & Salary Scales**
   - Ms. Mercer moved to approve the revised Position Control & Salary Scales.
   - Mr. Burke seconded.
   - Discussion: Diane Anvari indicated that the PCS & Salary Scales have been revised to address a raise in Education Specialist (ES) pay, and other minor edits.
   - Vote: 6 Ayes (Ponzio, Burke, Vela, Darrow, Ryle, Mercer); 0 Noes; 0 Absent. Motion Adopted.

8. **Action: Approval of Superintendent's Contract 2017-18**
   - Ms. Ryle moved to approve the Superintendent's Contract for 2017-18.
   - Ms. Mercer seconded.
   - Discussion: Tanya Rogers reviewed the contract and indicated it will be presented to the other charters in the network.
   - Vote: 6 Ayes (Ponzio, Burke, Vela, Darrow, Ryle, Mercer); 0 Noes; 0 Absent. Motion Adopted.

9. **Action: Approval of Release of Claim**
   - Ms. Ryle moved to approve the Release of Claim for Loretta Palacios
   - Mr. Burke seconded.
   - Discussion: Diane Anvari explained the circumstances reimbursing Loretta Palacios for medical expenses contingent upon the release of claim agreement.
   - Vote: 6 Ayes (Ponzio, Burke, Vela, Darrow, Ryle, Mercer); 0 Noes; 0 Absent. Motion Adopted.

10. **Action: Approval of CTE Advisory Committee Members**
    - Ms. Ryle moved to approve the CTE Advisory Committee Members.
    - Mr. Burke seconded.
    - Discussion: George Essel presented this item and described the responsibilities of the CTE Advisory Board.
    - Vote: 6 Ayes (Ponzio, Burke, Vela, Darrow, Ryle, Mercer); 0 Noes; 0 Absent. Motion Adopted.

11. **Information: Bond Underwriter Selection**
    - Karl Yoder reviewed the Underwriter Selection process and indicated that the committee has agreed to move forward with Stifel, Nicolaus & Company for 2017 RSCS Revenue Bonds.

12. Information: BOARD COMMENTS & AGENDA ITEM REQUESTS

- Mr. Darrow: I'm glad to be at Pechanga. This is always a great event.
- Ms. Mercer: The Bear River Ribbon Cutting was a great event. Often those kinds of events are focused on the adults, but staff did a great job of making it fun for kids. It's a great campus!
- Mr. Vela: I know a lot of effort goes into the Pechanga conference, and I want to thank everyone who is involved. Looking forward to the upcoming year!
- Ms. Ponzio:
  - Do we teach Mandarin at any of our campuses:
    - We currently have a position posted, but have not found someone with the appropriate credential.
  - Bear River's Ribbon Cutting was great, and I'm so glad I attended. It's always great to see our schools!
  - Do we offer yoga in for our SpEd students? I've heard that it can be beneficial.
    - We don't presently have an official yoga program or instructor.
  - Could Vivian present at a future meeting and talk about Homeschool scores and achievement and ESes?
    - We will find a time at a future meeting, especially after all of the data has been evaluated.
  - I am looking forward to tonight and the rest of the conference.
- Future Agenda items: Suicide Prevention Handbook, Homeschool Presentation

13. Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

- Mr. Vela motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:39 p.m.
- Ms. Mercer seconded.
- Vote: 6 Ayes (Ponzio, Burke, Vela, Darrow, Ryle, Mercer); 0 Noes; 0 Absent. Motion Adopted.

Stephen Darrow, Secretary

9/7/17
Date