

**RIVER SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
27740 JEFFERSON AVENUE • TEMECULA, CA 92590**

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

**April 11, 2019
12:00 p.m.**

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:

Sheila Ryle, Chair Chuck Vela, Vice Chair Jessica Mercer, Secretary Reginald Wadlington, Treasurer Carl Burke, Board Director Charlene Ponzio, Board Director Stephen Darrow, Board Chair	Kathleen Hermsmeyer, Superintendent Tanya Rogers, Asst. Superintendent of Business Amy Podratz, Asst. Superintendent, Admin Ops Robert Hennings, Asst. Superintendent Pupil Services Vivian Price, Asst. Superintendent, Education Diane Anvari, Asst. Superintendent, Personnel Natali South, Director of Executive Support Linda Rhoads-Parks, Legal Counsel
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- 1. Closed Session – Entered into at 12:00 p.m.**
 - Conference with Real Property Negotiator: NP-745
- 2. Call to Order – Open Session**
 - Ms. Ryle called the meeting to order at 12:55 p.m.
- 3. Action: Approval of Agenda**
 - Mr. Wadlington moved to approve the agenda.
 - Mr. Burke seconded.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Ryle; Ponzio, Burke, Wadlington, Vela, Mercer, Darrow; 0 Noes; 0 Absent;
Motion Adopted
- 4. Action: Report of Action Taken in Closed Session in Accordance with Gov. Code Section 54957.1 & 54957.9**
 - Conference with Real Property Negotiator: NP-745
 - The Board authorized the lease agreement.
- 5. Action: Approval of Minutes from March 7, 2019**
 - Mr. Wadlington moved to approve the Minutes from the February 14, 2019 meeting.

- Mr. Vela seconded.
- Discussion: None
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Ryle; Ponzio, Burke, Wadlington, Vela, Mercer, Darrow; 0 Noes; 0 Absent;
Motion Adopted

6. **Action: Approval of Consent Agenda**

- Ms. Ponzio moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Warrants, PAR, and Contract Ratification for Jim Graves.
- Mr. Vela seconded.
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Ryle; Ponzio, Burke, Wadlington, Vela, Mercer, Darrow; 0 Noes; 0 Absent;
Motion Adopted

7. **Information: PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- None

8. **Information: Superintendent's Report**

- Dr. Hermsmeyer reviewed the Superintendent's report and provided updates on network-wide activities. Additionally, she provided an update on current legislative issues facing charter schools.

9. **Information: First Reading: BP 5027.1 CIF Athletics**

- Amy Podratz reviewed the CIF Athletic policy which outlines the details of our CIF athletic program. The policy will be brought back at a future meeting for second reading and approval.

10. **Presentation: Riverside Student Center 42Q Report**

- Victor Uribe reviewed the 42Q report for the Riverside Student Center and highlighted the things that the center has focused on this year.

11. **Presentation: Palm Academy Student Center 42Q Report**

- Alyssa Gonzalez discussed this year's activities and accomplishments at Palm Academy and reviewed the 42Q report.

12. **Presentation: Hemet Quest Student Center 42Q Report**

- This report will be presented at the next meeting.

13. **Presentation: Murrieta t Student Center 42Q Report**

- Julia Krisel reviewed the 42Q report for the Murrieta Student Center and discussed achievement data and this year's accomplishments.

14. **Presentation: Bear River Student Center 42Q Report**

- Shane Wickwire reviewed achievement and growth data from the 42Q report and introduced two students from the Bear River Student Center who discussed their favorite things about attending this school.

15. **Presentation: Temecula Student Center 42Q Report**
 - Ben Taylor reviewed the 42Q Report for the Temecula Student Center and highlighted the initiatives their campus has worked on this year, along with achievement for their students.
16. **Presentation: River Springs Homeschool 42Q Report**
 - Vivian Price reviewed the 42Q Report for the Homeschool Program and highlighted the opportunities available to our Homeschool students. Vivian discussed remediation efforts to increase achievement, particularly in Math.
17. **Action: Approval of Material Revision to RSCS Charter Petition with RCBE**
 - Ms. Ponzio moved to approve the revised petition.
 - Mr. Vela seconded.
 - Discussion: Dr. Hermsmeyer discussed the revisions that were made to the charter in order to add the Del Rio Student Center.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Ryle; Ponzio, Burke, Wadlington, Vela, Mercer, Darrow; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted
18. **Action: Approval of Parent Representative Community Advisory Committee**
 - Ms. Mercer moved to approve Doreen DeHaan as the parent representative on the Community Advisory Committee.
 - Mr. Wadlington seconded.
 - Discussion: Robert Hennings explained the purpose of the parent advisory committee. The Board expressed their appreciation of Ms. DeHaan's willingness to serve on the committee and would like to meet her at an upcoming meeting.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Ryle; Ponzio, Burke, Wadlington, Vela, Mercer, Darrow; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted
19. **Action: Approval of Spectrum Contract**
 - Mr. Wadlington moved to approve the Spectrum contract.
 - Ms. Mercer seconded.
 - Discussion: Leilani Weiss reviewed the Spectrum contract which is for 36 months, and will increase infrastructure on our server to service two sites.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Ryle; Ponzio, Burke, Wadlington, Vela, Mercer, Darrow; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted
20. **Action: Approval of Long Distance Travel – Personalized Learning Summit Conference**
 - Ms. Ponzio moved to approve Long Distance Travel for Vivian Price, Kim Bagby and Tamara Rose to attend the Personalized Learning Summit Conference in Atlanta, GA.
 - Mr. Burke seconded.
 - Discussion: Vivian Price explained that this conference focusing specifically on personalized learning.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Ryle; Ponzio, Burke, Wadlington, Vela, Mercer, Darrow; 0 Noes; 0 Absent; Motion Adopted

21. Action: Approval of Long Distance Travel – ASCA Annual Conference

- Mr. Wadlington moved to approve Long Distance Travel for Kristin Turner to attend the ASCA Conference in Boston, MA.
- Ms. Ponzio seconded.
- Discussion: Robert Hennings described the benefits of this conference, which will be covered by Medi-Cal fund reimbursement.
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Ryle; Ponzio, Burke, Wadlington, Vela, Mercer, Darrow; 0 Noes; 0 Absent;
Motion Adopted

22. Information: BOARD COMMENTS and FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Ms. Mercer: I enjoyed hearing the passion that our principals have for their programs, and how they each incorporate their own personality, while still keeping the Springs' way. I like the co-teaching initiative.
- Mr. Wadlington: I like that we focus on our IEP students. Also, today is my 32nd anniversary!
- Mr. Vela: As we know, there are many bills that are anti-charter in the legislature right now. We are being outmatched by the CTA. We need to be sure that we are doing all we can on social media and other avenues to explain the truth about charters.
- Ms. Ryle: I love seeing the children, and I'm glad some joined us today!
- Mr. Burke: I have had this pro-charter school conversation with my own daughter. We need to be sure that we share our successes so that they understand it from a personal perspective. Thanks to Kathleen for equipping staff so well. Today's 42Qs were very informative and yet all stayed on time, which was wonderful.
- Ms. Ponzio: Thank you for the FAPA Groundbreaking. It was an impressive event! I am looking forward to this site opening. Having our principals present is always inspiring. It's great to highlight all of the choices we offer.

23. Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

- Mr. Vela moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:35 p.m.
- Ms. Mercer seconded.
- Vote: 7 Ayes: Ryle; Ponzio, Burke, Wadlington, Vela, Mercer, Darrow; 0 Noes; 0 Absent;
Motion Adopted



Jessica Mercer, Secretary



Date