

RIVER SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

27740 JEFFERSON AVE • TEMECULA, CA 92590

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 10, 2022

12:00 p.m.

27740 Jefferson Ave, Temecula, CA 92590

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:

Rachel Couch, Board Chair Jamie Thompson, Vice Chair Steffany Johnson, Secretary Louis Fetherolf, Treasurer Reginald Wadlington, Board Chair Stevie Heiliger, Board Director Jenny Adamo, Board Director	Kathleen Hermsmeyer, Superintendent Amy Podratz, Asst. Superintendent, Admin Ops Tanya Rogers, Asst. Superintendent, Business Debbie Daniel, Asst. Superintendent, Pupil Services Vivian Price, Asst. Superintendent, Education Natali South, Senior Director of Charter Relations Cheryl Smallman, Director of Enrollment Leilani Weiss, Financial Analyst, Facilities Linda Rhoads-Parks, Legal Counsel
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- 1. Closed Session - in Accordance with Gov Code Section 54954.5/54956.9: Entered into at 12:04 p.m.**
 - Conference Regarding Existing Litigation - Student ID# 7479219780
- 2. Open Session - Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**
 - Ms. Couch called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Report of Action Taken in Closed Session**
 - Conference Regarding Existing Litigation - Student ID# 7479219780
 - The Board authorized the settlement agreement.
- 4. Action: Approval of Agenda**
 - Mr. Fetherolf moved to approve the agenda.
 - Mr. Wadlington seconded.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson, Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

5. **Approval of Declaration of Virtual Board Meeting**
 - Ms. Thompson moved to approve the need for a virtual Board meeting.
 - Ms. Heiliger seconded.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson, Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

6. **Action: Approval of Board Minutes from February 10, 2022**
 - Mr. Wadlington moved to approve the Board Minutes from February 10, 2022.
 - Ms. Adamo seconded.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson, Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

7. **Action: Approval of Board Minutes from February 22, 2022**
 - Mr. Wadlington moved to approve the Board Minutes from February 22, 2022.
 - Ms. Thompson seconded.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson, Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

8. **Action: Approval of Consent Agenda**
 - Ms. Couch moved to remove the Warrant Register from the Consent Agenda and approve all other items consisting of: Personnel Action Report, and Contract Ratifications: Stand Guard, Scoot Education Services, and Jim Graves.
 - Mr. Wadlington seconded.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson, Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

 - Ms. Thompson moved to approve the Warrant Register.
 - Mr. Adamo seconded.
 - Discussion: Ms. Couch asked about a particular warrant item, and staff answered the question.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson, Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

9. **Information: Superintendent's Report**
 - Dr. Hermsmeyer reviewed the Superintendent's Report and provided updates. Masks will become optional as of March 14, 2022 which is a welcome relief for many of our families.

10. **Public Comments**
 - None

- 11. Information: Completion of Statement of Conflict Interest Form 700**

 - Natali South reminded the Board that the annual conflict of interest forms have been sent to their homes with return envelopes.

- 12. Action: Approval of Long-Distance Travel - National Charter School Convention**

 - Mr. Wadlington moved to approve the long-distance travel for Kathleen Hermsmeyer, Vivian Price and Tanya Rogers to attend the National Charter School Convention in Washington D.C. in June, 2022.
 - Ms. Johnson seconded.
 - Discussion: Dr. Hermsmeyer indicated that this conference has a lot of helpful information and opportunity for connection with other charter leaders.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson, Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

- 13. Action: Approval of 2nd Interim Report**

 - Mr. Fetherolf moved to approve the 2nd Interim Report.
 - Mr. Wadlington seconded.
 - Discussion: Tanya Rogers reviewed the 2nd Interim Report and provided financial updates.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson, Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted


- 14. Action: Approval of Preferred Meals Temporary Price Increase**

 - Ms. Thompson moved to approve the temporary price increase with Preferred Meals.
 - Ms. Johnson seconded.
 - Discussion: Tanya Rogers indicated that due to supply chain and economy issues, the cost of providing meals is going up temporarily. The contract will be reviewed again prior to renewal.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson, Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

- 15. Action: Approval of Second Reading and Approval of Board Policy 5023.1 - Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten**

 - Mr. Wadlington moved to approve Board Policy 5023.1 Transitional Kindergarten and Kindergarten, upon second reading.
 - Ms. Adamo seconded.
 - Discussion: Cheryl Smallman reviewed this policy and reminded the Board that it had been presented at a previous meeting for a first reading.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson, Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

16. **Action: Approval of Spectrum Enterprise Contract**
- Mr. Fetherolf moved to approve the Spectrum Enterprise contract.
 - Ms. Thompson seconded.
 - Discussion: Leilani Weiss reviewed the contract and answered Board members' questions.
 - Vote: 7 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson, Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
17. **Board Comments**
- Mr. Wadlington: I hope you all have a good day!
 - Ms. Adamo: I appreciate all of the different staff members who submit items and present them. It takes a village!
 - Mr. Fetherolf: I recently represented River Springs at the WASC review. It was a thorough interview, and went well. This is due to the great leadership we have here at Springs.
 - Ms. Thompson: I am glad to hear that the WASC visiting committee had charter school members.
18. **Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting**
- Mr. Fetherolf moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:53 p.m.
 - Ms. Adamo seconded.
 - 7 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson, Wadlington; 0 Absent; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted



Steffany Johnson, Secretary

April 14, 2022

Date