

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

**REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

August 10, 2022

1:00 p.m.

**Pechanga Resort Casino
45000 Pechanga Pkwy
Temecula, CA 92592**

Cottonwood Meeting Room - 2nd Floor

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:

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 of Admin Ops Virginia Smith, Asst. Superintendent, Human Resources Natali South, Senior Director of Charter Relations Katherine Van Leeuwen, Senior Director of Admin Ops Linda Rhoads-Parks, Legal Counsel
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- 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**
 - Natali South called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Action: Approval of Agenda**
 - Mr. Wadlington moved to approve the agenda.
 - Mr. Fetherolf seconded.
 - Vote: 5 Ayes: Adamo, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Wadlington; 2 Absent: Couch, Thompson; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
- 3. Public Comments**
 - None

4. **Action: Approval of Revised Board Policy 5006.1 - Independent Study Policy**
 - Ms. Johnson moved to approve the Revised Board Policy 5006.1 - Independent Study Policy.
 - Ms. Adamo seconded.
 - Discussion: Amy Podratz reviewed the changes to this policy and indicated that it is required to have the updated policy in place prior to the start of school.
 - Vote: 5 Ayes: Adamo, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Wadlington; 2 Absent: Couch, Thompson; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

5. **Action: Approval of MOU with Barstow Community College**
 - Mr. Wadlington moved to approve the MOU with Barstow Community College.
 - Ms. Johnson seconded.
 - Discussion: Dr. Hermsmeyer explained that the partnership with Barstow Community College will allow our students to earn college credit.
 - Vote: 5 Ayes: Adamo, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Wadlington; 2 Absent: Couch, Thompson; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

6. **Action: Approval of Declaration of Need for Highly Qualified Teachers**
 - Mr. Wadlington moved to approve the Declaration of Need for Highly Qualified Teachers.
 - Ms. Adamo seconded.
 - Discussion: Virginia Smith explained that the DON is certifying that there is an insufficient number of certificated staff with English Learner authorizations. Having the adopted DON in place will allow time for teachers to seek the necessary certifications.
 - Vote: 5 Ayes: Adamo, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Wadlington; 2 Absent: Couch, Thompson; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

7. **Action: Approval of Credential Waiver for Special Education Teacher - Huntington Howe**
 - Ms. Adamo moved to approve the Credential Waiver for Special Education Teacher - Huntington Howe.
 - Ms. Heiliger seconded.
 - Discussion: Virginia Smith indicated that Ms. Howe is in pursuit of completing her credential, and this waiver allows her to serve in the classroom while she completes the program.
 - Vote: 5 Ayes: Adamo, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Wadlington; 2 Absent: Couch, Thompson; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

8. Information: Annual Board Training

- Linda Rhoads-Parks, Esq., provided comprehensive training for the Boards on the matters of The Brown Act, CG1090, Conflict of Interest and other Board-related responsibilities.

9. Board Comments

- None

10. Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

- M moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:13 p.m.
- M seconded.
- Vote: 5 Ayes: Adamo, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Wadlington; 2 Absent: Couch, Thompson; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted



Secretary

9/15/22

Date