

# RIVER SPRINGS CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

27740 JEFFERSON AVE • TEMECULA, CA 92590

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 15, 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:

Jamie Thompson, Chair Steffany Johnson, Vice Chair Louis Fetherolf, Secretary Stevie Heiliger, Treasurer Jenny Adamo, Board Director Rachel Couch, Board Director	Kathleen Hermsmeyer, Superintendent Amy Podratz, Asst. Superintendent, Admin Ops Tanya Rogers, Asst. Superintendent, Business Debbie Daniel, Asst. Superintendent, Pupil Services Natali South, Senior Director of Charter Relations Dave Black, Senior Director of Facilities Courtney Cook, Senior Director of Special Education Leilani Weiss, Director of Special Projects, IT/Facilities Erin Chafin, Credential Analyst Linda Rhoads-Parks, Legal Counsel
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- 1. Call to Order & Closed Session - in Accordance with Gov Code Section 54957.1/54957.9: Entered into at 12:07 p.m.**
  - Approval of Special Education Settlement - Student ID #9860929312
- 2. Open Session - Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**
  - Ms. Couch called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Report of Action Taken in Closed Session**
  - The Board authorized the Settlement Agreement.
- 4. Action: Election of Officers & Appointment of Subcommittees**
  - Mr. Fetherolf moved to elect Jamie Thompson as Board Chair.
  - Ms. Thompson seconded.
  - Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson;

1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

- Ms. Couch moved to elect Steffany Johnson as Vice Chair.
- Ms. Thompson seconded.
- Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson;  
1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
  
- Ms. Johnson moved to elect Louis Fetherolf as Board Secretary.
- Ms. Couch seconded.
- Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson;  
1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
  
- Ms. Thompson moved to elect Stevie Heiliger as Board Treasurer.
- Ms. Adamo seconded.
- Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson;  
1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
  
- Mr. Fetherolf moved to appoint Jenny Adamo, Stevie Heiliger and Steffany Johnson to the Superintendent's Evaluation Subcommittee.
- Ms. Thompson seconded.
- Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson;  
1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
  
- Ms. Johnson moved to appoint Rachel Couch and Jamie Thompson as River Springs' representative on the Succession Plan Subcommittee.
- Ms. Adamo seconded.
- Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson;  
1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

**5. Action: Approval of Agenda**

- Mr. Fetherolf moved to approve the agenda.
- Ms. Adamo seconded.
- Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson;  
1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

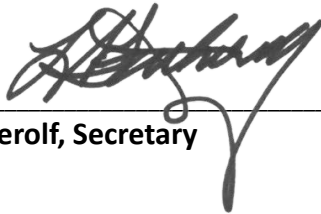
**6. Action: Approval of Minutes from June 9, 2022**

- Ms. Adamo moved to approve the Minutes from June 8, 2022.
- Mr. Fetherolf seconded.
- Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson;  
1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

7. **Action: Approval of Minutes from August 10, 2022**
  - Ms. Johnson moved to approve the Minutes from August 10, 2022.
  - Mr. Fetherolf seconded.
  - Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson;  
1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
  
8. **Action: Approval of Consent Agenda**
  - Ms. Adamo moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of: Warrants; Personnel Action Report; Contract Ratifications: Concur, ESGI Phonics, EMS Ling, Jime Graves, Language Tree, Letterland, PearDeck, and RCOE/RSCS MOU.
  - Ms. Heiliger seconded.
  - Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson;  
1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
  
9. **Public Comments**
  - None
  
10. **Information: Superintendent's Report**
  - Dr. Hermsmeyer reviewed the Superintendent's Report and provided updates regarding the start of school activities. Additionally, she indicated that several of our principals are new this year and are receiving support for their new roles.
  
11. **Information: Notification to Riverside County SELPA of Intent to Investigate SELPA Transition for 2023-24 School Year**
  - Courtney Cook explained that River Springs has given notice to Riverside County SELPA that we will be considering transitioning to another provider, El Dorado SELPA, for services in order for the network to be members of the same SELPA. The notification must be made to the SELPA as well as our Board prior to engaging in services with a different provider.
  
12. **Action: Approval of Moore Flooring Contract for Riverside Student Center**
  - Mr. Fetherolf moved to approve the Moore Flooring Contract for Riverside Student Center.
  - Ms. Johnson seconded.
  - Discussion: Dave Black indicated that this contract will provide new flooring at the Riverside Student Center.
  - Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson;  
1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

- 13. Action: Approval of Lease Addendum with Temple Baptist Church: Del Rio Student Center**
- Ms. Adamo moved to approve the Lease Addendum with Temple Baptist Church: Del Rio Student Center.
  - Ms. Couch seconded.
  - Discussion: Dave Black explained that the amendment allows us additional space on the property.
  - Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson; 1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
- 14. Action: Approval of Lease with Grace Fellowship: Cherry Valley Student Center**
- Ms. Adamo moved to approve the Grace Fellowship: Cherry Valley Student Center.
  - Mr. Fetherolf seconded.
  - Discussion: Dave Black explained that the lease will allow Springs to occupy a portion of the Grace Fellowship property for our Cherry Valley Student Center.
  - Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson; 1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
- 15. Action: Approval of Unaudited Actuals**
- Ms. Adamo moved to approve the Unaudited Actuals.
  - Ms. Johnson seconded.
  - Discussion: Tanya Rogers reviewed the Unaudited Actuals report and provided financial updates and projections. She explained that the report represents the first budget for River done outside of RCOE's Galaxy system, which allows River to be on the same financial accounting program that the rest of the network utilizes. She indicated that we have a plan in place to disperse the one-time monies we received over the next few years.
  - Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson; 1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
- 16. Action: Approval of Credential Waiver Academy Teacher - Brittany Perez**
- Ms. Adamo moved to approve the Credential Waiver Academy Teacher.
  - Ms. Johnson seconded.
  - Discussion: Erin Chafin explained to the Board that this teacher in pursuit of credential necessary for her position, and can be covered by a credential waiver while in the process.
  - Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson; 1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted

17. **Action: Approval of Superintendent's Goals 2022-23**
- Ms. Couch moved to approve the Superintendent's Goals 2022-23.
  - Ms. Adamo seconded.
  - Discussion: Dr. Hermsmeyer reviewed her goals for this school year. She highlighted the importance of CAASPP participation in terms of renewal, and provided the background for each of the other goals.
  - Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson; 1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted
18. **Board Comments**
- Ms. Adamo: Is there any room for Bear River to grow in consideration of their waitlist?
    - Staff explained that we have recently added additional classrooms, and we are looking for other solutions to maximize the campus.
19. **Action: Motion to Adjourn the Meeting**
- Mr. Fetherolf moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:49 p.m.
  - Ms. Couch seconded.
  - Vote: 6 Ayes: Adamo, Couch, Fetherolf, Heiliger, Johnson, Thompson; 1 Absent: Wadlington; 0 Noes; Motion Adopted



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Louis Fetherolf, Secretary

10/13/22

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Date