

Minutes of the RLA Regular Board Meeting
Due to COVID-19 meeting held via Zoom for the public
Board Members met in Person at the RUSD Board Room
May 19, 2021 at 5:30pm

Present:

Liza Cotton

Angie Timpone

Reina Negrete

Rob Perez

Present: Non Voting

Vanessa Rojas

Lupe Velazquez (arrived later)

Mario Castrejon

Ricardo Jimenez

Absent: Michelle Guzman

I. Call to Order|Flag Salute

Meeting was called to order at 5:55pm

1st motion: Angie Timpone 2nd: Liza Cotton

Yays: 4 Absent: Guzman

II. Public Comments

No public comments

III. Board Member Reports

Angie Timpone-Thank you for having me, I'll miss RLA, the experience has been very rewarding.

Liza Cotton-Thank you, RLA, as a whole, has been a great experience.

Reina Negrete-I attended the Central Valley League for sports, due to the pandemic, Charter School Sports were not taking place. Big Valley will not take the lead in coordinating small school and charter school sports which was previously taken care of by Our Lady of Fatima. There was a recent meeting to see how sports will start back up. There was no Science Olympiad last year but hoping to get that going this year as things begin to open up. I've been staying on top of meetings to keep up with the new information.

Rob Perez- Will attend the Governor's May Revision budget meeting, and I will be working to complete the budget by next Friday.

IV. Director's Report

A. Professional Development and Trainings

1. From Physical Plant to Mental Health: What's the best use for American Rescue Plan Education Funds, April 22, 2021

2. LCAP Professional Learning Network and State & Federal Program Network, May 7, 2021
- B. Student Events
1. RLA English Learner Reclassification Awards Assembly, May 4, 2021
 2. State Testing-Students completed CAASPP Assessments
 3. 8th grade student portfolio presentations, May 17 & 18, 2021, Mrs. Rojas thanked Mr. Velazquez for and the Middle School Team for coordinating the portfolios.
- C. State Reports 2020-2021
1. Expanded Learning Opportunities Plan
 2. Local Control Accountability Plan
- D. Upcoming Meetings and Events
1. Kindergarten Graduation, Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at 9:15am
 2. 8th grade Promotion Ceremony, Wednesday, May 26 2021 at 6:00pm
 3. RUSD Board Meeting, June 1, 2021
 4. Regular Meeting of the RLA Board, June 9, 2021 at 5:30pm

V. Presentations

- A. Expanded Learning Opportunities Plan-Director Vanessa Rojas presented the ELO Plan for Riverbank Language Academy, the plan outlined supports in the following areas:
- 1-To provide instructional support in core areas such as literacy and math, support core instruction
 - 2-Increase academic opportunities for students
 - 3-To provide in person instruction and integrate health and safety guidelines
 - 4-To provide social and mental health support for students

VI. Consent Items

- A. Warrants for April 2021
- B. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the RLA Board held on April 21, 2021
 Approved Consent Items A and B
 1st motion: Liza Cotton 2nd: Angie Timpone
 Yays: 4 ayes Absent: Guzman

VII. Information Discussion Items

- A. Public Hearing : Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Riverbank Language Academy: Goals, Actions and Services Summary
 Mrs. Rojas presented a summary of the Local Control Accountability Plan for RLA with a general overview of actions and services for the new LCAP.

LCFF and LCAP works to address funding inequities across the state. RLA has an average of 570 students with 42 staff members. RLA's demographics consist of the following: 44% Socially disadvantaged, 45% English Language Learners, 5% Special Ed and 1% Homeless Youth.

Goal 1 focuses on student achievement with focus on actions and services, goal 2 focuses on equitable learning environments, and goal 3 focuses on student engagement through school and community partnerships.

Mission and Goals Include:

- That students attend a safe and clean school
- That students acquire knowledge and bilingual skills
- That students receive rigorous instruction in every classroom
- To increase student engagement and student supports

The LCAP will be presented for approval at the next board meeting in June.

VIII. Information Possible Action Items

A. Approved the RLA Board Meeting Calendar for 2021-2022

1st motion: Angie Timpone 2nd: Liza Cotton

Yays: 4 Absent:Guzman

B. Approved the Expanded Learning Opportunities Plan for RLA, presented above

1st motion: Liza Cotton 2nd: Angie Timpone

Yays: 4 Absent:Guzman

Items C and D were approved in one motion.

C. Approved the Interventionist Job Description as a temporary grant based position

If a current RLA teacher takes this position then the vacancy would be filled by a teacher on a temporary contract.

D. Approved the Math Instructional support job description as a temporary grant based position

1st motion: Liza Cotton 2nd: Angie Timpone

Yays: 4 Absent: Guzman

IX. Certificated Personnel

A. None to Report

X. Classified Personnel

A. None to Report

XI. There was no closed session

XII. Adjournment the board adjourned the meeting at 6:57 pm

A. Vote to Adjourn

1st motion: Angie Timpone

2nd: Liza Cotton

Yays: 4 Absent: Guzman