

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the RLA Board

Due to COVID-19, meeting held via Zoom, for the public and board members
Wednesday, December 15, 2021 at 5:30pm

Present: Mario Castrejon, Robert Perez, Reina Negrete and Michelle Guzman (virtual).

Absent: Ricardo Jimenez

Present Non Voting: Vanessa Rojas and Maria Rocha

I. Call to Order at 5:31pm

A. Flag Salute

B. Approval of the Agenda

1st motion: Reina Negrete

2nd: Mario Castrejon

Ayes: 4

Absent: Ricardo Jimenez

II. Public Comments

NONE

III. Student Recognition

A. Elementary Spelling Bee Regional Championship-Stanislaus County Office of Education-November 30, 2021

Silver Medal Recipients:

Noeli Jimenez and Alejandro Osmundson

B. Junior High Spelling Bee Regional Championship-Stanislaus County Office of Education, December 7 and 8, 2021

Silver Medal Recipient: Yseli Plascencia

Gold Medal Recipient: Adilene Murguia

Students Adilene Murguia and Alejandro Osmundson attended the recognition in person and were presented with certificates of appreciation. The RLA Advisory Board thanked them for their great effort and expressed how proud they were of them.

IV. Board Members Reports

Mr. Rob Perez reported that it's been a busy several weeks for him working on the budget as well as finalizing auditing.

Mrs. Reina Lopez-Negrete reported that she will be attending the Science Olympiad planning meeting with Ms. Aguilar and is excited to see Science Olympiad start back up.

Mrs. Michelle Guzman brought up the possibility of getting a date scheduled for the joint meeting request by the RUSD board. Mrs. Rojas responded that the date has already been calendared for March 22, 2022 and hopefully that date works for everyone.

V. Director's Report --Vanessa Rojas

A. Professional Development and Training

1. Phonics and Phonemic Awareness to Support Literacy Instruction with Ms. Lucia Rocha on December 8, 2021
2. State and Federal Program Network and LCAP Professional Learning Network, V. Rojas, November 12, 2021
3. CDE LCAP Annual Update Webinar, November 9, 2021

B. Student and School Events

1. Elementary Spelling Bee, Congratulations to Noeli Jimenez and Alejandro Osmundson for proudly representing RLA in the regional spelling bee championship
2. Middle School Spelling Bee, Congratulations to Ysceli Plascencia and Adilene Murguia
3. Riverbank Parade- Thank you to the Parent Teacher Organization along with RLA Staff and Students that participated in the Riverbank Parade on Saturday, November 27, 2021
4. CAFE Parent and Paraeducator Virtual Institute, November 4, 2021
5. Red Ribbon Week Activities and Events, October 25-29-Anti Drug Assembly. A special shout out to the parent volunteers that made our Red Ribbon Week events possible; Mr. Spears with the Special Unit of San Jose Police Department, Mr. Josh Johnson with the Stockton Probation Department, Stanislaus Consolidated Fire, Officer Tom Olson with the California Highway Patrol and our own PHAST JV Club (Protecting Health and Slamming Tobacco) and Advisors Mrs. Aguilar and Mrs. Hernandez
6. Anti-Drug BMX Assembly
7. Congratulations to the second grade student in Mrs. A Vigil's class for getting 2nd place in the Drug Free, Looks Like Me poster contest by SCOE. He won a \$75.00 gift card in the elementary school division.

C. RLA Parent Meetings

1. ELAC Parent Coffee, December 16, 2021-Presenter Mr. Jorge Fernandez will speak on the adverse effects of trauma from childhood.
2. PTO Meetings-November 17, 2021 and December 15, 2021 via zoom
3. Parent Conferences were held November 16 through 19, 2021

D. Upcoming Meetings and Events

- Winter Break/No Classes December 20, 2021 through January 9, 2022
- Regular Meeting of the RLA Board, January 19, 2022 at 5:30pm
- Joint Study Meeting RUSD Board and RLA Advisory Board, March 22, 2022

Mrs. Michelle Guzman- Thanked Mrs. Rojas for the report and especially thanked all the organizations who volunteered their time to present for Red Ribbon Week.

VI. Consent Items--Approved Items A-D

- A. Consider Adoption of the Warrants of November 2021
- B. Consider Adoption of the Warrants of October 2021
- C. Consider Adoption of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the RLA Board from November 17, 2021
- D. Consider Adoption of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the RLA Board Meeting from October 20, 2021

1st motion: Rob Perez

2nd: Reina Lopez-Negrete

Ayes: 4
Absent: Ricardo Jimenez

VII. Presentations

A. Certificated Management Salary Schedules and Classified Confidential

Mrs. Rojas shared a presentation showing a salary comparison to some of the RLA positions, particularly for the Assistant Principal, Administrative Assistant (Classified Confidential) and Director. Mrs. Rojas shared wanting to consider modifying the salary structure to better reflect the duties and responsibilities since there have been changes since RLA originally first opened. There was additional discussion but the members of the board agreed that this was worth looking into. Mrs. Michelle Guzman commented that she would like to see RLA staff make more money than RUSD but understands that we need to stay mindful of the RLA budget. The board was in agreement to look into these salaries to get them better aligned to RUSD salaries and for Mrs. Rojas to report on the results of the findings.

VIII. Information Discussion Items

A. Parent Guidelines for Athletic Events

Mrs. Rojas presented a document titled "Riverbank Athletic Program Code of Conduct", at this time this is for review and information only and will be brought back for approval from this board. Some of the board members suggested that this be a document that requires a parent signature especially before students are placed on an actual team so that everyone is aware of the expectations of parents.

B. RLA Safety Plan for 2021-2022

Mrs. Rocha presented the safety plan for 2021-2022. She informed the board that RLA is ALICE trained (alert, lockdown, inform, counter, evacuate) but we are looking at getting the newer staff trained. RLA has a multi-tiered system of supports. Tier 1 is universal support and for all students. Tier 2 support focuses on a targeted group of students and Tier 3 is more intensive and focused on a very small group of kids. We are happy to announce that Jessica Macias, RLA's Counselor is on campus now and is providing support to our Tier 2 students and pushing into the classroom.

IX. Information Possible Action Items

A. Consider Approval of Resolution 21-22-05 Authorizing Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions Pursuant to AB 361 and Government Code section 54953. The board agrees to continue through the next month considering the anticipated increase in Covid cases.

1st motion: Reina Lopez-Negrete

2nd: Mario Castrejon

Ayes: 4

Absent: Ricardo Jimenez

B. Consider Approval of RLA Safety Plan 2021-2022

1st motion: Reina Lopez-Negrete

2nd: Maria Castrejon

Ayes: 4

Absent: Ricardo Jimenez

C. Consider Approval of the English Learner Reclassification Criteria for RLA

1st motion: Mario Castrejon 2nd: Reina Lopez-Negrete

Ayes: 4

Absent: Ricardo Jimenez

D. Consider Approval of English Learner Software-Ellevation

1st motion: Reina Lopez-Negrete 2nd: Rob Perez

Ayes: 4

Absent: Ricardo Jimenez

X. Certificated Personnel

A. None to report

XI. Classified Personnel–Approved both recommendations for Boys Basketball -Fall 2021

A. Raymond Baca (Returning Lead Coach with a new sport)

B. Diana Moya (Returning Assistant Coach with a new sport)

1st motion: Reina Lopez-Negrete 2nd: Maria Castrejon

Ayes: 4

Absent: Ricardo Jimenez

XII. Closed Session

A. Conference with Legal Counsel/Litigation (Government Code 54956.9 (b)--RLA Charter

B. Conference with Legal Counsel/Litigation (Government Code 54956.9 (b)--RLA Safety Plan

The board moved into closed session at 6:43pm with the following members present: Mario Castrejon, Rob Perez, Reina Lopez-Negrete and Michelle Guzman (virtual).

XIII. Adjournment

Vote to Adjourn –Out of closed session at 6:53 with no reportable action.

Meeting adjourned at 6:53

1st motion by: Mrs. Reina Lopez-Negrete

2nd: Mr. Mario Castrejón

Ayes: 4 votes

Absent: Mr. Ricardo Jiménez