

## **Minutes of the RLA Regular Board Meeting**

### **Due to COVID-19 meeting held via Zoom**

Board Members met in Person at the RUSD Board Room

**July 28, 2021 at 6:30pm**

#### **Present:**

Mario Castrejon

Michelle Guzman

Reina Negrete

Rob Perez

#### **Present: Non Voting**

Vanessa Rojas

**Absent:** Ricardo Jimenez

#### **I. Call to Order|Flag Salute**

Meeting was called to order at 6:50pm

No changes or additions were made to the agenda.

1st motion:Reina Negrete 2nd: Mario Castrejon

Yays:4

Absent: R. Jimenez

#### **II. Public Comments**

No public comments

#### **III. Board Member Reports**

Reina Negrete-I am still having conversations with others regarding sports but everything at this time is mostly tentative, especially with the continued changes with Covid regulations. But it's good that conversations are taking place.

Michelle Guzman- I'm sure things are a bit tough to start and get back into the swing of things for this school year. I wanted to mention that the Director's evaluation didn't get completed last year, this is something that is typically led by the RLA Board President so we'll need to get it done this year.

#### **IV. Director's Report**

A. RLA's Summer Learning Academy --June 2 through June 30, 2021

B. School Year Planning and Start Up

C. Professional Development and Training

1. School Finance Conference, July 15, 2021

2. Charter School Reforms in the Covid-19 Era, podcast by Lozano Smith

3. RUSD Leadership Retreat, June 20-21, 2021

D. Upcoming Meetings and Event

**V. Consent Items**

A. Approved All Items below:

- a. Warrants of June 2021
- b. Minutes of the Special Meeting of the RLA Board-May 13, 2021
- c. Minutes of the Organizational Meeting of the RLA Board, May 19, 2021
- d. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the RLA Board, June 9, 2021
- e. Minutes of the Special Meeting of the RLA Board, June 24, 2021
- f. Minutes of the Special Meeting of the RLA Board, 20211

1st motion: Reina Negrete 2nd: Rob Perez

Yays:4

Absent: R. Jimenez

**VI. Presentations**

**A. RLA 2021-2022 School Year- In Person Learning and RLA Independent Study Program**

- Traditional in person and offering independent study program for those who choose not to come in person. In person is the ideal for all students but long term independent study will be offered to those who are medically fragile. However, the long term independent study is definitely not ideal for a dual immersion program but as a charter school we need to offer something.
- For those attending in person, students and staff will need to wear face coverings. Masks are not required outside. We won't be doing temperature checks but we do have to monitor symptoms.
- It's important to note that it will not be like the virtual day we had last year.
- If a student is symptomatic then we will have the ability to test at school but there will be a notification to parents. Our LVN will be able to administer the tests or students can quarantine if testing is declined.

**VII. Information Discussion Items**

A. California State Retirement Systems, RUSD and RLA Report

\_\_\_\_\_The State reported that RLA is it's own employer so salary schedules can continue.

B. Assistant Principal Student Services

The position is open but this time of year would be hard to find someone. The board will consider revising the salary schedule to remain competitive. The district representative, Rob Perez, suggested that Mrs. Rojas rely on the support from the Specialized Staff at the District Office.

**VIII. Information Possible Action Items**

A. Approved the RLA Independent Study Program for 2021-2022 as presented above

1st motion: Reina Negrete 2nd: Rob Perez

Yays:4

Absent: R. Jimenez

B. Consider Approval of Revised RLA Salary Schedule 2021-2022

Aligning titles to the petition, no change to numbers. Mrs. Guzman asked when the RLA budget can be looked at to align with the RLA salaries to match those of RUSD.

Mr. Perez-Sometime in September, this could be an item discussed during negotiations in a closed session.

Mrs. Guzman-Yes, let's be sure to discuss at that time.

1st motion: Mario Castrejon 2nd: Reina Negrete

Yays:4

Absent: R. Jimenez

**IX. Certificated Personnel**

A. Interim Assistant Principal-Mrs. Maria Rocha

Mrs. Rocha was thanked for providing support to Mrs. Rojas when Rojas was first hired as the Administrator. Mrs. Rocha has been to the go to position for Curriculum and Instruction and she is always willing to step up in whichever manner she is needed. She has taken on multiple leadership roles.

Mrs. Rocha--I am a founding member of RLA and I am hear to support RLA in any way that I can.

1st motion: Reina Negrete 2nd: Rob Perez

Yays:4

Absent: R. Jimenez

**X. Classified Personnel**

**None to Report**

**XI. Closed Session**

**A. Conference with Legal Counsel/Potential Litigation (Government Code 54956.9(b)  
RLA Employees-RLA Director --The board moved into closed session at 7:39pm**

**XII. Adjournment**

**A. Vote to Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at \_\_\_\_\_ with no reportable action

1st motion: Reina Negrete 2nd: Rob Perez

Yays:4

Absent: R. Jimenez

