

**RANCHO SANTIAGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT (RSCCD)
SANTA ANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (SAUSD)**

JOINT SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

**RSCCD Board of Trustees
SAUSD Board of Education**

Monday, October 16, 2017

MINUTES

1.0 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Mr. John Hanna, RSCCD Board President. Other RSCCD board members present were Ms. Claudia Alvarez, Ms. Arianna Barrios, Mr. Zeke Hernandez, and Mr. Larry Labrado. Ms. Nelida Mendoza and Mr. Phillip Yarbrough arrived at the time noted. SAUSD board members present were Dr. Alfonso Alvarez, Ms. Valerie Amezcua, Ms. Susie Lopez-Guerra, Mr. John Palacio, and Dr. Rigo Rodriguez. Ms. Cecilia “Ceci” Iglesias arrived at the time noted.

RSCCD administrators present during the joint special meeting were Mr. Enrique Perez, Dr. Raúl Rodríguez, and Dr. Linda Rose. SAUSD administrators present during the joint special meeting were Dr. Edmond Heatley, Dr. Mayra Helguera, Dr. Alfonso Jimenez, Dr. Sonia Llamas, Dr. Susie Lopez-Guerra, Mr. Mark McKinney, Dr. Stefanie P. Phillips, Mr. Manoj Roychowdhury, and Mr. Orin Williams. Ms. Anita Lucarelli, RSCCD, was present as record keeper.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dr. Alfonso Jimenez, Assistant Superintendent, Santa Ana Unified School District.

1.3 Welcome and Introductions

RSCCD and SAUSD board members/administrators introduced themselves.

Ms. Mendoza and Mr. Yarbrough arrived at the end of introductions; therefore, Mr. Hanna provided another opportunity for them to introduce themselves after Item 1.4 (Public Comments).

1.4 Public Comment

Mr. Andrew Do, Orange County Supervisor, First District, spoke highly of the RSCCD and SAUSD community. He indicated that he served the same community that RSCCD and SAUSD. Mr. Do stated that he plans to have a representative from his office attend future RSCCD and SAUSD board meetings.

Mr. Ivan Enriquez spoke regarding increased opportunities for RSCCD/SAUSD students. Mr. Hanna asked that current programs be shared with Mr. Enriquez.

Mr. Claudio Gallegos, a representative from Congressman Luis Correa's office, commended the RSCCD and SAUSD board for holding a joint meeting and asked that Congressman Correa be kept informed of any legislative issues the districts may have.

Ms. Beatrice Mendoza spoke regarding remedial courses offered by the colleges, preparing high school students for placements tests, and asked the board to review Assembly Bill 705, Student Success Act of 2012: matriculation: assessment.

NOTE: There are additional public comments before Item 2.0 (Informational Items and Oral Reports).

At this time, Mr. Hanna asked Ms. Mendoza and Mr. Yarbrough to introduce themselves.

1.3 Welcome and Introductions

Ms. Mendoza and Mr. Yarbrough introduced themselves.

Board members commended RSCCD and SAUSD board members/staff for working together so well.

In reference to the 70-year anniversary of Mendez, et al v. Westminster School District of Orange County, et al, Ms. Barrios expressed appreciation for how far both districts have come with serving a diverse population of students.

RSCCD and SAUSD board members shared the following items that they would like both boards to address jointly:

- Prepare SAUSD students to attend RSCCD colleges;
- Align RSCCD and SAUSD in working together;
- Work on having up-to-date facilities for career technical education;
- Collaboration with County;
- Work to increase opportunities for students with diverse backgrounds;
- Deadlines on action items from the joint board meeting;
- Partner with other agencies for career technical programs such as apprenticeship for building/trades industry and a culinary arts program;
- Advocacy of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) students;

1.3 Welcome and Introductions (cont.)

RSCCD and SAUSD board members shared the following items that they would like both boards to address jointly (cont.):

- Increase enrollment of Middle College High School and Vietnamese students; and
- Expand College Now program to other districts;
- Maintain security on all campuses.

NOTE: Ms. Iglesias added an additional item during discussion of Item 2.0 (Informational and Oral Reports).

At this time, Mr. Hanna recognized Mr. Juan Esqueda, Student President Santa Ana College, and Congressman Luis Correa.

1.4 Public Comment (contd.)

Mr. Esqueda introduced himself and indicated he was a graduate of SAUSD (Saddleback High School).

Mr. Luis Correa, Congressman, California's 46th Congressional District, commended RSCCD and SAUSD for the work they are participating in together and offered his support.

2.0 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS AND ORAL REPORTS

Dr. Rodríguez provided a presentation on the goals for the meeting and an update on SAC (RSCCD)/SAUSD Partnership projects, which included the history, structure and purpose of the Santa Ana Partnership.

Ms. Iglesias arrived during Dr. Rodríguez' presentation.

Dr. Rose gave a presentation on the Adelante program and its outcomes, and the students served by the Santa Ana Promise.

Mr. Hanna asked Ms. Iglesias to introduce herself and share items that she would like both boards to address jointly. Ms. Iglesias shared that she would like both boards to address online learning for parents and students.

Dr. Phillips provided a presentation on Middle College High School; Early College High School; Dual Enrollment Pathways; and future certifications, adult education, and professional development items. Board members received clarification on items related to the presentations from Dr. Rodríguez, Dr. Rose, and Dr. Phillips.

3.0 FUTURE JOINT BOARD MEETINGS

Mr. Hanna suggested at the beginning of the meeting that RSCCD and SAUSD board meet bi-annually.

4.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Hanna declared the meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Raúl Rodríguez, Ph.D.
Chancellor

Approved: _____
Clerk of the Board

Minutes approved: April 17, 2018