

**RIDGECREST CHARTER SCHOOL
GOVERNING BOARD**

Special Meeting
Wednesday, January 27, 2010
Time 6:30 pm
325 South Downs Street, Ridgecrest, CA 93555

I. AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

	Present	Absent
Rick Smith, <i>President</i>	_____	_____
Craig Bradley, <i>Vice-President</i>	_____	_____
Jerry Perez, <i>Treasurer-Secretary</i>	_____	_____
Debby Kurti, <i>Member</i>	_____	_____
Robert Pritchard, <i>Member</i>	_____	_____

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: _____

D. FLAG SALUTE

E. MOMENT OF SILENCE

II. COMMUNICATIONS

A. PUBLIC COMMENT

Non-agenda items: no individual presentation shall be for more than three (3) minutes and the total time for this purpose shall not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. Ordinarily, Board members will not respond to presentations and no action can be taken. However, the Board may give direction to staff following a presentation.

Oral Communications was opened at _____ and closed at _____.

III. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION/DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

A. ADMINISTRATION

- 1. Amendment to the RCS Bylaws:
Section Two Board of Trustees Item C II**

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: _____

2. RCS Governing Board PTO Support Plan

Motion: _____ Second: _____ Vote: _____

IV. CLOSED SESSION

The meeting will now convene to closed session to discuss the following matters pursuant with Brown Act Section 54957.

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT

1. Pupil Personnel

Closed session was entered into at _____ and concluded at _____.

V. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION

The meeting was reconvened to Open Session at _____.

Report out of Closed Session:

VI. FUTURE MEETINGS

1. February 18, 2010
2. March 18, 2010
3. April 22, 2010

VII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Per Diem Rate
2. Streaming Board Meetings
3. Student Representative to the Board

VIII. CLOSING BOARD COMMENTS

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at _____.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and upon request, the School may furnish reasonable auxiliary aids and services to qualified individuals with disabilities. Individuals who require appropriate alternative modifications of the agenda in order to participate in Board meetings are invited to contact the Director's office. Per Brown Act 54954.3(a) at any special meeting the public has the right to address any item described in the agenda before or during consideration of that item.

Subject:

Amendment to the RCS Bylaws
Section II Board of Trustees Item C 2.2

Action Item

Consent Agenda

First Read

Information

Presentation

Public Hearing

Roll Call Vote Required

Background:

While functioning within of their regular responsibilities and general oversight, the RCS Board of Trustees commonly reviews, develops, and amends all school bylaws, policies, and work process. In 2007 the Board completed amendments to RCS bylaws in multiple instances to reflect the changing needs of RCS and insure the stable operation of its educational environment. As with any organization it is difficult to foresee all instances that may arise in regards to the direction and intent of these bylaws. Often Amendments are made to bylaws and polices to clearly reflect the Board of Trustees intent at their inception.

Proposed Action:

Amend Section II, Item C-2.2 to include the descriptions "common law, domestic partner, or any person or persons of common personal financial interests."

Include a new section as item C-3 that reads "Any presiding trustee that becomes or endeavors to become an interested person, be it intentional or otherwise, is in violation of RCS Bylaws Section II, item C-2, Eligibility, and must resign their post to remedy the conflict of interest. If resignation does not occur in a timely fashion the Board may act apparently under Section II, item D of the RCS Bylaws.

RESOLUTION 2010-002

**AUTHORIZING THE GOVERNING BOARD PRESIDENT TO SIGN INTO EFFECT AN
AMENDMENT TO THE RIDGECREST CHARTER SCHOOL BYLAWS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Board Members of the **Ridgecrest Charter School**, The Amendment of the Ridgecrest Charter School Bylaws, Section II, Item C-2.2 be amended; to include the descriptions "common law, domestic partner, or any person or persons of common personal financial interests."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the incorporation of an additional item within Section II to be known as Item C-3, that shall read "Any Presiding Trustee that becomes or endeavors to become, an interested person, be it intentional or otherwise, is in violation of Ridgecrest Charter School Bylaws Section II, item C-2: Eligibility, and must resign their post to remedy the conflict of interest. If resignation does not occur in a timely fashion the Board may act appropriately under Section II, item D of the RCS Bylaws.

This **RESOLUTION** becomes effective on date of adoption until revoked or superseded.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following called vote of the Governing Board of Ridgecrest Charter School this the 27th Day of January, 2010

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Richard I. Smith
President, Governing Board,
Ridgecrest Charter School, Kern County
State of California

ATTEST:

Gayle J. Pietrangelo
Clerk, RCS Governing Board

Subject:

RCS Governing Board PTO Support Plan

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Background:

As Ridgecrest Charter School continues to prosper and grow so do the needs. This year in particular the PTO has struggled with parental support. Based on conversations with the WASC visiting committee, staff members, community members and PTO members, the RCS Governing Board has decided to take a more active role in the following school support areas:

The Governing Board will provide support for activities and help with acquiring funding for the many events historically supported by the great work of the parents within the PTO.

A Board Member will be assigned to assist and facilitate with the updating of the PTO Bylaws.

A Board Member will provide oversight and assistance with the PTO financial reports, and reporting to the Governing Board on a monthly basis. The Member will work cooperatively with the PTO President and Treasurer to insure that the RCS Board has the information to fulfill their fiduciary responsibilities in regards to the finances of the School. This member is there to provide assistance to the PTO and report to the Governing Board.

A Board Member will be a voting member within the PTO.

The Board Member will also provide ongoing assistance to help with family recruitment and provide guidance and support to the members so they can serve the needs of the students and their families.

Proposed Action: That the Governing Board approve this action.