Richard City Special School District

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2026 @ 4:00 PM

Regular Meeting

In attendance: Jacque Howard, Cherie Helton, John Olton, Sharon Newcom, Reggie Culpepper, and Jennifer Olton

Absent: None

Moment of Silence

1. **Meeting called to order:** Chairman Jacque Howard @4:00 PM
2. **Reading of the May 19, 2026 minutes. (Approval/Disapproval):** Chairman Jacque Howard made the motion to approve the May 19, 2026 minutes, John Olton 2nd the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Standard Business:**

A. Principals Report: Reggie Culpepper

May 26 was the last day of school

June 1 started the summer learning camp

B. Financial Report: Jennifer Olton

All financials are current and up to date. (A copy of financial are always given to the board members for review).

Jennifer Olton included a copy of one of the CD renewals showing 3.45% interest rate.

4. **Old Business**: No old business for June

5. New Business:

A. Tenure...(Approval/Disapproval): Reggie Culpepper is up for Tenure. Sharon Newcom explained that it is as an educator, not a principal. And he has met all of the requirements. Jacque Howard made a motion to approve, Cherie Helton 2nd. Motion carried.

B. Budget Amendments...(Approval/Disapproval) Jennifer Olton explained the Activity amendment was due to additional purchases that were offset by income. And that the General amendment was to transfer money from the unassigned fund balance to cover SY26 budget overages. These overages were expected based on the original SY26 budget vote in June 2025. Jacque Howard mad a motion to approve, Cherie Helton 2nd. Motion carried.

C. State/Local Policy Updates...(Approval/Disapproval)

A. Sharon Newcom presented 32 updated board policies for this month's approval. Jacque Howard made a motion to approve, John Olton 2nd. Motion carried.

B. Sharon Newcom presented to the board the Use of Wireless Communication Devices policy (6.312) asking to amend that devices can be used by students during non-instructional time. Board agreed and it will be presented next month.

C. Sharon Newcom presented to the board the school board meeting policy (1.400) Board members discussed and decided that the next board meeting date will be determined at the end of each meeting. It will be presented next month for approval.

D. SY27 Budget...(Approval/Disapproval): Jennifer Olton presented the budget for SY27. It shows a projected profit of $56,000. She explained that it will change slightly based on new hires/retirees, and will be resubmitted in August meeting for amendment vote. Jacque Howard made a motion to approve, Cherie Helton 2nd. Motion carried.

6. Trainings/Workshops/Field Trips/Fundraisers(Approval/Disapproval) …

Trainings:

- No Trainings for June/July

Field Trips:

- No Field trips for June/July

Fund Raisers:

- No fundraisers for June/July

Events:

- No events for June/July

7. Next Meeting will be held Tuesday July 23, 2026 @ 4:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned @ 4:11 PM

Public Comment: (Can only comment about items on Agenda and sign a request to comment).

Jacque Howard

Chairman, Jacque Howard

Sharon Newcom

Director, Sharon Newcom

Director, Sharon Newcom, Approved:

No additional items for June. No Signature Needed.

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