

**JURUPA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
AGENDA**

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Jurupa Unified School District is to create for our students a dynamic learning environment that is safe, healthy, and based on mutual respect, cooperation, and support among students, staff, parents, and the broader community. Staff and parents serve as educators and positive role models for all students by helping them develop a sense of responsibility, character, creativity and the skills to become successful, productive citizens of our democracy.

BOARD OF EDUCATION Sam Knight, President Carolyn Adams, Clerk Mary Burns John Chavez Ray Teagarden
SUPERINTENDENT Benita B. Roberts

**NOTICE AND AGENDA FOR SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
FOR A CLOSED SESSION**

FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2001

EDUCATION CENTER BOARD ROOM, 4850 Pedley Road, Riverside, CA 8:30 a.m.

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION 8:00 A.M.

Call to Order in Public Session

(President Knight)

Roll Call: President Knight, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Burns, Mr. Teagarden, Mr. Chavez

HEARING SESSION 8:00 A.M.

PUBLIC VERBAL COMMENTS

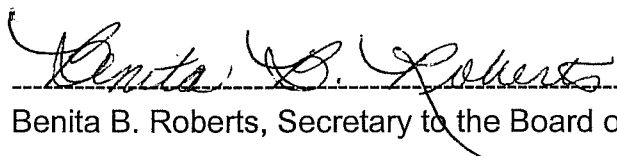
This communication opportunity is included on the agenda to allow members of the public to comment on matters listed on the Agenda for Closed Session. California law states that there shall be no action on items not shown on the published Board agenda.

CLOSED SESSION 8:00 A.M.

The Board will adjourn to Closed Session in the Board Conference Room pursuant to Government/Education Codes listed below:

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the Board will be discussing personnel matters to include public employee selection: Superintendent.

ADJOURNMENT



Benita B. Roberts, Secretary to the Board of Education

NOTICE POSTED AND MAILED: May 29, 2001



DELTA ALLIANCE CORPS

Charles J. Gray - Director of Bands

May 20, 2001

Benita Roberts
Jurupa Unified School District

Dear Mrs. Roberts:

It is with regret that we learned of Dr. Ron Needham's retirement. Dr. Needham has always been a champion for Rubidoux High School, it's staff, and most important, it's students. We wish Dr. Needham well and hope he has a happy and healthy retirement.

Dr. Needham's replacement as Principal of Rubidoux High School is of great concern to us. As parents we have a vested interest into the leadership which will govern our children. With so many dangerous distractions to education we need a strong administrator who has demonstrated great character, leadership, education, planning, and management. A principal who can be a mother, father, counselor, priest, disciplinarian, disciple, and prophet to both the students and the staff.

It is our opinion that the best person to lead Rubidoux High School into this new century is Mr. Ben Bunz. Mr. Bunz has demonstrated all the characteristics that make a great leader. He has abundant enthusiasm for Rubidoux High School and it's students. He already has an established rapport with all of the departments and an understanding of the ethnic diversity, which aids in making Rubidoux High School exceptional. He also brings great experience with him from his past years at Rubidoux and Jurupa Valley High Schools.

With the many challenges ahead we wholeheartedly endorse and support Mr. Ben Bunz. Thank you in advance for your time consideration.

Sincerely,

The Parents of the Rubidoux High School Band and Color Guard Booster Club.

cc: John Chavez
Mary Burns
Sam Knight
Carolyn Adams
Ray Teagarden
Kent Campbell
Dr. Ron Needham
Ben Bunz

"The Pride of West Riverside"

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SUSAN J. RAINEY, Ed.D.
DISTRICT
SUPERINTENDENT

May 14, 2001

Ms. Benita Roberts
Superintendent
Jurupa Unified School District
4850 Pedley Road
Riverside, California 92509

Dear Benita:

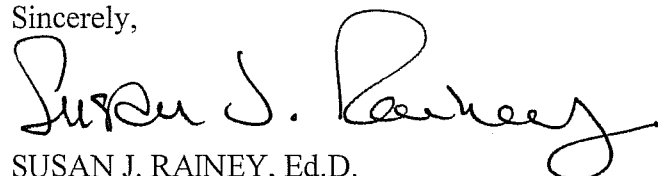
Dr. Nicolas Ferguson has asked me to write a letter of reference for him as he is intending to apply for the superintendency in Jurupa upon your retirement. As you know, he previously worked in your district as assistant superintendent for seven years, 1979-1986.

Nick has worked in the Riverside Unified School District for approximately one year. When the previous Chief Business Officer resigned last year, I actively recruited Nick to come to Riverside Unified for several reasons. Specifically, I was very aware of his statewide reputation in the areas of business and facilities; he was an administrator renowned for his honesty and integrity in even the most difficult of situations; and, his experience as a successful superintendent in two districts provided him keen insight into the "larger" picture of the issues and challenges I was facing as superintendent in a large, urban district.

Nick has provided excellent direction this last year. He quickly developed rapport with site principals who were his strongest supporters when he had to lead first the Cabinet and then the District as a whole through a \$3 million budget reduction process. His leadership with the Finance Subcommittee of the Board of Education has resulted in increased trust by Board members of the District's administrative fiscal practices. Finally, Nick's resumé provides an excellent summary of his significant involvement at both the local and state levels. It is, indeed, an impressive list of accomplishments.

If Dr. Ferguson is the successful candidate for this superintendency, it will be our loss as a district. However, for the reasons I have stated above (and many more on a personal/professional level), I am supportive of Nick Ferguson's application. Please give him your strongest consideration.

Sincerely,



SUSAN J. RAINEY, Ed.D.
District Superintendent

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