

**RIALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Dr. John R. Kazalunas Education Center  
182 East Walnut Avenue  
Rialto, California

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**RIALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
AGENDA**

**June 8, 2022**

**Dr. John R. Kazalunas Education Center  
182 East Walnut Avenue  
Rialto, California**

**Board Members:**

**Edgar Montes, President  
Stephanie E. Lewis, Vice President  
Nancy G. O'Kelley, Clerk  
Joseph W. Martinez, Member  
Dina Walker, Member**

**Superintendent:**

**Cuauhtémoc Avila, Ed.D.**

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**Pages**

**A. OPENING**

Immediately following the Regular Board of Education Meeting of June 8, 2022.

**B. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**B.1. COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Any person wishing to speak on any item on the Agenda will be granted three minutes.

**C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**Moved** \_\_\_\_\_

**Seconded** \_\_\_\_\_

**Vote by Board Members to adopt the agenda:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Dina Walker, Member

\_\_\_\_\_ Joseph W. Martinez, Member

\_\_\_\_\_ Nancy G. O'Kelley, Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_ Stephanie E. Lewis, Vice-President

\_\_\_\_\_ Edgar Montes, President

**D. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

**D.1. RESOLUTION NO. 21-22-47 JUNETEENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY**

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**Moved** \_\_\_\_\_

**Seconded** \_\_\_\_\_

Adopt Resolution No. 21-22-47 designating June 19, 2022, and June 19 of each year thereafter, as a local holiday in honor of Juneteenth, until such time as it is designated a state mandated holiday by the Governor and/or State Legislature.

**Vote by Board Members:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Dina Walker, Member

\_\_\_\_\_ Joseph W. Martinez, Member

\_\_\_\_\_ Nancy G. O'Kelley, Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_ Stephanie E. Lewis, Vice-President

\_\_\_\_\_ Edgar Montes, President

**E. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved \_\_\_\_\_

Seconded \_\_\_\_\_

**Vote by Board Members to adjourn:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Dina Walker, Member

\_\_\_\_\_ Joseph W. Martinez, Member

\_\_\_\_\_ Nancy G. O'Kelley, Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_ Stephanie E. Lewis, Vice-President

\_\_\_\_\_ Edgar Montes, President

Time: \_\_\_\_\_



**TO:** Board of Education  
**FROM:** Cuauhtémoc Avila, Ed.D., Superintendent  
**ITEM:** **RESOLUTION NO. 21-22-47**  
**JUNETEENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY**

**RESOLUTION # 21-22-47**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
RIALTO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**JUNETEENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY**

**WHEREAS**, on June 19, 1865, Union soldiers, led by Major General Gordon Granger, arrived in Galveston, Texas, with news that the Civil War had ended and that the enslaved were free; and;

**WHEREAS**, African-Americans who had been slaves in the Southwest celebrated June 19, commonly known as “Juneteenth Independence Day”, as inspiration and encouragement for future generations; and;

**WHEREAS**, African-Americans from the Southwest have continued the tradition of observing Juneteenth Independence Day for over 150 years; and;

**WHEREAS**, on June 17, 2021, President Biden proclaimed June 19, as Juneteenth Day of Observance and called upon the people of the United States to acknowledge and celebrate the end of the Civil War and the emancipation of Black Americans, and commit together to eradicate systemic racism that still undermines our founding ideals and collective prosperity; and;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board recognizes Juneteenth, June 19, as:

1. An opportunity to recognize the impact, achievements, and contributions from Black staff, teachers, administrators, and students to the Rialto community at large; and
2. A day to honor and reflect on the significant role that African Americans have played in the history of the United States and how they have enriched society through their steadfast commitment to promoting unity and equality; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Rialto Unified School District will designate June 19, 2022, and June 19 of each year thereafter, as a local holiday in honor of Juneteenth, until such time as it is designated a state mandated holiday by the Governor and/or State Legislature.

**APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, by the Board of Education of the Rialto Unified School District of San Bernardino County by the following vote:

Edgar Montes \_\_\_\_\_  
Stephanie E. Lewis \_\_\_\_\_  
Nancy G. O’Kelley \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph W. Martinez \_\_\_\_\_  
Dina Walker \_\_\_\_\_

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Edgar Montes  
President, Board of Education

I, Cuauhtémoc Avila, Ed.D., Superintendent of the Rialto Unified School District of San Bernardino County, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the District’s Board of Education at a duly scheduled meeting thereof.

Dated: June 8, 2022

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Cuauhtémoc Avila, Ed.D  
Superintendent