

**West Contra Costa Unified School District  
Minutes of the Board of Education  
Governance Retreat  
Lovonya DeJean Middle School  
3400 Macdonald Avenue  
Richmond, CA 94805**

**January 7, 2012**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Charles Ramsey called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM.

**Board Members Present:** Madeline Kronenberg, Antonio Medrano, Elaine Merriweather, Charles Ramsey, Tony Thurmond

**Staff Present:** Sheri Gamba, Wendell Greer, Bruce Harter, Debbie Haynie, Ann Reinhausen,

**II. Opportunity for Public Comment on Agenda Items**

The following speakers addressed concerns for fiscal prudence and upcoming labor negotiations:  
Sandra Falk, Scott Brown, Robert Studdiford

The following speakers addressed the Board with an emphasis on support for math programs:  
Jason Freeman, David Rossi, Debora Morris, Ben Steinberg, Paul Gilbert-Snyder, Teresa Harnden, John Irminger,  
Todd Groves, Lynda Frank, Catherine Wanger

**III. Annual Organizational and Unity of Purpose Retreat**

Local consultant Tracey Webb led the Board members in a discussion of how to create a unity of purpose