

**BRISTOL WARREN REGIONAL
SPECIAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2009**

A special meeting of the Bristol Warren Regional School Committee was held on Monday, December 14, 2009, in the Oliver Administration Building at 151 State Street in Bristol, RI. The Chairperson, Paul Silva, called the meeting to order at approximately 6:15 PM.

Present: Paul Silva, Chair, Paul E. Brule, Vice-Chair, Marjorie J. McBride, Secretary, Denise R. Arsenault, John C. Bento, Diana B. Campbell, Karen A. Lynch and John P. Saviano; Edward P. Mara, Superintendent; Melinda L. Thies, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Curriculum, Assessment and Instruction; Jane F. Correia, Director of Administration and Finance; Mary N. Almeida, Director of Literacy and Title I; Mario Andrade and Pauline Silva

Absent: William M. O'Dell

EXECUTIVE SESSION - 6:16 PM

In accordance with Open Meeting Laws 42-46-5(a)(1)-(9), 2(b), Mr. Brule motioned to go into Executive Session at 6:16 PM for a grievance discussion. Mrs. McBride seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

RESUMPTION OF MEETING – 6:22 PM

**In Executive Session, the Committee discussed a grievance issue.
No action was taken during Executive Session.**

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation # S2009-68: PERSONNEL

A. APPOINTMENTS: That the School Committee confirm the recommendation of the Superintendent to appoint the following applicants to the positions of Elementary Principal, Accounting Clerk and Behavior Intervention Specialist as listed below:

1. Tara McAuliffe Elementary Principal - Rockwell

Effective: January 4, 2010, pending receipt of certification and satisfactory completion of pre-employment requirements

Reason: To fill a vacancy

(Retirement – K. Annotti)

Funding: Operational Budget

2. Kimberly A. Aguiar Accounting Clerk - Oliver

Effective: December 28, 2009

Reason: Reclassification

Funding: Operational Budget

3. Lisa Maduro-Perkins Behavior Intervention Specialist

Effective: January 4, 2010, pending satisfactory completion of pre-employment requirements

Reason: To fill a vacancy in accordance with grant funding

Funding: ARRA Funding

MOTION: Mrs. McBride motioned to approve; Mrs. Campbell seconded. The motion to approve passed by a vote of 8 to 0.

Mrs. Thies introduced Mrs. Tara McAuliffe, the newly appointed Principal of Rockwell School, and welcomed her to the District, saying Mrs. McAuliffe was the most impressive candidate with a strong connection to RIASP. Mrs. McAuliffe thanked the Committee and said she is looking forward to getting to know the Rockwell community. Dr. Andrade added that along with professional ethics, Mrs. McAuliffe possesses strong interpersonal skills and will be a great addition to our staff. Mrs. Almeida commented that the interview process was extensive; and although all the interviewed applicants were very qualified, the consensus of the entire interview team was that Mrs. McAuliffe would be the best fit for Rockwell.

On behalf of the School Committee, Mr. Silva welcomed Mrs. McAuliffe and wished her the best of luck. Mrs. Thies mentioned that she attends School Committee meetings.

Recommendation #S 2009-69: That the School Committee, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approve the resolution to:

1) forward a copy of the proposed amendment to the enabling legislation for the Regional District, approved June 17, 1991, to the town councils of both Warren and Bristol and ask for a Resolution from each in support of the proposed changes; and

2) that if each town council agrees with the proposed changes, the Committee will petition the general assembly to amend the Regional Agreement and shall seek acceptance and approval by a vote of the electors in the member towns.

Mr. Silva explained that this recommendation had been voted on before; the Future Enrollment and Facilities Task Force and some local politicians asked for it to come before the Committee again.

MOTION: Mr. Saviano motioned to approve; Mrs. Campbell seconded.

MOTION: At the request of Mr. Silva, Mr. Saviano motioned to add to the recommendation, correspondence be sent requesting that the School Committee be informed when the respective Town Councils take this up at their meetings so the Committee can be present to explain the rationale.

The motion to approve the recommendation with the addition passed by a vote of 6 to 2 with Mrs. McBride and Mr. Brule opposed.

ADJOURNMENT – 6:30 PM

There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. Arsenault, seconded by Mr. Brule, motioned to adjourn at 6:30 PM. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie J. McBride, Secretary

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