

**BRISTOL WARREN REGIONAL
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2015
Oliver Administration Building**

A special meeting of the Bristol Warren Regional School Committee was held on Saturday, September 5, 2015, at the Oliver Administration Building, 151 State Street, Bristol, RI.

Present: John Bento, Chairperson; Paul Silva, Vice-Chairperson; Karen Lynch, Secretary; Marjorie McBride, Treasurer; William O'Dell, John Saviano, Erin Schofield, Lynn Wainwright, Mario J. Andrade, Superintendent; Diane Sanna, Assistant Superintendent; Pauline Silva, Director of Finance and Administration; and Andrew Henneous, Esq.

Absent: Diana Campbell

Chairman Bento called the meeting to order at approximately 9:05 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Bento asked those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Pursuant to Open Meetings Laws 42-46-5(a)(2) for the following:

- 1. Legal Advice and Action: Warren litigation C.A. No. 14-1628**
- 2. Legal Advice and Action: Warren litigation C.A. No. 12-4653**

MOTION: At 9:07 a.m., Mrs. McBride made a motion to enter into Executive Session; seconded by Mrs. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: At 9:50 a.m. Mrs. McBride made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session; seconded by Mr. Silva. The motion passed unanimously.

OPEN SESSION

- 1. Discussion/Action: Warren litigation C.A. No. 14-1628**
- 2. Discussion/Action: Warren litigation C.A. No. 12-4653**

MOTION: Mrs. McBride made a motion to authorize Mr. Henneous to take whatever legal action is necessary in court to address the August 28, 2015 letter from the Town of Warren which stated that going forward the Town would withhold \$117,175 from the School Department; Mr. O'Dell seconded.

No discussion was held.

The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Mrs. Lynch made a motion to notify the Town of Warren that moving forward, interest will be charged, as set forth by the enabling legislation, each month the Town of Warren withholds the \$117,175 owed to the School Department beginning with the September 1st insufficient payment; seconded by Mr. Silva.

DISCUSSION: Mrs. Schofield stated that at this time she is not in favor of taking action related to interest charges until the case goes back to the judge.

The motion passed with a 5-2 vote; Mr. Saviano and Mrs. Schofield dissenting.

MOTION: Mrs. McBride made a motion to send a demand letter to the Town of Warren for interest charges accrued, as set forth by the enabling legislation, for the \$416,229 amount owed to the School Department in 2012; seconded by Mrs. Lynch.

No discussion was held.

The motion passed with a 4-3 vote; Mr. O'Dell, Mr. Saviano and Mrs. Schofield dissenting.

ADJOURNMENT – 10:07 A.M.

MOTION: There being no further business to discuss, Mrs. McBride motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 A.M.; seconded by Mrs. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Lynch, Secretary

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