

Warwick School Committee Minutes
Meeting of June 16, 2009
Open Session

The Warwick School Committee met in Open Session at the Administration Building on Tuesday, June 16, 2009 Chairman Friel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the following in attendance:

COMMITTEE

Christopher Friel, Chairperson
Lucille Mota-Costa, Vice Chair
Bethany Furtado, Clerk
Paul Cannistra
Patrick E. Maloney, Jr.

ADMINISTRATION

Peter P. Horoschak, Superintendent
Rosemary Healey, Esq., Director of Compliance & Human Resources
Robert T. Bushell, Director of Elementary Education
Richard D'Agostino, Director Special Services

The Chair announced the budget issue will be dealt with at an upcoming meeting. He said there are two items on this evening's agenda, the first is the certain positions under the budget and the second is the principal and the transfer of people. At this time we will go into Executive Session.

MOTION 2009-123: Moved by Mrs. Mota-Costa, seconded by Mr. Cannistra, to go into closed session for discussion and/or action regarding those items of business exempt from open meetings under General Laws of Rhode Island 42-46-5(a)(1) and (a)(2).

MOTION PASSES (5-0)

Christopher Friel - Aye Lucille Mota-Costa - Aye
Paul Cannistra - Aye Bethany Furtado - Aye
Patrick E. Maloney, Jr. - Aye

The minutes for the June 16, 2009 were recorded by a stenographer in the absence of the School Committee secretary. The following is the transcript recorded by the stenographer for the June 16, 2009 open session which was e-mailed and downloaded for this document and which were edited to record motions.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. The first item on
19 tonight, under New Business on tonight's agenda,
20 is a minor budgetary issue. As I mentioned at the
21 onset of the meeting, that the budget will be
22 dealt with in detail and in full next Tuesday, a
23 week from this evening, at Toll Gate High School.
24 This evening, due to the upcoming job fair, Human
25 Resources has asked that certain position
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1 additions be approved by the School Committee. We
2 have been provided with a list of positions that
3 the Superintendent recommended to be added. Some
4 of the positions -- unless there is an objection
5 from any member of the School Committee -- there
6 are certain positions that are based upon his
7 proposed amendment which includes the elimination
8 of the Family and Consumer Science Department.
9 I would recommend that we not act upon
10 those additions this evening due to the fact that

11 we have not yet acted upon the status of the
12 Family and Consumer Science. We can take that up
13 next Tuesday. That being said, what I will do,
14 then, is just read off a list in its entirety of
15 the positions that the Superintendent would
16 recommend be added, and the School Committee can
17 vote on those and not on any Consumer Science
18 related positions this evening. Does anybody have
19 a problem with that agenda?

MOTION 2009-124: Moved by Ms. Furtado, seconded
by Mr. Cannistra to approve a
21 Severe/Profound Teacher at Drum Rock; an ESL
22 Teacher at Toll Gate from point eight to one
23 hundred percent; a Reading Teacher with a
24 40 percent Title I and 10 percent Literacy; a
25 Resource Teacher at Aldrich; a Special
1 Kindergarten teacher at Drum Rock; a Special
2 Educator for the ALP at Pilgrim; a Special
3 Educator for the ALP at Pilgrim; and they included

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- 4 a Special Educator Transition Teacher for the ALP
 5 at Pilgrim; and, finally, a Special Kindergarten
 6 Teacher at Drum Rock be approved as new positions?
 7 Is there a motion to approve those positions?

MOTION PASSES 5-00

Christopher Friel - Aye Lucille Mota-Costa - Aye
 Paul Cannistra - Aye Bethany Furtado - Aye
 Patrick E. Maloney, Jr. - Aye

- 15 **THE CHAIRMAN:** That vote passes. The
 16 next item on the agenda is a Principal transfer.
 17 Dr. Horoschak.

- 18 **DR. HOROSCHAK:** Yes. At this time, I'm
 19 representing that Mr. Joseph Peltier be
 20 transferred from Principalship at Park School to
 21 the Principalship at Cedar Hill School effective
 22 at the end of the school year.

- 23 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Any discussion, questions,
 24 or comments from members of the School Committee
 25 regarding this transfer?

MOTION 2009-125: Moved by Mr. Cannistra, seconded
 by Ms. Mota-Costa, to

- 1 approve the recommendation of Dr. Horoschak with
 2 regard to the Principalship transfer that I have
 3 just outlined?

MOTION PASSES (5-0)

Christopher Friel - Aye Lucille Mota-Costa - Aye
 Paul Cannistra - Aye Bethany Furtado - Aye
 Patrick E. Maloney, Jr. - Aye

MORION 2009-126: Is there a motion that we close the
 13 meeting?

- 14 **MR. CANNISTRA:** So moved.

- 15 **THE CHAIRMAN:** All those in favor.

- 16 **MR. CANNISTRA:** Aye.

- 17 **MR. MALONEY:** Aye.

- 18 **MS. MOTA-COSTA:** Aye.

- 19 **MS. FURTADO:** Aye.

- 20 **THE CHAIRMAN:** Opposed? Meeting
 21 adjourned.

- 22 **(MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY)**

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Meeting Adjourned:

Bethany Furtado, Clerk

Betsey Snipes, Secretary

(Cynthia M. Spagnole, Court Reporter)