

Warwick School Committee Minutes
Meeting of September 7, 2011
Open Session

The Warwick School Committee met in Open Session at the Administration Building, on Wednesday, September 7, 2011. Chairperson Furtado called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. with the following in attendance:

COMMITTEE

Bethany A. Furtado, Chair
Patrick E. Maloney, Jr., Vice Chair
Eugene A. Nadeau, Clerk
Christopher E. Friel
M. Terri Medeiros

ADMINISTRATION

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

MOTION 2011-146: Moved by Mr. Friel, seconded by Mr. Nadeau, 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 (4-0)

Bethany A. Furtado – not present for vote Patrick E. Maloney, Jr. - Aye
Christopher E. Friel - Aye Eugene A. Nadeau - Aye
M. Terri Medeiros – Aye

Meeting reconvened at 7:25 p.m.

Ms. Healey said the tentative agreement with Council 94/WISE Local 357 has been presented, and to the best of my professional knowledge and judgment incorporates the agreement between the parties. Superintendent Horoschak recommended that the School Committee accept and ratify this tentative agreement and that we pass the information on to WISE for them to take appropriate action.

Mr. Friel commented he has been on the committee since 2004, and this agreement has been a long time coming. He acknowledged the efforts of all involved. He said there are positive financial benefits, as well as non-financial benefits, although the Committee did not get everything they sought. He said he supported the contract at this time.

MOTION 2011-147: Moved by Mr. Maloney, seconded by Ms. Medeiros to approve the Superintendent's recommendation.

MOTION PASSES (5-0)

Bethany A. Furtado – Aye Patrick E. Maloney, Jr. - Aye
Christopher E. Friel - Aye Eugene A. Nadeau - Aye
M. Terri Medeiros – Aye

Ms. Healey said the Union is scheduled September 11th to ratify the agreement, and until the members of the bargaining unit review and make their vote the document will not be accessible to the public. It will be provided after the bargaining unit votes.

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Approval of Special Education Supervisor Position – Dr. D’Agostino requested this position and said it would be paid for with Federal funds.

MOTION 2011-148: Moved by Mr. Friel, seconded by Mr. Nadeau, to approve the Special Education Supervisor Position.

MOTION PASSES (5-0)

Bethany A. Furtado – Aye Patrick E. Maloney, Jr. - Aye
Christopher E. Friel - Aye Eugene A. Nadeau - Aye
M. Terri Medeiros – Aye

MOTION 2011-149: Moved by Mr. Nadeau, seconded by Mr. Friel, to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION PASSES (5-0)

Bethany A. Furtado – Aye Patrick E. Maloney, Jr. - Aye
Christopher E. Friel - Aye Eugene A. Nadeau - Aye
M. Terri Medeiros – Aye

Meeting adjourned: 7:40 p.m.
Eugene A. Nadeau, Clerk