

# **CRANSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

## **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**JANUARY 5, 2015**

**William A. Briggs Building (Reed Conference Room)**

**845 Park Avenue, Cranston, RI 02910**

**PUBLIC SESSION 5:30 P.M.**

## **MINUTES**

**The Cranston School Committee was inaugurated and held its organizational meeting on the evening of January 5, 2015 in the Reed Conference Room in the William A. Briggs Building. Peter Nero, former Superintendent of Cranston Public Schools, administered the oath of office to the Cranston School Committee for 2015-2017.**

**The newly inaugurated members are as follows:**

**Trent Colford**

**Stephanie A. G. Culhane**

**Domenic F. Fusco. Jr.**

**Jeffrey Gale**

**Janice Ruggieri**

**Michael A. Traficante**

**Daniel Wall**

**Attorney Cascione stated – pursuant to the city of Cranston charter I hereby call this meeting of the Cranston School Committee to order for the purpose of electing a chairperson of the Cranston School Committee. The roll was called; all were present. Attorney Cascione stated – at this time nominations are in order for the position of**

**chairperson; do I have a nomination? Mrs. Culhane stated – I would like to nominate Janice Ruggieri for chair of the Cranston School Committee. This was seconded by Mr. Traficante**

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**There being no other nominations the roll was called:**

**Mr. Colford - Yes**

**Mrs. Culhane - Yes**

**Mr. Gale - Yes**

**Mrs. Ruggieri - Yes**

**Mr. Traficante - Yes**

**Mr. Fusco Yes**

**Mr. Wall - Yes**

**Mrs. Ruggieri was unanimously appointed to the position of Chairperson of the Cranston School Committee.**

**Chairperson Ruggieri asked - At this time are there any nominations for the position of Vice Chair? Mr. Traficante stated, I would like to nominate Stephanie A.G. Culhane for the position of Vice Chairperson.**

**This was seconded by Mr. Gale. There being no other nominations the roll was called:**

**Mr. Colford - No**

**Mrs. Culhane - Yes**

**Mr. Gale - Yes**

**Mrs. Ruggieri - Yes**

**Mr. Traficante - Yes**

**Mr. Fusco - Yes**

**Mr. Wall - Yes**

**Stephanie A. Culhane was appointed as Vice Chair of the Cranston School Committee.**

**Chairperson Ruggieri asked – are there any nominations for the Parks and Recreation committee? Mrs. Ruggieri stated – I would like to nominate Stephanie A. G. Culhane to be appointed to that committee. This was seconded by Mr. Gale. There being no other nominations the role was called:**

**Mr. Colford - Yes**

**Mrs. Culhane - Yes**

**Mr. Gale - Yes**

**Mrs. Ruggieri - Yes**

**Mr. Traficante - Yes**

**Mr. Fusco - Yes**

**Mr. Wall - Yes**

**Stephanie A. G. Culhane was unanimously reappointed as a member of the Parks and Recreation committee.**

**Chairperson Ruggieri asked – are there any nominations for the two seats on the School Buildings Committee? Mrs. Ruggieri stated – I would like to recommend that Mr. Traficante and Mr. Colford continue on this Committee with all the work they have been doing with the bonds. It was moved by Mr. Traficante; seconded by Mrs. Culhane.**

**There being no other nominations the role was called:**

**Mr. Colford - Yes**

**Mrs. Culhane - Yes**

**Mr. Gale - Yes**

**Mrs. Ruggieri - Yes**

**Mr. Traficante - Yes**

**Mr. Fusco - Yes**

**Mr. Wall - Yes**

**Michael A. Traficante and Trent Colford were unanimously appointed to the School Buildings Committee.**

**Mrs. Ruggieri stated that there are a few sub-committee appointments that need to be made. At this time I will send out an email as to what they are. There are a few that need to be covered as Mrs. McFarland, Ms. Iannazzi and myself were on them.**

**Also, we need to pick a night in January for a work session where we can discuss programming and policies. I am ready to present on music and I believe that middle school sports is ready as well. The Committee agreed on January 15, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. for a work session at the Briggs Building.**

**There being no further business to discuss a motion was made by Mr. Wall to adjourn the meeting at 6:03 p.m. This was seconded by Mrs. Culhane. All were in favor.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Stephanie A. G. Culhane**

**Vice Chairperson**