

NORTH PROVIDENCE SCHOOL COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

AUGUST 2, 2016

The North Providence School Committee met on Tuesday, August 2, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the North Providence School Department Administration Office. Members present were Chairman Marciano, Mr. Andreozzi, Mrs. Picard, Mr. Palmieri, Mr. Iannetta and Mr. DaSilva. Also present were Melinda Smith, Superintendent of Schools, Thomas Mellen, Principal of Ricci Middle School, Michael Cicerone, Local Union 920 President, Attorney Andrew Henneous, Attorney Charles Ruggerio, legal counsel for the School Committee, Attorney Edward Formisano, Attorney Gina DiCenso and Rebecca Forte, Stenographer. School Committee Member not in attendance was Mr. Cataldi. Appropriate disclosure was made by the Chair concerning compliance with R.I. General Laws 42-46-5(a)(1) indicating that any person to be discussed had been appropriately notified.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order. Motion by Mr. DaSilva and seconded by

Mr. Andreozzi.

II. OPEN SESSION

Charles Ruggerio, Esq. gave a brief overview of proceeding under Section 16-13-4 of General Laws of RI which is a Statement of cause for dismissal – Hearing – Appeals – Arbitration to either suspend or terminate a teacher. This hearing is an opportunity for both parties to provide the basis of statement of cause. The recommendation is to suspend the teacher without pay for the 2016-2017 school year with subsequent termination at the end of the school year.

Superintendent Smith asked the Committee to grant advice and consent to approve the Teacher Suspension/Termination as submitted. Motion by Mrs. Picard, seconded by Mr. DaSilva and carried by unanimous consent to accept the Superintendent's recommendation for teacher suspension/termination. The motion carried a vote of 6 to 0.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. DaSilva, seconded by Mrs. Picard to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Sharon Corsi, Recording Secretary
North Providence School Committee**

Date Submitted to the Committee: August 19, 2016

Date Approved by the Committee: August 24, 2016