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NEWPORT SCHOOL COMMITTEE
Special Meeting
Tuesday, September 23, 2008, 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Call to Order. Chairperson Dr. Charles P. Shoemaker called the Special Meeting of the Newport School Committee to order at 4:05 p.m. at the Newport Public Schools' Administration Center's Conference Room.

Roll Call. Attendance was as follows: School Committee Members: Chairperson Dr. Charles P. Shoemaker, Vice Chairperson Robert J. Leary, David R. Carlin, Hugo J. DeAscentis, Jr., Jo Eva Gaines, Dr. Thomas P. Galvin. and Thomas S. Phelan; School Department: Superintendent of Schools John H. Ambrogi, Ed.D., and School Committee Counsel Neil P. Galvin.

1.0 Ratifying Tentative Agreement between Teachers' Association of Newport and Newport School Committee for 2008-2011. School Committee Counsel Neil P. Galvin reviewed the background of the Negotiations Process and the elements of the proposed ratification of the Tentative Agreement. Mrs. Gaines made a motion to ratify the Tentative Agreement between the Teachers' Association of Newport and Newport School Committee for 2008-2011, subject to the execution of a full Contract that meets the approval of School Legal Counsel. Mr. Carlin seconded the motion. Discussion followed. School Committee Members each voiced their position relative to the Negotiations Process and the Proposed Ratification of the Tentative Agreement. The motion carried (4-3). Those Members voting in favor of the motion were: Chairperson Dr. Charles P. Shoemaker, David R. Carlin, Jo Eva Gaines, and Dr. Thomas P. Galvin. Those Members voting against the motion were: Vice Chairperson Robert J. Leary, Hugo J. DeAscentis, Jr., and Thomas Phelan.

2.0 Executive Session.

At 4:38 p.m., Mr. DeAscentis made a motion to go into **Executive Session** under jurisdiction of Rhode Island State Law, Chapter 46, 42-46-5 – Exceptions (a)(1) Personal Matters, and the person or persons affected have been notified in advance in writing and advised that they may require that the discussion be held in an open session; (a)(2) Collective Bargaining and Litigation; and (a)(3) Discussion regarding the matter of Security. Mr. Carlin seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

At this time, School Committee Counsel Neil Galvin left the meeting.

SEAL MINUTES

EXECUTIVE SESSION

OPEN SESSION

At 5:30 p.m., the meeting was called in Open Session.

Adjournment. At 5:31 p.m., Mr. Phelan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. DeAscentis seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

Charles P. Shoemaker, M.D.
Chairperson

John H. Ambrogi, Ed.D.
Clerk