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**NEWPORT SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, February 14, 2012, 7:00 p.m.

**MINUTES**

**1.0 OPENING ITEMS.**

**1.1 Call to Order.** Chairperson Patrick K. Kelley called the Regular Meeting of the Newport School Committee to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Newport Public Schools' Administration Center, in Room 924.

**1.2 Roll Call.** Attendance was as follows: School Committee Members: Chairperson Patrick K. Kelley, Vice Chairperson Rebecca Bolan, Sandra J. Flowers, Ph.D., Jo Eva Gaines, Robert J. Leary, Thomas S. Phelan, and Dr. Charles P. Shoemaker. School Department: Superintendent of Schools John H. Ambrogi, Ed.D., Director of Administrative Services John Miley, Director of Property Services Paul Fagan, and Director of Curriculum and Instruction Caroline Frey, Ed.D.

**1.3 Pledge of Allegiance.** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**1.4 Moment of Silence.** Moment of Silence was presented, as follows:

- **Barbara A. Mahoney:** who passed away on Wednesday, January 11, 2012. Born in Providence, RI, she was the wife of the late Joseph Mahoney and daughter of the late Delvida F. (Sylvia) Robinson and Joseph Arruda. Mrs. Mahoney worked many years for Transcom in Newport, Newport Marriott, and later as a Crossing Guard for Newport Public Schools. She is survived by her sons Joseph Arruda, John A. Mahoney and his wife Karen, all of Hyannis, MA, and Raymond J. Mahoney of Florida. She was the sister of Raymond Arruda of Griffin, GA, and Julia Mahoney and Shirley Sullivan both of Newport. Mrs. Mahoney also leaves two grandchildren Nicholas Arruda of Newport and Alexis Arruda of Hyannis, MA. She was the mother of the late Joan L. Arruda.
- **Robert J. McKenna:** who passed away on Sunday, January 15, 2012. He leaves his wife of 55 years, Mary Jean (Kelly) McKenna. Born in Providence, he was the son of James C. and Margaret (Gorman) McKenna. Mr. McKenna was educated at St. Patrick's School, La Salle Academy, Brown University, and the Catholic

University of America and received an honorary Doctorate from Our Lady of Providence Seminary. After graduating from Brown University in 1953, he joined the U.S. Army and became a Russian Linguist at the Army Language School in Monterey, California. He married and moved to Washington, D.C. where he worked for the National Security Agency, the Walter Reed Medical Center, and as a Special Assistant to Senator Claiborne Pell. In 1965, he came to Newport to work for Salve Regina University where he taught and was an Administrator for 30 years. Mr. McKenna served as a State Representative from 1969-1973, a State Senator from 1974-1985, and Mayor of the City of Newport from 1988-1994. With a great interest in Higher Education, he served as a Member and Chair of the Rhode Island Higher Education Assistance Authority, the Rhode Island Student Loan Authority, and New England Board of Higher Education. Mr. McKenna is also survived by his children, Kelly, Margaret Enkler and her husband Peter, Mark McKenna, who has been a Family Service Coordinator in the Newport Public Schools for the past 19 years, Raymond McKenna and his wife Diane, Elizabeth McKenna, Paul McKenna and his wife Nancy, Patricia MacDonald and her husband Kevin, and 11 grandchildren.

- **Susan M. Wilson:** who passed away after a 16-year battle with cancer. She was the wife of James E. Wilson and mother of Morgan E. Peibes and her husband Randy. Born in Newport, she was the daughter of the late Ernest and Helen (Hussey) Platt. Mrs. Wilson was a Consumer Education Teacher at Thompson Middle School from 1972-2000, a member of the National Education Association, and long-time volunteer for Lucy's Hearth. Her husband, James E. Wilson, retired from Newport Public Schools in 1994 as a Science Teacher at Thompson Middle School. Mrs. Wilson is survived by her brother Michael Platt and his wife Phyllis of Portsmouth, and nephews Shawn and David Platt, her sister Pat Leverone and her husband Tom of Burlington, MA, and nephews Brian Leverone and his wife Stacy, and Eric Leverone and niece Debbie Leverone, four grandnieces, and her daughter-in-law Kelly Wilson and grandson Benjamin.
- **Joseph J. Ferreira, Sr.:** who passed away on Thursday, January 26, 2012. He was the husband of the late Frances M. (Watson) Ferreira. Born in Middletown, Mr. Ferreira was the son of the late Manuel R. and Mary (Vidinha) Ferreira. He worked for the Rhode Island Department of Transportation for 31 years, New England Telephone until 1997, and Mello Construction until the time of his passing. Mr. Ferreira leaves his children Joseph J. Ferreira, Jr., of Providence, RI, and Jamie Ann Meeks, Para Educator for Newport Public Schools, as well as two grandsons Craig and Kyle Meeks,

all of Middletown, brother, John J. Ferreira, and sister, Alice M. Mosher, of Middletown.

**1.5 Public Comment.** No Public Comment was received.

**2.0 Certificates of Achievement.**

**2.1 Black History Bowl Winners.** Certificates of Achievement were presented to the Thompson Middle School students who participated and won this year's 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Black History Bowl, (held on Monday, January 16, 2012, as part of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration Program), as follows: Ammar Carter, Grade 7; Ivan Carrasquillo, Grade 7; Shannon Dunn, Grade 8, (third year on the Thompson Middle School Black History Bowl Team); Hycin Edwards, Grade 8; Jenna Erausquin, Grade 8, (second year on the Thompson Middle School Black History Bowl Team); and Pablo Zuiga, Grade 8. Thompson Middle School Social Studies Grade 7 Teacher and Advisor Michael Browner thanked the Committee for the recognition and indicated that Thompson Middle School has won the annual Aquidneck Island Black History Bowl for three consecutive years (sponsored by the Newport County Branch of the National Advancement Association for Colored People).

**TAKEN OUT OF ORDER.**

**7.0 DISCUSSION ITEM.**

**7.1 National History Day.** Coleen Hermes, the Chair of the Social Studies Department, at Rogers High School, provided a brief overview of this important annual activity—National History Day. Many of the Rogers High School Junior Class students, who participated in this year's National History Day, presented information to the School Committee about their projects (on display at the School Committee Meeting).

**TAKEN OUT OF ORDER.**

**6.0 ACTION ITEM**

**6.5 Bid Award: General Contractor for the Newport Public Schools' Claiborne Pell Elementary School.** Mrs. Gaines made a motion to Award the Bid to Construct the Pell School to Bacon Construction in a sum not to exceed \$24,050,700 and to authorize the Chairperson to execute a Contract for such, provided the Contract is acceptable to legal counsel and Owner's Representative. Change orders to said Contract in excess of \$15,000 will require approval of the School Committee." Dr. Flowers seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ambrogi thanked and recognized all individuals who brought this project forward. Owner's Representative Mr. Farrar addressed the Committee regarding next steps. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

**TAKEN OUT OF ORDER.**

**4.0 STUDENT ACTIVITIES.**

**4.1 Student Council Update: Amy Richards.** In the absence of Student Council President and School Committee Representative Amy Richards, Student Council Vice President Gabrielle Hermes provided the Committee with an update on Student Activities of the Student Council: Third Quarter begins; sports—basketball; Theater Production “Our Town”; registration for next year’s courses; and National History Day.

**3.0 Layoff Process.**

**3.1 Pre-Deprivation Hearings.**

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ambrogi briefed the Committee on the Pre-Deprivation Process. Mrs. Gaines made a motion to open the Hearings at 7:31 p.m. Dr. Flowers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0). Dr. Ambrogi explained that the individual teachers, the Teachers’ Association of Newport, the National Education Association Representative Jane Argentieri, and the School Committee all received copies of the non-renewal/suspension/layoff notices sent to the twenty two (22) General Education—Non-Tenured (Non-Renewal), and twelve (12) General Education—Tenured (Suspensions/Layoff), and that these Hearings were needed to comply with the March 1, 2012, notification deadline. Dr. Ambrogi reviewed the Layoff Process with the Committee and stated that Process could be mitigated if state law permitted a notification deadline of either May 15<sup>th</sup> or June 1st. Chairperson Mr. Kelley stated that individual teachers and/or their representatives might have an opportunity to address the Committee if they so desired. No teachers and/or their representatives addressed the Committee. No further discussion was held.

**3.2 Non-Renewal/Suspension/Layoff and/or Termination of Personnel.**

Mrs. Gaines made a motion to adopt a Resolution for the non-renewal/suspension/layoff of the teaching contracts of the personnel, as listed, at the end of the 2011-2012 School Year:

General Education—Non-Tenured: Lisa Canole, Kristen Connell, Ashley Consider, Elizabeth Copeley, Maura Cousins, Kacie Gallo, Ian Gollub, Allison Gontero, Keyla Hernandez, Katharine Hirst, Christine Korney, Kara Leary, Megan McCauley, Lauren Miraglia, Kate O’Neill, Amanda Paloian, Maria Sabetta, Kate Sangster, Amie Shinego, Robert Toribio, Leigh Vouté, and Marlana Williams; and

General Education—Tenured: Alaina Behbehani, Britany Coleman, John Dusel, Stacey Lyon, Stephanie DeAscentis, Jennifer Green, Andrew Martucci, Eric Thomas, Hope Chella, Michal Kuriscak, Jessica Rosa, and Mary Beth Vierra .

Dr. Shoemaker seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

## **5.0 CONSENT AGENDA.**

### **5.1 Approval of Minutes.**

**5.1.1 Organizational/Regular Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 10, 2012.** Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to consent to the approval of the Organizational/Regular Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 10, 2012, as presented. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

**5.1.2 Special Meeting Minutes of Thursday, February 2, 2012.** Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to consent to the approval of the Special Meeting Minutes of Thursday, February 2, 2012, as presented. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

### **5.2 Personnel Actions.**

#### **APPOINTMENTS.**

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to consent to the approval of the Appointment of: Chris Lewia, Sports Supervisor, Thompson Middle School, effective immediately. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to consent to the approval of the Appointment of: Maria Mare Schulz, Principal, Sullivan @ Triplett School (90 Days), effective February 1, 2012. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to consent to the approval of the Appointment of: Caroline Ware, Special Education Para Educator, Coggeshall School, effective March 1, 2012. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to consent to the approval of the Appointment of: Carlene Willis, Special Education Para Educator, Cranston-Calvert School, effective Immediately. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

**RESIGNATIONS.**

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to accept the Resignation of: Mary Aswell, Assistant Outdoor Track Coach, Rogers High School, effective January 6, 2012. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

**RETIREMENTS.**

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to accept the Retirement of: Karen Benvenuto, Para Educator, Underwood School, effective January 27, 2012. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to accept the Retirement of: Elizabeth Grauer, Para Educator, Cranston-Calvert School, effective July 1, 2012. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to accept the Retirement of: Karen Lacey, Kindergarten Para Educator, Cranston-Calvert School, effective July 1, 2012. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to accept the Retirement of: Colleen Murray, Culinary Technical Assistant, Newport Area Career and Technical Center, effective July 1, 2012. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to accept the Retirement of: Barbara Ripa, Secretary, Student Services, effective July 1, 2012. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

**LEAVES OF ABSENCE.**

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to consent to the approval of the Leave of Absence of: Mary Falcone, Maternity Leave, Grade 3 Teacher, Sullivan @ Triplett School, effective March 13, 2012 to April 23, 2012. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to consent to the approval of the Leave of Absence of: Kimberly Hassan, Sick Leave, Grade 2 Teacher, Cranston-Calvert School, effective February 13, 2012 to February 17, 2012. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to consent to the approval of the Leave of Absence of: William Kimes, Paternity Leave, Special Education Teacher, Rogers High School, effective April 23, 2012 to May 18, 2012. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to consent to the approval of the Leave of Absence of: Emily Zilly, Maternity Leave, Science Teacher, Rogers High School, effective May 9, 2012 to June 19, 2012. Mrs. Gaines seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (7-0).

## 6.0 ACTION ITEMS.

### 6.1 **HMFH Architects—Contract—Approval of Professional Services Supplement: No. 17.**

PSS No. 17—Additional work required as a result of a gap in continuous services by the Owner's Representative. The original estimate was over \$30,000 but negotiated to \$9,960.

Mrs. Gaines made a motion to approve Professional Services Supplement agreed to between the Newport Public Schools and HMFH Architects – No. 17. Dr. Flowers seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Mr. Leary stated that he could not support the motion, indicating that no additional monies should be spent. The motion carried (6-1). Voting against the motion was: Robert J. Leary.

### 6.2 **HMFH Architects—Contract—Approval of Professional Services Supplement: No. 18.**

PSS No. 18—Additional costs for redesigning the kitchen. There was some discrepancy between what the Nutrition Advisory Group wanted for kitchen design and the kitchen design that was developed by the kitchen design professionals contracted out by HMFH. This redesign by HMFH Architects would result in an additional \$12,888 in services.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ambrogi recommended that the Committee not support this motion, as the kitchen redesign could be revisited once the General Contractor is in place and construction begins; and, at that time, alternative options could be considered.

Mrs. Gaines made a motion not to approve Professional Services Supplement agreed to between the Newport Public schools and HMFH Architects – No. 18. Dr. Flowers seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Nutrition Advisory Group Member Nate Phillips explained the kitchen design process. Chairperson Mr. Kelley echoed Dr. Ambrogi's recommendation that the Committee could revisit this matter at a later

date once the construction process evolves through the Owner's Representative, James Farrar. Mr. Leary agreed. Ms. Bolan stated that a flow design should have been done. She further stated that she would be supporting the Nutrition Advisory Group and voting not to support the motion. The motion carried (6-1). Voting against the motion was: Rebecca Bolan.

**6.3 HMFH Architects—Contract—Approval of Professional Services Supplement: No. 19.**

PSS No. 19—Redesign to save substantial funds for the project by raising the level elevation of the building by seven (7) inches. The cost for completing that service is \$8,310.

Mrs. Gaines made a motion to approve Professional Services Supplement agreed to between the Newport Public schools and HMFH Architects – No. 19. Dr. Flowers seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Mr. Leary stated he would support the motion. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

**6.4 HMFH Architects—Contract—Approval of Professional Services Supplement: No. 20.**

PSS No. 20—Explore the possibility of eliminating the bridge and replacing it with an interior stair. The additional cost for this redesign would be \$16,934. As a result of this, there is a savings of over \$110,000, so the net savings by moving this PSS forward would be in the mid \$90,000 range.

Mrs. Gaines made a motion to approve Professional Services Supplement agreed to between the Newport Public schools and HMFH Architects – No. 20. Mr. Bolan seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ambrogio indicated that the egress meets the Fire Code. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

At approximately 7:54 p.m., School Committee Member Jo Eva Gaines left the meeting.

**6.6 Declaration of Trust—Health Benefits Cost Reduction Fund—Appointment of Officers.**

Mr. Kelley made a motion to elect Charles P. Shoemaker, M.D., as President, as Trustee for the Declaration of Trust – Health Benefits Cost Reduction Fund. Ms. Bolan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (6-0).

Mr. Kelley made a motion to elect Sandra J. Flowers, Ph.D., as Secretary, as Trustee for the Declaration of Trust – Health Benefits Cost Reduction Fund. Ms. Bolan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (6-0).

Mr. Kelley made a motion to elect Robert J. Leary, as Treasurer, as Trustee for the Declaration of Trust – Health Benefits Cost Reduction Fund. Ms. Bolan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (6-0).

**6.7 Policy No. 4600—Newport Public Schools—Human Resources—Recruitment and Appointment—FIRST READING (Amendment).**

Discussion followed. The Policy may be further amended to include equal opportunity employment language for second reading. Dr. Shoemaker made a motion to adopt Policy No. 4600: Newport Public Schools—Human Resources—Recruitment and Appointment—First Reading, as amended. Ms. Bolan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (6-0).

**6.8 Policy No. 1530—Newport Public Schools—Article I—Appointments—FIRST READING (Amendment).**

Discussion followed. Dr. Flowers made a motion to adopt Policy No. 1530: Newport Public Schools—Article I—Appointments—First Reading, as amended. Mr. Kelley seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (6-0).

**6.9 Newport Public Schools' Calendar 2012-2013.** Discussion followed regarding implementing a statewide calendar and to conduct school on parent/teacher conference days. Dr. Flowers made a motion to adopt the Newport Public Schools' Calendar for the 2012-2013 School Year, as presented. Ms. Bolan seconded the motion. Discussion followed regarding graduation ceremony date conflicts with other Island school communities. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

**7.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS.**

**7.2 NECAP [New England Common Assessment Program]—Update.** Curriculum and Instruction Director Dr. Caroline Frey presented the NECAP (New England Common Assessment Program) 2011 Fall Results in Mathematics and Reading for Grades 3 through 8 and Grade 11. She also presented the state cohort data between 2005 and 2011 (Percent of Students Scoring Proficient or Better): Mathematics: When compared to the State cohort data, Newport Public Schools' cohort gains were similar; and Reading: When compared to the State cohort

data, Newport Public Schools' cohort gains were significantly greater. Review and discussion followed regarding the need to significantly raise student proficiency in mathematics. Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ambrogi spoke to the ongoing interventions the district has implemented to address the need to raise student proficiency in mathematics. At the request of Chairperson Mr. Kelley, Dr. Ambrogi stated that he would review the entire process with the math intervention team and reach out to those few districts that have made significant strides in raising student proficiency in mathematics, and submit a plan to the Committee before the budget process is finalized in May. At the request of Mr. Leary, Dr. Ambrogi stated that he would provide the Committee with information regarding how the before-school mathematics intervention class is structured and implemented on a day-to-day basis for students at Thompson Middle School. Mr. Leary raised concern that this class might be utilized for silent reading instead of mathematics.

**7.3 Retiree Contributions to OPEB (Other Post Employment Benefits) Trust Fund.**

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ambrogi stated that, through a recent investigation, it has been discovered that retirees who write checks to the Newport Public Schools for their portion of their health benefits have their checks deposited directly into the OPEB Trust Account rather than the Operations Budget. This year, that dollar amount is \$315,000. Discussion followed. The Committee agreed that, during the upcoming budget process, this item must be a topic of discussion.

**7.4 Subcommittee Reports.** There were no Subcommittee Reports presented.

**8.0 REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT AND STAFF.**

**8.1 Expenditure and Revenue Reports.** Discussion followed. Ms. Bolan made a motion to accept the Expenditure and Revenue Reports, as presented. Mr. Phelan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (6-0).

**8.2 Enrollment Reports.** Discussion followed. At the Committee's request, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ambrogi stated that the cohort analysis would be provided with monthly enrollment reports and class size breakdown in middle and high levels would be provided during the annual budget process. Ms. Bolan made a motion to accept the Enrollment Reports, as presented. Mr. Phelan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (6-0).

**8.3 Damage Reports.** No Damage Reports were presented.

**8.4 Superintendent’s Update.** Superintendent of Schools Dr. Ambrogio listed for the Committee his activities to date:

|     |                                                                                                                                     |
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| 1.  | Theater Company Meeting with RHS Students—Additional Funding (01-11-12)                                                             |
| 2.  | RISSA/RIASBO Workshop—Legal Issues (01-12-12)                                                                                       |
| 3.  | East Bay Educational Collaborative Board Meeting (01-13-12)                                                                         |
| 4.  | Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Celebration Program @ Thompson Middle School (01-16-12)                                        |
| 5.  | Conference Call with City Finance Director and Auditor—Newport Public Schools’ Federal Single Audit Findings (01-17-12)             |
| 6.  | Race-to-the-Top Meeting with RIDE (01-19-12)                                                                                        |
| 7.  | Board of Regents Meeting re: Pell Space Exception Allowance Request (01-19-12)                                                      |
| 8.  | RHS Stage Curtain Repair Funding Received—Photo Op with RHS Alumni Association and Supervisor of the Arts Alan Bernstein (01-20-12) |
| 9.  | Luncheon Meeting with New City Manager, Jane Howington (01-20-12)                                                                   |
| 10. | Chartwells Financial Meeting (01-23-12)                                                                                             |
| 11. | NSC/NCC Liaison Subcommittee Meeting (01-24-12)                                                                                     |
| 12. | Newport Children’s Theatre Meeting (01-24-12)                                                                                       |
| 13. | RI Interlocal Risk Management Trust—Underwriting Committee Meeting (01-25-12)                                                       |
| 14. | Military Interstate Compact Commission Meeting (01-30-12)                                                                           |
| 15. | Housing Authority Renovation Ceremony @ Florence M. Gray Center (01-30-12)                                                          |
| 16. | RI Interlocal Risk Management Trust—Board Meeting (01-31-12)                                                                        |
| 17. | Pell Meeting with Architects and Owner’s Representative (02-01-12)                                                                  |
| 18. | Child Find Survey Meeting (02-06-12)                                                                                                |
| 19. | NSC Policy Subcommittee Meeting (02-07-12)                                                                                          |
| 20. | Layoff Process Meeting with TAN (02-09-12)                                                                                          |
| 21. | East Bay Educational Collaborative (EBEC) Board Meeting (02-10-12)                                                                  |

Ms. Bolan made a motion to accept the Superintendent’s Update, as presented. Mr. Phelan seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (6-0).

**9.0 SUGGESTED MEETING DATES AND AGENDA ITEMS.**

**9.1 Meeting and Agenda Requests.** The Committee reviewed Meeting and Agenda Requests. Dr. Shoemaker requested that the Committee review the Agenda Format for Executive Session Placement, possibly meeting prior to the 7 p.m. start of the Regular Monthly Meeting.

**10.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION.**

- 10.1** At 8:56 p.m., Ms. Bolan 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; and (a)(2) Collective Bargaining and Litigation. Mr. Leary seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (6-0).

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**SEALED MINUTES—CONFIDENTIAL**

**OPEN SESSION**

At 9:28 p.m., the meeting was called in Open Session.

**11.0 ADJOURNMENT.**

At 9:30 p.m., Mr. Phelan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Flowers seconded the motion, which carried unanimously (6-0).

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**Patrick K. Kelley**  
Chairperson

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**John H. Ambrogi, Ed.D.**  
Clerk

**ATTACHMENT:**

1. Newport Public Schools' Calendar 2012-2013

**School**  
 Cranston-Calvert Elementary  
 John Coggeshall Elementary  
 William J. Underwood Elementary  
 Dr. Michael H. Sullivan Elementary @ Triplet

**Start** 8:30 a.m.  
**End** 2:45 p.m.



**School**  
 Frank E. Thompson Middle School  
 William S. Rogers High School  
 Newport Area Career & Technical Center  
 Newport RHS Alternate Learning Program

**Start** 8:00 a.m.  
**End** 2:15 p.m.

••• = No School

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## Newport Public Schools 2012-2013 Calendar

| JULY 2012 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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**July 2012:**

4 - Independence Day Holiday

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**August 2012:**

13 - Victory Day [State Holiday]

| SEPTEMBER 2012 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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**September 2012:** (17 days; 17 days Cumulative)

3 - Labor Day [No School]  
 4 - Teacher In-Service [No School]  
 5 - First Day of School (K-12) (Full Day)  
 11 - Primary Election Day [No School]  
 11 - Teacher In-Service [No School]  
 14 - **Commodore John Barry Day Observed\***

| OCTOBER 2012 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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**October 2012:** (22 days, 39 days Cumulative)

8 - Columbus Day [No School]

| NOVEMBER 2012 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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**November 2012:** (17 days, 56 days Cumulative)

6 - Election Day [No School]  
 12 - Veteran's Day [No School]  
 13 - **End of First Quarter (45 days)**  
 22-23 Thanksgiving Recess [No School]  
**Parent Teacher Conferences:**  
 27 - Elementary Schools [No School]  
 28 - Thompson Middle School [No School]  
 29 - Rogers High School & NACTC [No School]

| DECEMBER 2012 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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**December 2012:** (15 days, 71 days Cumulative)

24 - January 1 -- Holiday Recess [No School]

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**January 2013:** (21 days, 92 days Cumulative)

1 - New Year's Day [No School]  
 21 - Dr. Martin Luther King Day [No School]  
 30 - **End of 2nd Quarter (90 days)**

| FEBRUARY 2013 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 24            | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |    |    |

**February 2013:** (14 days, 106 days Cumulative)

12 - **Grand Army Flag Day \***  
**Parent Teacher Conferences:**  
 12 - Elementary Schools [No School]  
 13 - Thompson Middle School [No School]  
 14 - Rogers High School & NACTC [No School]  
 18 - President's Day [No School]  
 18 - 22 Winter Recess [No School]

| MARCH 2013 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| S          | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  |
|            |    |    |    |    |    | 1  |
| 2          | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  |
| 9          | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16         | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23         | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30         | 31 |    |    |    |    |    |

**March 2013:** (20 days, 126 days Cumulative)

29 - Good Friday [No School]

| APRIL 2013 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| S          | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  |
|            | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  |
| 7          | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14         | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21         | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28         | 29 | 30 |    |    |    |    |

**April 2013:** (17 days, 143 days Cumulative)

12 - **End of Third (3rd) Quarter (135 days)**  
 15 - 19 Spring Recess [No School]  
 26 - **Arbor Day Observed \***

| MAY 2013 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| S        | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  |
|          |    |    | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4  |
| 5        | 6  | 7  | 8  | 9  | 10 | 11 |
| 12       | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19       | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 26       | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |    |

**May 2013:** (22 days, 165 days Cumulative)

4 - **Rhode Island Independence Day \***  
 27 - Memorial Day [No School]

| JUNE 2013 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|-----------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| S         | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  |
|           |    |    |    |    |    | 1  |
| 2         | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  |
| 9         | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16        | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23        | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30        |    |    |    |    |    |    |

**June 2013:** (15 days, 180 days Cumulative)

14 - Rogers High School Graduation  
 21 - **Last Day of School/End of Fourth Quarter**  
 24 - 28 **Make Up Days As Needed**

*\*\* In accordance with District Policy 4.1.1.D and RI General RI Gen. Laws § 16-20-3, day especially observed with appropriate exercises in all the schools of this district.*

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