

PROVIDENCE SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

May 14 2007

NO. 667

A regularly scheduled meeting was held in the Providence School Board Room at 797 Westminster Street, Providence, RI.

Mr. Touray called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

MOTION TO CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO RIGL (a)(1),(a)(2),(a)(9):

I move, under R.I. Gen. Laws 42-46-5(a)(1), that this public body convene in executive session to discuss the job performance of certain employees. These persons have been notified in writing that the public body intends to convene in executive session to discuss his or her job performance and he/she declined to have this discussion take place in open session.

I further move, under R.I. Gen. Laws 42-46-5(a)(2), that this public body convene in executive session to discuss certain matters that are the subject of collective bargaining and litigation, and to conduct work sessions pertaining to collective bargaining and litigation.

I further move, under R.I. Gen. Laws 42-46-5(a)(9), that this public body convene in executive session to conduct hearings and hear grievances filed pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement.

MSV Holloway, Wise		<u>Roll Call Vote:</u>	7 – 0		
Holloway	Yes	Young	Yes	Gonzalez	Yes
Wise	Yes	Castro	Yes		
Touray	Yes	Crenca	Yes		

Mr. Touray re-convened the meeting at 6:30 PM

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms.Gonzalez, Ms. Castro, Ms. Holloway, Mr. Wise, Mr. Crenca, Mr. Touray (Acting Chair), Mr. Young

MOTION TO SEAL THE MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE SESSION.

MSV Wise, Holloway 7 – 0

REPORT EXECUTIVE SESSION VOTES:

None

RECOGNITIONS:

Scholastic Read 180 National Award Winner: Freddie Jackson, Grade 5 Windmill Elementary School

NEASC Accreditations:

- Hope High School Dr. Wayne Montague, Principal Hope Leadership; Dr. Arthur Petrosinelli, Principal Hope Technology ; Mr. Scott Sutherland, Hope Arts

POLICY & PLANNING

Facilities Policy 1st Reading

Mark Dunham, Chief Financial Officer

Board Issues:

- How will the Board be informed on education specifications particularly external to the building?
- Should community engagement recommendation include local oversight committee for every building in policy?
- Should the community engagement process be in the policy?

Davies Brickell Facilities Policy Recommendations 1st Reading Mark Dunham, Chief Financial Officer

- Three policies are recommended for rescission as new facilities policy is adopted

Energy Policy 1st Reading

Withdrawn by the Superintendent

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Consolidated Resource Plan Overview

Andrea Castenedas, School Improvement Officer
Anthony Vescera, Coordinator of Grant Funds &
External Funding

PUBLIC COMMENT

Motion to extend public comment to accommodate 3 minutes per speaker.

MSV Wise, Young 7 – 0

NAME

ISSUE

Southeast Asian Translation Services

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA: RESOLUTIONS 5-1-07 through 5-4-07

5-1-07 Approval of Minutes

5-2-07 Home School Candidates

5-3-07 Nomination of Long Term Substitute Teachers-135 Days

5-4-07 Nomination of LTS 2nd Semester/Change of Status

MSV Holloway, Castro 7 – 0

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REPORT ON BUSINESS CONTRACTS

5-5-07 Material and Service Contracts for 2007-2008 School Year

MSV Young, Wise 7 – 0

MOTION TO APPROVE THE ACTION ITEM RESOLUTIONS

5-6-07 Relations with Educational Research Agencies (Policy LC)

Background checks are required for persons who may want to interview students.

Passive consent Telephone contact is included in the policy for passive content.

Proper notification under active consent requires parent understanding and signed parental approval to opt in to allow their child's participation in the research.

MSV Gonzalez, Castro 7 – 0

5-7-07 Providence Schools Facilities Plan Endorsement

Providence Public School Department School Facility Master Plan and Phase I Projects

MSV Wise, Holloway 7 – 0

5-8-07 Transportation Contract

First Student Transportation three years contract starting September 1, 2007 thru August 31, 2010 with two option years September 1, 2010 thru August 31, 2012 effective at end date of the current contract August 31, 2007.

Local Funds: First Student Bid \$25,538,239

- Year 1 \$8,270,604

- Year 2 \$8,510,270

- Year 3 \$8,757,365

MSV Wise, Young 7 – 0

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Southeast Asians Translation Services included in Consolidated Resource Plan specific to parent engagement funds
- High School Graduations
- Community Forums
- State required building oversight committee limited to 8 - 11 members

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FUTURE MEETINGS

May 29th	School Board Workshop	6:00 PM Professional Development Room	High School Updates and
		7:00 PM School Board Room	Teacher Termination Hearing
Jun 11th	School Board Workshop	6:30 PM School Board Room	
Jun 20th	Special Board Meeting	6:00 PM School Board Room	Teacher Non-Renewal Hearings
Jun 25th	School Board Workshop	6:00 PM Professional Development Room	Extended Learning Opportunities

GOVERNANCE: None

School Board Comments

Mr. Young requests translation service to avoid students translating for parents.

Ms. Castro requests updates on Southeast translation services.

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:20 PM

MSV Young, Wise 7 – 0

Submitted by: Maureen Cotter, Special Assistant to the Superintendent & School Board