

**PROVIDENCE SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES**

**June 25, 2007**

**NO. 670**

The Providence School Board Room held a workshop in the Professional Development Room at 797 Westminster Street, Providence, RI.

Ms. McClure called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

MOTION TO CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION in School Board Room Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining & Litigation

MSV Holloway, Wise		<u>Roll Call Vote:</u>	5 – 0
Holloway	Yes	McClure	Yes
Wise	Yes	McKenzie	Yes
Young	Yes		

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. McClure, Ms. Holloway, Mr. Wise, Mr. Crenca (arrived 5:35pm), Mr. Touray (arrived 6:25pm), Mr. Young, Ms. McKenzie (arrived 5:45 PM)

Ms. McClure convened the business meeting at 7:10 PM  
Motion to come out of executive session and seal the minutes.

MSV Holloway, Young 7 – 0

REPORT ON EXECUTIVE SESSION VOTE:

MOTION to deny grievance.  
MSV Young, Touray 7 – 0

MOTION to deny grievance.  
MSV Young, Touray 7 – 0

**POLICY & PLANNING**

Nathan Bishop Architects introduced by Mark Dunham, CFO

Architect Involution, Inc consultants summarized the conceptual and schematic design process running from March 2007 through June 2007. New building and building renovations options were shared with the community on four occasions: March 21<sup>st</sup>, April 11<sup>th</sup>, April 24<sup>th</sup>, and June 20<sup>th</sup>. Option reviews included physical and financial evaluation and analysis. Following community discussion, building renovation with 131, 700 square feet program space is the final recommendation.

- Cost for new versus renovation yields better cost for per square for renovations.
- Renovation option may have some classes that do not meet requirements
- Renovation will meet 30% energy efficient goal for green buildings
- Building design flexibility is gained primarily through technology to keep up with pedagogical changes

MOTION TO CHANGE ORDER OF BUSINESS TO ALLOW FOR PARTIAL PUBLIC COMMENT SPECIFIC TO NATHAN BISHOP PROJECT.

MSV Wise, Young 7 – 0

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

NAME	ISSUE
Elizabeth Palter	Nathan Bishop (spokesperson)
Michael Kenney	Nathan Bishop (spokesperson) (spoke also on behalf of Sam Zurier and Jim McAleer)

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POLICY & PLANNING continued

Facilities & Communications Policy Maria Tocco, Communications Director

- Capacity to implement policy is manageable with
- Implementation strategies define state mandated advisory council and individual site-specific engagement.

RECOMMENDED LANGUAGE CHANGES:

- o Clarify engagement beyond state advisory council: In addition, the district will implement an engagement process around each building project
- o Note the Preservation Society should be included on state mandated advisory committee

For the record: Mr. Touray disagrees that any community group should be named in policy. Advocacy for groups could happen as school projects come forward.

NEXT STEPS: Schedule FA/FB, KCE & Ed Specifications for 2<sup>nd</sup> reading at next Board meeting  
Rescind old DB policy Resolution 6-23-07 at same time.

Energy Policy Mark Dunham, CFO

- Incentives for compliance and initiative

NEXT STEPS: Schedule 2<sup>nd</sup> reading for next Board meeting

High School Waiver Policy Dr. Evans, Superintendent

Request for one year waiver from district policy requirement for 24 credits graduation, The district currently meet the graduation requirements of 20 credits.

NAME	ISSUE
Jillian DeFusco Suzy Quinn Patricia Maynard Lynn Tramonti, Paul Vorro Steve Smith	Teacher Lay-offs
Mary Sylvia Harrison Sakinah Abdur-Rasheed	Bumping
Blossom Kirschembaum	Governance

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA: RESOLUTIONS 6-14-07 THROUGH 6-17-07.

- 6-14-07 Approval of Minutes
  - 6-15-07 Nomination of Long Term Substitute Teachers-135 Days
  - 6-16-07 Rescission of Non-Renewal of Teaching Contracts AMENDED**
  - 6-17-07 Nomination of Athletic Coach
- MSV Touray, Crenca 5 – 0

**Rescission of Non-Renewal of Teaching Contracts AMENDED 6-16-07**

Resolved, the termination of employment of the teachers listed below is hereby rescinded because a vacancy has become available in the teacher's area of certification.

Sean	Aldrich	Brendan	Hanrahan	Stephanie	Saint-Aubin
Laura	Almagno	Jimps	Jean-Louis	Gina	Salman
Raoul	Archambault	Bisi	Kolawole	<del>Cara</del>	<del>Salzano</del>

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Bolanle	Awosika	Alfred	Krapf	Derrith	Schwarz
Nina	Bachini	<del>Judah</del>	<del>Lakin</del>	Maria	Silvestri
<del>Denise</del>	<del>Backman</del>	Jennifer	Larkin	Margaret	Simms
Nathan	Biah	Nicole	Lepre	Shannon	St. Angelo
Donna	Blanchard	James	Levanos	Ariana	Testa
Jane	Brell	Kerri	Levasseur	Megan	Thoma
Sarah	Cappelli	Robin	Maguire	Kimberly	Thomas
Linda	Carnevale	Vismark	Maria-Gonzalez	Jodi	Timpani
Courtney	Catullo	Mary	Markey	Christina	Toro
Kristen	Chofay	Laura	Maxwell	Jill	Troiani
Henry	Coleman	Dianne	McElroy	Winafred	Vanhorne-Prior
Lily	Coustan	Jonathan	Mendelsohn	Michelle	Varin
Kara	DeFlorian	Melissa	Meyers	Jillian	Vieira
Rebecca	DelNigro	Thomas	Nolan	Nancy	Walwood
Michael	DiMucci	<del>Jaime</del>	<del>Orabona</del>	Nancy	Ware
Colleen	Duffy-Golec	Elizabeth	Palumbo	Mary	Watson
Emily	Ellis	Donna	Petronelli	Patricia	Weathers-Parry
Mary	Engelhard	Christine	Prescott	Alexis	Webster
<del>Alexis</del>	<del>Firity</del>	<del>Brian</del>	<del>Purcell</del>	Amy	Weigand
Lu	Fjelstad	Friedrika	Robinson	Joel	Weintraub
Leticia	Gonzalez	Sharlene	Rossi	Andres	Zuniga
Jennie Stephanie	Guertin Callaghan	Jonathan	Ryder		

**MOTION TO APPROVE SUPERINTENDENT'S PERSONNEL RESOLUTION NUMBERS**

6-18-07 American Academy for Liberal Education  
 Funds: Teaching American History Grant)

(\$10,000 Source of

6-19-07 STEPS Professional Development & Consulting  
 Mathematics Professional Development Grant)

(\$38,400; First Steps in

MSV Crenca, Holloway 5 - 0

**MOTION TO APPROVE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT ON BUSINESS CONTRACTS**

6-20-07 Nomination of Acting Supervisor of High Schools  
effective 6/26/07 at \$86,293)

(Brian Baldizar

MSV Touray, Young 5 - 0

6-21-07 Nomination of Supervisor for Reading First  
effective 6/26/07 at \$95,119)

(Paula Shannon

MSV Touray, Young 5 - 0

**MOTION TO APPROVE ACTION ITEMS RESOLUTION NUMBER as corrected**

6-22-07 School Board Annual Meeting Calendar

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6-23-07 Rescission of Davies Brickell Series 7000 Facilities Policies  
**WITHDRAWN** by the Superintendent.

6-24-07 High School Policy Waiver  
MSV Touray, Young 5 - 0

6-25-07 Resolution Authorizing and Approving the 2007 School Projects  
MSV Touray, Holloway 5 - 0

**Future Meetings**

Jul 21	School Board Retreat	8:00 AM	School Board Room
Aug 17 & 18	School Board Retreat	TBA	School Board Room

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:45PM

MSV Wise, Holloway 7 – 0

Submitted by:

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