

**MINUTES**  
**Providence School Board**

**Friday, August 17, 2007 (5:30 PM)**

The School Board meeting was called to order by Board President Mary McClure at 5:30 PM in the School Board Room located in the Administration Building at 797 Westminister Street.

## **ROLL CALL**

UPON THE ROLL BEING CALLED, THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:

**BOARD MEMBERS::** Bob Wise  
Kathy McKenzie  
Mary McClure  
Rosanna Castro  
Umberto Crenca

## **Convene Meeting**

## **Public Comment**

### **2. Public Comment**

Public Comment (30 Minutes): Members of the community who wish to address the School Board must complete a request form BEFORE the start of the meeting. Comment forms are available in the meeting room 30 minutes before the start of the meeting. An individual may speak for up to 3 minutes. Additional comments may be submitted in writing. Groups or organizations are encouraged to appoint a spokesperson (Policy reference BEDH). PLEASE NOTE: The School Board welcomes comments from the public but does not engage in dialogue with the public during business meetings.

NONE

## **Consent Agenda**

### **3. Consent Agenda**

None

All items under the Consent Agenda are adopted by a single motion unless a member of the School Board or the Superintendent requests that an item be removed and voted on separately. Consent items are considered routine and do not require discussion prior to the vote.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Superintendent recommends approval of the Consent Agenda.

### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Kathy McKenzie**) Moved, Member (**Rosanna Castro**) seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Superintendent recommends approval of the Consent Agenda.'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **CARRIED. 5 - 0**

#### **4. Personnel Actions**

Personnel Actions & Assignments

\*Rescission of Non-Renewal of Athletic Directors \*Rescission of Non-Renewal of Coaches - Fall Sports  
\*Probationary Teachers/Recall \*Regular Teachers/Recall \*Regular Teachers/Change of Status \*Probationary Teachers/Change of Status \*Probationary Teachers/Recall/Change of Status \*Probationary Teachers/New Hire  
\*LTS 1st Semester New Hire \*Occupational Therapist New Hire \*School Based Coordinators

**RECOMMENDATION:** The School Board approves the Superintendent's recommended personnel actions as indicated in the summary.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Kathy McKenzie)** Moved, Member **(Rosanna Castro)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The School Board approves the Superintendents recommended personnel actions as indicated in the summary.'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **CARRIED. 5 - 0**

#### **5. Home School Candidates**

Home School Candidates

A detailed private home instruction plan has been prepared by the parents of students in the Providence School System and has been approved by the Director of Student Affairs in compliance with Chapter 16-19-2 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island. Student progress will be reviewed prior to the end of the school year.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Administration recommends the School Board approve Home School Candidates

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Kathy McKenzie)** Moved, Member **(Rosanna Castro)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Administration recommends the School Board approve Home School Candidates'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **CARRIED. 5 - 0**

#### **6. Providence School Board Minutes**

Record of Minutes

7.16.07 Special Meeting Minutes 7.21.07 Meeting Minutes 8.14.07 Special Meeting Minutes

**RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend School Board approval of minutes.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Mary McClure)** Moved, Member **(Bob Wise)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Recommend School Board approval of minutes.'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **CARRIED. 5 - 0**

## Report on Contracts

### **7. Approval of Contract Funding for 2nd Edition Math Investigations District Core Elementary Math Program**

Please see the attachment.

1. District agrees to engage Consultant, and Consultant agrees to perform personally, in a manner satisfactory to District, the following services: Professional development in conjunction with the implementation of the Math Investigations 2nd Edition (MI2) curriculum for all district K-5 elementary schools who are not in NCLB corrective action. The professional development cost includes MI2 Instructional materials for all the elementary teachers involved in the training. These materials will be used in the classrooms during the regular school year and will supplant MI2 materials recently purchased via each school's local budget. A detail of the Professional Development is attached.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Administration recommends the School Board approve this contract.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Kathy McKenzie**) Moved, Member (**Umberto Crenca**) seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Administration recommends the School Board approve this contract.'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **CARRIED. 5 - 0**

### **8. Connected Math 2nd Edition PD Training and Support Materials**

This contract will support Professional Development in conjunction with the implementation of the Connected Math 2nd Edition (CMP2) Core Math curriculum for all district elementary and middle schools who are not in NCLB corrective action. The professional development cost includes CMP2 Instructional materials for all the elementary teachers involved in the training. These materials will be used in the classrooms during the regular school year and will supplant CMP2 materials recently purchased via each school's local budget. A detail of the Professional Development is referenced in the enclosure section above.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Administration recommends the School Board approve this contract.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member (**Rosanna Castro**) Moved, Member (**Bob Wise**) seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Administration recommends the School Board approve this contract.'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **CARRIED. 5 - 0**

### **9. Reform Facilitator Contract/Central High School Bianca Gray**

Desired start date: 9-4-07

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Administration recommends School Board approval.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

**ITEM WITHDRAWN BY THE SUPERINTENDENT**

## **10. Cross Disciplinary Teaching Contract with Frank Leary, Consultant/Hope High School Leadership Academy**

Professional Development activities for Humanity teachers. Create a Vision and Mission Statement, create leadership rubrics and a student-centered framework.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Administration recommends School Board approval.

### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Rosanna Castro)** Moved, Member **(Mary McClure)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Administration recommends School Board approval.'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **CARRIED. 5 - 0**

## **Governance**

### **11. School Board Retreat**

School Board Retreat

**RECOMMENDATION:** Seek to Convene to Executive Session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1) Personnel

Member **(Rosanna Castro)** Moved, Member **(Mary McClure)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'The Administration recommends School Board approval.'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **CARRIED. 5 - 0**

## **Retirements - Resignations**

### **12. Retirements and/or Resignations**

Current list of names

List of recently received resignations and/or retirements for informational purposes only.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Information only. No action required.

### **13. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM