

MINUTES

Providence School Department
797 Westminster Street
Providence, RI 02903
March 12, 2012

CONVENE MEETING

1. Call to Order – Board President Keith Oliveira called the meeting to order at 6:37PM
Board Members Present: Keith Oliveira Magaly Sanchez, Nina Pande, Nicholas Hemond, Natalia Rosa-Sosa, Robert Wise, Julian Dash and Maila Touray

Absent Board Members: Barbara Wong

Magaly Sanchez arrived at 6:44PM and Nina Pande arrived at 6:48PM

2. Superintendent's Comments – Recognitions were given to the Classical High School Boys Soccer Team and Track & Field
 - Superintendent Lusi wanted to recognize the Community Partner PASA for receiving the Three (3) Badges of Life Long Learning (\$75,000.00) from the MacArthur Foundation for the use of working with children on extended learning. She congratulated the Central High School Boys Basketball Team for winning the Championship and also the Cooley High School Girls Basketball Team for winning Division 3 Championship.
3. School Board Organizational Meeting – Monthly Calendar
The Board discussed having their Termination Hearings on Saturdays, Policy Meetings the first Monday of the month and Finance Meetings on the third Monday of the Month

APPROVE AGENDA

4. Approve Agenda
The School Board may vote to approve any revision, adoption, and/or ordering of the Agenda. The Superintendent may withdraw, note changes or amendments to agenda items at this time.
MSV – Pande, Dash (8-0) MOTION APPROVED

PUBLIC COMMENT

5. Right to be Heard – Began at 6:54PM and ended at 6:57PM

- Steve Smith – I want to congratulate Robert Palazzo for his unbelievable work and for being an outstanding coach. I am also here to speak against the Cambium NAEP contract because \$5,000,000.00 is a lot of money to spend. What was the process used to chose them? I asked Mass Insight for the RFQ. We have the ability to work with Labor Management to set-up policies for the three schools under Labor Management Policy. There are various initiatives at all of the Intervention Schools with many more to be identified. There are many ways of bringing systemic change but we need to be up front and open.

SCHOOL BOARD COMMENTS

6. School Board Comments

- Keith Oliveira – I want to congratulate the Central High School Boys Basketball Team for winning the State Championship. Also the Juanita Sanchez Girls Team for winning Division 3.

CONSENT AGENDA

Recommendation: The Superintendent recommends School Board approval of Consent agenda items.

7. Minutes 2-27-12

8. Personnel Actions

9. Consent Agenda Approval: Minutes 2-27-12; Personnel Actions

A Motion was made at this time to amend the minutes to reflect that Mr. Wise was not in attendance for the meeting of 2-27-12. Items #4 and #9 on the agenda should have been seconded by Mr. Touray

MSV – Pande, Touray (8-0) MOTION APPROVED

A Vote was taken to approve the consent agenda after the change was made

MSV – Oliveira, Wise (8-0) MOTION APPROVED

REPORT ON PERSONNEL

10. Supervisor of K-12 Literacy – Gina L. Picard – Effective 3-13-12; Salary: \$98,001.00

MSV – Oliveira, Touray (8-0) MOTION APPROVED

REPORT ON CONTRACTS

11. Contract for Gateway Healthcare Youth Guidance Division

MSV – Touray, Dash (8-0) MOTION APPROVED

12. X2 Development Corporation Contract Aspen Solution Student Information System – Hosted Service Agreement

13. Cambium – NAEP

A Motion was made to move this contract after item #15 was discussed

MSV – Hemond, Rosa-Sosa (8-0) MOTION APPROVED

A Motion was made to approve the change

MSV – Pande, Oliveira (8-0) MOTION APPROVED

Contracts #12 and #13 were informational only so the Board will vote on them at the next meeting 3-26-12

ACTION ITEMS

14. Resolution to Oppose Binding Arbitration

MSV – Pande, Dash (8-0) MOTION APPROVED

PRESENTATIONS

15. Innovation Schools & Lead Partners

16. Operations Update on Department Reorganizations; Human Resources and Student Registration & Placement

FUTURE MEETINGS

17. Finance Sub-Committee (March 19, 2012); Work Session – Retreat Planning (TBD); Superintendent Search (TBD)

RETIREMENTS & RESIGNATIONS

18. Retirements & Resignations

8:38PM – Motion was made to go into Executive Session

MSV – Pande, Touray

Roll Call : Touray Aye, Rosa-Sosa Aye, Hemond Aye, Oliveira Aye, Sanchez Aye, Pande Aye, Wise Aye and Dash Aye

EXECUTIVE SESSION

19. Executive Session Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(1)Personnel; RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2)Collective Bargaining & Litigation (McCrink V Providence School Board) ; RIGL 42-46-5(a)(9)Level B Grievances

EXECUTIVE SESSION VOTES

20. Executive Session Votes – There were votes taken and the minutes were sealed

ADJOURN

21. Adjourn Meeting – 10:43PM