

**Central Falls School District Board of Trustees**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**September 16, 2014 at 6 PM**  
**Ella Risk Conference Room, Lower Level**

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call- Chair Anna Cano Morales called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM. Present were Sonia Grace, Stephanie Gonzalez, Ana-Cecilia Rosado, and Hugo Figueroa. Diosa Martinez and Carlos Tobon were absent.
- II. Pledge
- III. Approval of the meeting minutes of August 19, 2014 - A motion to approve the meeting minutes of August 19, 2014, was made by Ms. Gonzalez, seconded by Ms. Grace. Motion carried (3,0, 2 abstained)
- IV. Approval of personnel actions including any new appointments, rescissions, resignations, recalls, and retirement – A motion to approve the appointments of Rose Marie Stevens, Dena DeSano, Robert Christie, Briana Jones, Mona Moukhaiber, Zachary Burgess, Francisco Alves, and Brad Peryea and the resignations of Geoffrey Favakeh, Stephanie Maggiacomo, Ana Hernandez, Dawn Pagliarini, and Kerri Moura, was made by Ms. Grace, seconded by Ms. Gonzalez. Motion carried. (5,0)
- V. Approval of bills – Grants and General Budget and Facility Improvements – A motion to approve the bills was made by Ms. Rosado, seconded by Mr. Figueroa. Motion carried. (5,0)
- VI. Public Comment - none
- VII. Curriculum Presentation Buddy Comet, Dean of Pedagogy along with Mr. LaPlante presented the curriculum development work. (See the attached slide presentation)
- VIII. High School Reform Plan as presented to RIDE – Mr. LaPlante, Mr. Comet and Mr. Silvia, Assistant Principal, present the School Reform Plan. (See the Attached) The Trustees noted the additional force of data when viewed through the lens of Equity.
- IX. Review of Proposed 2016 Budget- Mr. Peryea gave a verbal overview of the bleak budget situation with rising charter school tuitions and health care costs, a negotiation year, no guarantee of state stabilization funds, and continuing loss of funds under the present school funding formula, the 2016 budget numbers reflect a full \$3.24million reduction. With the current level of stabilization funds, that reduction is reduced to \$1.44 million. The Trustees agreed that the situation is perilous.
- X. Superintendent Comment – Because of the late hour and in deference to the people awaiting a grievance hearing, the Superintendent withheld her report

until the next meeting except the single notice that the opening of the health clinic means the mandates of Title X must be followed and adhered to with our young people seeking information and support in the area of birth control. It is expected that the vote to approve the health clinic's operation will take place at the next Trustee meeting.

- XI. Teaching and Learning Center gathering of resources, possible vote for expenditure of resources - No information of additional resources was received or presented on behalf of the city; so no action was taken.
- XII. Board Comment – Chairperson Morales noted the astoundingly positive presence and effect of uniforms across the district.
- XIII. A motion to move into Executive Session pursuant to chapter 42-46-5(a)(2) to discuss certain matters that are the subject of collective bargaining and litigation, and to conduct work sessions pertaining to collective bargaining and litigation. (Specifically, certified union litigation and early review of negotiation preparations), was made by Ms. Grace, seconded by Ms. Rosado. A roll call vote was taken. All concurred. Another motion to move into Executive Session under RI General 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. (non-certified bus driver complaint) was made by Ms. Grace, seconded by Ms. Rosado. A roll call vote was taken all concurred.
- XIV. A roll call vote was taken to come out of Executive Session. All concurred. Chairperson Morales called for a vote on the motion to deny the grievance. A roll call vote was taken. All concurred. (5,0) Ms. Rosado made a motion to seal the minutes of the executive session. This was seconded by Ms. Gonzalez. Motioned carried. (5,0)
- XV. Next Scheduled Meeting: September 23, 2014 at 6 PM at the Ella Risk School. Topics: Early Childhood Center Pk-K
- XVI. Adjournment – At 8:50 PM a motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Grace, seconded by Ms. Rosado.