

**Central Falls School District Board of Trustees**  
**Meeting Minutes – October 13, 2015**  
**Ella Risk Conference Room, Lower Level**  
**5:30 PM**

*The Board of Trustees may vote on any agenda item.*

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call - The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Anna Cano-Morales at 5:32 PM. A roll call was taken. Board Members Present: Ron Pitt, Hugo Figueroa, Anna Cano-Morales and Diosa Martinez.  
Arriving after the meeting was called to order: Stephanie Gonzalez, Sonia Grace and Ana Cecilia-Rosado.  
Board Members Absent: None

- II. Pledge– The pledge was led by Ms. Amy Burns.

- III. Approval of the meeting minutes of August 22, 2015 - A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Pitt, seconded by Mr. Figureroa. Motion approved.

Approval of the meeting minutes of September 8, 2015 - A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Pitt, seconded by Mr. Figureroa. Motion approved.

- IV. Approval of personnel actions including any new appointments, rescissions, resignations, recalls, and retirement – Superintendent Capellan presented the following names for action:

New Hires: Mr. Raymond Gomes (Math), Ms. Karina Grubin (Special Education/Math), Ms. Toby Liebowitz (DPT), Ms. Sandra Osorio (HSL), Ms. Adriana Contreras (HSL).

A motion was made by Mr. Pitt, seconded by Ms. Martinez. Motion approved.

- V. Approval of bills – Grants and General Budget – A motion to approve pending review was made Ms. Gonzalez, seconded by Mr. Pitt. Motion approved.

- VI. Presentation Topic: Seal of Biliteracy: Ms. Evelyn Cosme-Jones, ELL Director at Central Falls School and Ms. Erin Pappa, President of the RI Foreign Language Association made a presentation to the board about the new “Seal of Biliteracy” being launched from RIDE. They explained that Central Falls was going to pilot the program. After the presentation a discussion was held about the project.

The board asked for the team to come back at a later date to hold a working session to discuss further.

- VII. Presentation Topic: Out of District Students – Ms. Edda Carmadello the Chief Academic Officer for the District presented the board with an update on the District’s Out of District Placements. The board congratulated Ms. Carmadello and the District on designing programs that service our students at home.
- VIII. Central Falls Attendance Campaign – Superintendent Capellan discussed the Central Falls School District will focus on encouraging students to attend school every day and on time. A series of activities will be held to promote school attendance.
- IX. Discussion on Narcon Policy: The board conducted the first reading of the District’s Naloxone Administration Policy. The policy will be discussed and scheduled to vote at the next meeting.
- X. Schools Building Committee Update: Superintendent Capellan informed the board that the District has submitted three applications to the RI Department of Education School Building Construction Authority. First application was for Emergency Repairs, the second for Fast Track Projects and the third for Major Programs. The District is awaiting answers from RIDE.
- XI. Public Comment: There was no public comment.
- XII. Superintendent Comment – Superintendent Capellan spoke about the first six weeks of school. He informed the board that many great activities were happening in the District. He highlighted the College Week taking place from 10/19/15 to 10/23/15.

XIII. Board Comment – Ms. Gonzalez expressed her excitement for the college-going work being developed and promoted in the district.

Board members reminded Superintendent Capellan to ensure that students who are undocumented have a real-pathway to college. The suggestion to speak with CASO and other such groups was also made.

XIV. Possible Executive Session, under RI General Laws 42-46-5 (a) (2) that this 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.

Ms. Rosado made a motion to go into Executive Session, seconded by Ms. Gonzalez. Roll Call Vote: Ms. Rosado, Mr. Pitt, Mr. Figueroa, Ms. Gonzalez, Chairperson Cano-Morales and Ms. Grace voted yes. The board went into executive session at 6:18 p.m.

The board returned from executive session at 6:40 p.m.

A motion to seal the minutes of the executive session was made by Ms. Rosado, seconded by Ms. Grace. All in favor.

XV. Next Scheduled Meeting: November 10, 2015 at 5:30PM at the Ella Risk School.

XVI. Adjournment – a motion was made by Ms. Gonzalez, seconded by Ms. Grace. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.