

Central Falls School District Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes – November 13, 2015
Ella Risk Conference Room, Lower Level
5:00 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 5:10 PM. A roll call was taken. Board Members Present: Sonia Grace, Ana Cecilia Rosado, Anna Cano-Morales, Stephanie Gonzalez and Ron Pitt.
Arriving after the meeting was called to order: Hugo Figueroa (6:06 p.m.)
Board Members Absent: Diosa Martinez (Excused)
- II. Pledge– The pledge was led by Chairperson Cano-Morales.
- III. Approval of the meeting minutes of October 13, 2015 - A motion to approve the minutes was made by Ms. Gonzalez, seconded by Ms. Rosado. 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: Kerri Moura, Veterans Elementary, 4th Grade ESL; Linda DeAngelis, Calcutt Middle School, ELA.

A motion was made by Mr. Pitt, seconded by Ms. Rosado. Motion approved.
- V. Approval of bills – Grants and General Budget – A motion to approve was made Mr. Pitt, seconded by Ms. Gonzalez. Motion approved.
- VI. Second Reading of District Narcon Policy – Ms. Marie Grist, Head Nurse for the Central Falls School District presented the Narcon Policy developed in conjunction with the RI Department of Health. Ms. Grist explained that the Narcan was available at both the high school and the middle school. She explained that the appropriate personnel in the schools have been trained to utilize the Narcan if ever needed. A motion

to approve the policy was made by Ms. Gonzalez and seconded by Mr. Pitt. Motion approved.

Ms. Grist then informed the board that the Central Falls Wellness Committee will meet again on December 7th at 3pm at Central Falls High School. The board thanked Ms. Grist for her work.

- VII. Presentation Topic: District SRP Data Presentation – Ms. Amy Burns the Director of Transformation for the District presented the board the School Reform Plans for Central Falls High School, Veterans Elementary School and Calcutt Middle School. These plans have been presented to RIDE and have been approved for the 2015-2016 school year. The board engaged with Ms. Burns on a conversation about the salient data points in the presentation.

Chairperson Cano-Morales left the meeting at 6:23 p.m. Vice Chair Sonia Grace chaired the rest of the meeting.

- VIII. Schools Building Committee Update: Superintendent Capellan informed the board that the District has received approval from the RI Department of Education School Building Construction Authority for Emergency Repairs at Veterans Elementary School. He also informed the board that the District had also received an approval to submit a “Necessity of School Construction Stage 1 proposal for the Fast Track Projects. Superintendent Capellan informed the board that the District will continue to work with the Schools Building Committee and the City of Central Falls to move these projects forward.

- IX. Public Comment: There was no public comment.

- X. Superintendent Comment – Superintendent Capellan asked Assistant Superintendent Michael St. Jean to speak about the upcoming release of the PARCC data. Mr. St. Jean provided the board with an overview of the PARCC data. Superintendent Capellan continued by informing the board of the work being done to conduct a review and assessment of the District’s curriculum, instruction and assessment current status. He will bring additional information about this process to a future meeting. Finally, Mr. Capellan informed the board about the work being done at

Calcutt Middle School to ensure a safe and orderly environment for students and staff. He discussed his plans to engage in conversations with the City of Central Falls and the Central Falls Police Department to contract with a School Resource Office (SRO).

- XI. Board Comment – There were no comments from the board.
- XII. 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.

There was no executive session.

- XIII. Next Scheduled Meeting: December 8, 2015 at 5:30PM at the Ella Risk School.
- XIV. Adjournment – a motion was made by Ms. Gonzalez, seconded by Ms. Rosado. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.