

NEW ENGLAND LABORERS'/CRANSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
CONSTRUCTION and CAREER ACADEMY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
SEPTEMBER 15, 2015
12:00 P.M. Executive Session
Public Session Immediately Following Executive Session
4 Sharpe Drive, Cranston, RI

MINUTES

This meeting of the New England Laborers' and Cranston Public Schools Construction and Career Academy was held on the above date in the conference room and called to order at 12:07 p.m. with the following members present: Chairman Traficante, Mr. Sabitoni, Mrs. Nota-Masse, Mr. Cardi and Mr. Santangelo.

It is noted that Mr. Wall, Dr. Leone, Mrs. McFarland, Mr. Rampone and Mr. Wall were absent with cause.

The meeting was called to order. It was moved by Mr. Santangelo; seconded by Mr. Cardi to convene to Executive Session pursuant to RI State Laws. The roll was called; all were in favor:

- A. R.I. State Laws PL 42-46-5(a)(1) Personnel:
 - a. Review of Administrator "A"

- B. PL 42-46-5(a)(2) Collective Bargaining and Litigation

Call to Order – Public Session. The roll was called; a quorum was present.

Chairman Traficante stated that no votes were taken in Executive Session. A motion was made to seal the Executive Session Minutes of September 15, 2015 by Mr. Sabitoni; seconded by Mr. Santangelo. The roll was called; all were in favor.

A motion was made to accept the minutes of the July 21, 2015 meeting by Mr. Cardi; seconded by Mr. Sabitoni. The roll was called; all were in favor.

Public Acknowledgements/Communications - None

Chairperson's Communications

Chairperson Traficante stated –This coming Friday the NEL/CPS Construction students will participate in a community project at Hugh B. Bain. It is a construction project involving the replacement of the front walk of the school.

Board Members Communications - None

Executive Director’s Communications

Student Performance

Mr. Curran stated – We have no news on this at this time. PARCC results have not been released yet so we do not have any information to give you about that yet.

We just started the STAR testing so we are testing our students in Math and Reading. Based on those results, we will be making some changes to their schedules. At the next meeting we will give you further information on both.

Staffing Update

I have nothing new since the last meeting. Our staffing is in place. We do have one change in our agenda. The person that you approved in August took another job and we ended up hiring another person.

Enrollment

Ms. Ferris provided the Board with an update on Enrollment. **See attached Handout A for additional information.**

Budget

Ms. Corcelli presented the Board with the current Operating Budge. **See attached Handout B for additional information.**

A motion to accept the Executive Directors report was made by Mr. Santangelo; seconded by Mr. Sabitoni. The roll was called; all were in favor.

Public Hearing

- a. Students (agenda/non-agenda matters)
- b. Members of the Public (agenda matters only)

Consent Calendar/Consent Agenda - None

Action Calendar/Action Agenda

RESOLUTIONS

Personnel

No. 09-01-15 **RESOLVED**, that at the recommendation of the Chairperson of the Board of Directors, that the 3-year employment contract for Dennis Curran be approved. **(See Fiscal Impact Analysis attached)**

A motion was made to approve by Mr. Sabitoni; seconded by Mr. Cardi.
Discussion followed. The roll was called; all were in favor.

No. 09-02-15 **RESOLVED**, that at the recommendation of the Executive Director the following certified personnel be appointed for the 2015-2016 school year:

Justin Cahoone, Step 2
Education...RIC, BS
Experience...South Kingstown School Department
Certification....Health & Physical Education K-12
Assignment... NEL\CPS Charter .4 FTE
Effective date...September 1, 2015
Authorization...Replacement
Fiscal Note...40235174 51110

A motion was made to approve by Ms. Nota-Masse; seconded by Mr. Santangelo.
Discussion followed. The roll was called; all were in favor.

Business

No. 09-03-15 **RESOLVED**, that at the recommendation of the Executive Director, the following purchase be approved:

Welding Equipment in the amount of \$4,861.34
Number of bids issued 3
Number of bids received 2

A motion was made to approve by Mr. Sabitoni; seconded by Ms. Nota-Masse.
Discussion followed. The roll was called; all were in favor.

No. 09-04-15 **RESOLVED**, that at the recommendation of the Executive Director, the following purchase be approved:

Pipe Fusion Equipment in the amount of \$3,235.00
Number of bids issued 3
Number of bids received 1

**A motion was made to approve by Ms. Nota-Masse; seconded by Mr. Sabitoni
Discussion followed. The roll was called; all were in favor.**

Policy and Program

No. 09-05-15 **RESOLVED**, that at the recommendation of the Executive Director, the following meeting schedule be approved for the next calendar year:

February 23, 2016
April 26, 2016
June 21, 2016
August 16, 2016
October 18, 2016
December 20, 2016

**A motion was made to approve by Mr. Cardi; seconded by Ms. Nota-Masse.
Discussion followed. The roll was called; all were in favor.**

Public Hearings on Non-Agenda Items - None

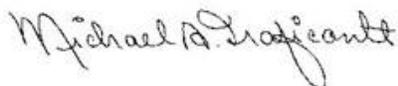
Announcement of Future Meeting – October 20, 2015

Adjournment

**There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Cardi;
seconded by Mr. Sabitoni. All were in favor.**

The meeting adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael A. Traficante Chairperson

Administrator's Compensation Schedule

**Administrator's Compensation
Schedule
Fiscal Year 2015-2016**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>ANN SALARY</u>	<u>HEALT H</u>	<u>DENTA L</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>PENSION</u>	<u>SURV BEN</u>	<u>OASDI</u>	<u>MEDICAR E</u>	<u>TOTAL Fringe</u>	<u>Sal & Fringe</u>
Curran, Dennis	Director	Charter	108,012.00	13893	1005	25	16,126	96	0	1566	32,711	140,723

**Administrator's Compensation
Schedule
Fiscal Year 2016-
2017**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>ANN SALARY</u>	<u>HEALT H</u>	<u>DENTA L</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>PENSION</u>	<u>SURV BEN</u>	<u>OASDI</u>	<u>MEDICAR E</u>	<u>TOTAL Fringe</u>	<u>Sal & Fringe</u>
Curran, Dennis	Director	Charter	108,012.00	14310	1035	25	17,044	96	0	1566.17	34,076.47	142,088

**Administrator's Compensation
Schedule
Fiscal Year 2017-
2018**

<u>NAME</u>	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>ANN SALARY</u>	<u>HEALT H</u>	<u>DENTA L</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>PENSION</u>	<u>SURV BEN</u>	<u>OASDI</u>	<u>MEDICAR E</u>	<u>TOTAL Fringe</u>	<u>Sal & Fringe</u>
Curran, Dennis	Director	Charter	108,012.00	14310	1035	25	17,304	96	0	1566.17	34,335.70	142,348



Board of Directors Meeting Report Out

HANDOUT A

Date of Board of Directors Meeting:	September 15, 2015
Department/Committee Reporting:	Enrollment
Author:	Carolyn Ferris
Approved By (Executive Director):	

<p>Background/ Context:</p> <p>As we begin the school year, enrollment has stabilized and we have started the year with healthy numbers. We have increased enrollment by 18% over last year at this time.</p> <p><u>Enrollment for 2015-16 to Date:</u> We currently have 173 students with the following enrollment breakdown: <u>Breakdown per Grade:</u> 9th grade 47 10th grade 46 11th grade 39 12th grade 42 We currently have a waitlist for 9th grade.</p> <p><u>Breakdown per District/Out of District:</u> Cranston 84 Out of District 89</p>	<p>Key issues for consideration:</p> <p>For enrollment purposes, we have two goals over the next two years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historically the school’s mobility index has been very high. It is our goal to stabilize the mobility index. • It is our goal to have a true lottery by March of the 2016-17 school year. <hr style="border: 0.5px solid black;"/> <p>Recommendation to the Board: Attend Open Houses if you can!</p>
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Board of Directors Meeting Report Out

HANDOUT B

Date of Board of Directors Meeting:	September 15, 2015
Department/Committee Reporting:	Financial Development
Author:	C. Corcelli
Approved By (Executive Director):	

<p>Background/ Context:</p> <p>Operating Budget as of 8/31/2015</p> <p>Revenue:</p> <p>FY 2016 monthly state aid of slightly over \$95K has been received timely, per the Education Equity and Property Tax Relief Act, Section 16-7.2-9.</p> <p>Discussion with RIDE to increase aid based on successful enrollment is underway.</p> <p>QTR 1 tuitions were mailed to 13 out-of-district communities.</p> <p>Expenditures:</p> <p>Operating expenses are typical for QTR1 end. Contractual obligations for teachers this school year will be 2%. Improvements, upgrades, and repairs to classrooms conducted during the summer also contributed to QTR1 expenses. Compared to last year, expenditures in Purchased Services and Classroom Supplies are higher due to the renewal cost of Agile Mind math program and books.</p>
<p>Key issues for consideration:</p> <p>Financial Development Opportunities:</p> <p>Workforce Solutions of Providence/Cranston completed the summer youth grant program with a successful audit. OSHA, Work Readiness and Work Completion certificates were awarded to 18 students.</p> <p>In process – State legislative grant renewal</p> <p>In process - GWB and CCRI/RI Work Immersion Program for College Students</p>
<p>Recommendation to the Board:</p> <p>Continue to support funding formula for charter schools through any means available.</p> <p>Assist in recruiting efforts through word-of-mouth to various groups.</p>