

NEWPORT COUNTY REGIONAL SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM
Serving the Towns of Little Compton, Portsmouth, Middletown,
Tiverton

Board of Superintendents Meeting

Wednesday, June 18, 2014

9:00 a.m. – Regular Meeting

Held at Oliphant Administration

Superintendents Present: Mr. W. Rearick, Tiverton Public Schools

Mrs. R. Kraeger, Middletown Public Schools

Mrs. K. Crowley, Little Compton Public Schools

**Also Present: Mr. David Croston, Chairperson, Portsmouth School
Committee**

Dr. R. Santa, Director, Newport County Regional, NCR

Ms. S. Kraeger, Asst. Director, Newport County Regional, NCR

Mrs. C. Andrade, Asst. Director, Newport County Regional, NCR

Mrs. G. Augustus, Business Mgr., NCR

Mrs. C. Silvia, Admin. Asst, NCR

Atty. N. Galvin

The meeting was called to order at 9:02a.m. by Mr. Rearick.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Regional Board of Superintendents may adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to R.I. Law

42-46-5, Exceptions (a) (1) Personnel Matters, (a) (2) Collective Bargaining and/or Litigation

MOTION: 1) Mr. D. Croston, 2) Mrs. K. Crowley - Role call unanimous. That the Board of Superintendents approves the motion to move into Executive Session 9:02 a.m.

MOTION: 1) Mrs. R. Kraeger, 2) Mr. D. Croston – Role call unanimous. That the Board of Superintendents approves the motion to adjourn from Executive Session at 9:44 a.m. No Vote was taken.

MOTION: 1) Mrs. R. Kraeger, 2) Mr. D. Croston – Role call unanimous. That the Board of Superintendents approves the motion to seal the minutes of the Executive Session at 9:45 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes of the June 11, 2014 Minutes.

MOTION: 1) Mr. David Croston, 2) Mrs. Kraeger To approve the minutes of the June 11, 2014.

Unanimous Vote.

III. CORRESPONDENCE

- Memorandum from Superintendent Barbara McGann, Portsmouth**

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Recommendations on Personnel

A. Resignations

1. Deborah Circosta – Special Educator – Gaudet Middle School – Resignation

MOTION: 1) Mrs. R. Kraeger, 2) Mrs. K. Crowley That the Board of Superintendents accepts the

above named personnel's letter of resignation. Unanimous Vote

2. Jean O'Donnell-Northup – Teacher Assistant – Melville School – Resignation

MOTION: 1) Mrs. R. Kraeger, 2) Mr. D. Croston That the Board of Superintendents accepts the

above named personnel's letter of resignation. Unanimous

Vote

B. Recommendations - Certified

1. Special Education Coordinators

a. Charity Shea – Portsmouth High School

b. Mary Surber – Portsmouth Middle School

c. Deidre Gauch – Gaudet Middle School

MOTION: 1) Mr. D. Croston, 2. Mrs. R. Kraeger 2) That the Board of Superintendents approves the above

named certified personnel's as Special Education Coordinators as presented for the 2014-2015 school year . Unanimous Vote

C. Administrator's Contracts – Vote Tabled to July meeting.

D. Support Staff Contracts - Tabled

E. Discussion and/or Action Items

1. Melissa Rawson – Regional Speech Pathologist – Increase to F/T – Mrs. Rawson is interested in increasing her position from .6 to full time.

2. Melissa Kleinknecht – Regional Speech Pathologist – Increase to F/T – Mrs. Kleinknecht is interested in increasing her position from .8 to full time.

3. Regional Social Worker - .6

Dr. Santa shared with the Board the need to hire an additional .6 Regional Social Worker.

The Board requested that Dr. Santa bring back rationale as to the reasoning to increase the Speech Pathologists to full time status as well as the hiring of an additional .6 Regional Social Worker.

4. Pre-School Program – Not discussed.

5. Intensive Kindergarten Program

6. Behavior Support Program

7. Transition Program

Dr. Santa shared with the Board data she has collected which included comparison of costs for creating a Transition Program vs. sending the students out of district and cost savings. Projected costs for the Transition Program would be 1 Teacher, 2 Teacher Aides, 1 RHD staff member.

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MOTION: 1) Mr. D. Croston, 2) Mrs. K. Crowley - Role call unanimous. That the Board of Superintendents approves the motion to move into Executive Session 10:14 a.m.

MOTION: 1) Mrs. R. Kraeger, 2) Mr. D. Croston – Role call unanimous. That the Board of Superintendents approves the motion to adjourn from Executive Session at 11:54 a.m. No Vote was taken.

MOTION: 1) Mrs. R. Kraeger, 2) Mr. D. Croston – Role call unanimous. That the Board of Superintendents approves the motion to seal the minutes of the Executive Session at 11:55 a.m.

ADJOURN FROM MEETING

MOTION: 1) Mr. W. Rearick 2) Mrs. R. Kraeger. To adjourn from the Board of Superintendent’s Meeting, at 11:56 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Rachel Santa, Director _____ Coleen Silvia,
Clerk _____**