

Student Advisory Council

Meeting

Monday, June 1, 2015

4:00 p.m.

Room 260

80 Washington Street, Providence, RI 02903

MINUTES

4:00 p.m.	Acceptance of the Agenda Election of Officers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Chair: Colby Anderson● Vice Chair: Lexus Fernandez● Secretary: Vivian Tian
5:15 p.m.	Chair Anderson suggests that Student Advisory Council members use Google Drive for future communication and document sharing.
5:16 p.m.	Chair Anderson begins a discussion of the Draft Bylaws and opens the floor to comments from members on committee ideas. Ideas of committees to form: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● school safety● standardized testing● culture and arts● foreign languages● dress code● graduation requirements● Common Core● educational gaps among communities● school infrastructure ***Members: Please further examine the Draft Bylaws for the next meeting and come prepared with suggestions for improvement. Also continue to develop ideas for committees.

5:19 p.m.	<p>Floor opens to questions from members concerning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● the schedule. Answer: we will develop a meeting schedule, based on a poll, making sure to take sports and busyness into account. ● summer meetings. Chair Anderson suggests meetings one per month in the summer.
5:24 p.m.	<p>Poll is taken among council members on opinions on most pressing issues in education.</p> <p>Largest issues in RI education, arranged in order of support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Standardized Testing (Chariho, Cranston West, North Kingstown, Paul Cuffee, Johnston, Ponaganset, West Warwick, Cumberland, Cranston East, South Kingstown) ● Graduation Requirements (Central HS, EPHS, PCTA, Village Green, Coventry, Paul Cuffee) ● Substance Abuse (general agreement) ● Transportation (Green School, E-Cubed Academy, East Providence) ● Common Core (Westerly, TAPA, MET) ● English as a Second Language (Alvarez) ● School Safety (Highlander) ● Lack of Funding for the Arts (Burrillville) ● Faculty Diversity (BVP) ● Attendance (Juanita Sanchez) ● Cybersecurity (BVP) ● Course Options (Block Island) ● Lunch <p>Topics will be discussed in further depth during the next meeting.</p>
5:32 p.m.	Meeting adjourned.