



MINUTES

Providence School Board Workshop Meeting
PCTA Auditorium
41 Fricker Street, Providence, RI 02903

March 27, 2019

CONVENE MEETING

1. Call to Order – President Hemond called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members Present: Nicholas Hemond, Travis Escobar, Diagneris Garcia, Robert Gondola, Lorraine Lalli, Nina Pande, Mark Santow, and Kinzel Thomas.

Board Member Muyideen Ibiyemi was not present.

APPROVE AGENDA

2. Approve Agenda
A motion was made to amend the agenda to add the Superintendent's comments.
MSV – Pande, Santow (8-0) Motion Approved

A motion was made to approve the agenda as amended.

MSV- Pande, Santow (8-0) Motion Approved

Superintendent's Comments – Superintendent Maher briefed members of the community on the memorandum of agreement between Times² Academy and PPSD, staffing and management.

PUBLIC COMMENT

3. Public Comment

The following individuals conveyed their message to the Board in relation to consolidation, and management at Times²: Erin Conley, Washawn Jones, Susan Unger, Anthony Simmas, Michael Shepard, Jen Rainone, Maureen Farrell, Kenneth McDaniel, Charles Johnson, Maribeth Calabro, and Lesley Miller.

SCHOOL BOARD COMMENTS

4. School Board Comments – There were no school board comments other than in relation to item number 15.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Personnel Actions
6. Retirements and Resignations

7. Home School Candidate (Denial)

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda

MSV – Gondola, Pande (8-0) Motion Approved

REPORT ON CONTRACTS

8. Teach for America (Recruitment and Development of District Staff)
9. Transportation Advisory Services (School Bus RFP Consultants)
10. Explore Learning
11. 2019 YMCA summer contract summary
12. Inspiring Minds 2019 Summer Learning Provider
13. 2019 Believe to Achieve Summer Learning
14. 2019 Summer Learning- Generation Teach

A motion was made to approve items number eight to 14 as one vote

MSV – Pande, Thomas (8-0) Motion Approved

ACTION ITEMS

15. Times² Special Discussion on proposed consolidation and terms of charter – Presentation by Times² and a discussion between the Board and Times² leaders, President Maxford Foster, and Dr. Rudolph Moseley. No vote was taken.

Vice President Pande exited the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

16. Executive Session pursuant to Rhode Island General Law §42-46-5 (a)(2)—Litigation, and §42-46-5(a)(1)—Personnel

A motion was made to enter into Executive Session pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5 (a)(2)—Litigation. Personnel matter was removed.

MSV – Santow, Thomas – Motion Approved (7-0) on a roll call vote: Escobar, Garcia, Santow, Gondola, Hemond, Lalli and Thomas.

REPORT ON EXECUTIVE SESSION VOTES

17. Report on Executive Session Votes- There were three (3) votes taken

A motion was made to issue a notice to Times² of breach of the management agreement between Times² and PPSD.

MSV – Lalli, Thomas (7- 0) Motion Approved

A motion was made to seal the minutes in executive session

MSV – Lalli, Thomas (7-0) Motion Approved

A motion was made to come out of executive session

MSV- Lalli, Thomas (7-0) Motion Approved

A motion was made to seal the minutes in public session

MSV – Lalli, Thomas (7-0) Motion Approved

ADJOURN

18. Adjourn Meeting

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:11 p.m.

MSV- Lalli, Thomas (7-0) Motion Approved