



MINUTES

**Providence School Board Business Meeting
797 Westminster Street
Providence, RI 02903**

April 24, 2019

CONVENE MEETING

1. Call to Order – Acting Chair Vice President Pande called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members Present: Travis Escobar, Diagneris Garcia, Robert Gondola, Muyideen Ibiyemi, Lorraine Lalli, Nina Pande, and Kinzel Thomas.

President Nicholas Hemond was not present.

Board Member Mark Santow arrived at 7:32 p.m.

APPROVE AGENDA

2. Approve Agenda

A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

3. Public Comment

Yamil Rivas- a senior at Classical High School shared the effectiveness of the Keys For Learning.

The following individuals gave remarks to the Board in relation to school librarians' consolidation: Jonathan Ryder, Jennie Cerra, Sheila Conway, Pam Laurenzo, Peter Quesnel, Natasha White, Rachel Victoria, and Maribeth Calabro

Michelle Varin, and a number of students at Central, Classical, Mount Pleasant and Hope high schools submitted their written comments to the Board in relation to librarians' consolidation.

SCHOOL BOARD COMMENTS

4. School Board Comments

Pande responded to those who has spoken in support of the school librarians. She stated this is a consolidation, not lay off. She has encouraged the community to stay for item 15, the proposed PPSD Fiscal Year 2019-2020 budget.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Approval of Minutes- February 27th, March 13th, and March 27th, 2019
6. Retirements and Resignations
7. Personnel Actions

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda

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

REPORT ON CONTRACTS

8. Mental Health First Aid Training
A motion was made to approve item number eight
MSV – Thomas, Ibiyemi (7-0) Motion Approved
9. Believe to Achieve High School Summer Learning
A motion was made to continue item number nine
MSV – Thomas, Gondola (7-0) Motion Approved
10. College Visions
A motion was made to approve item number 10
MSV – Thomas, Ibiyemi (7-0) Motion Approved

POLICY & PLANNING

11. Proposed Recodification of School Board Policy Manual
This matter was informational only; no vote was taken
12. Employee Manual
This matter was informational only; no vote was taken

ACTION ITEMS

13. Management Oversight Calendar (Revision) 2019-2020
A motion was made to approve item number 13
MSV – Lalli, Thomas (7-0) Motion Approved
14. Resolution Encouraging Residents to Participate in Census 2020
A motion was made to approve item number 14
MSV – Thomas, Escobar (7-0) Motion Approved

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BUDGET REVIEW

15. Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Proposed Budget and 2019-2020 Proposed Appropriation Ordinance
A motion was made to approve item number 15
MSV – Santow, Thomas (8-0) Motion Approved

PRESENTATIONS

16. Annual Curriculum and Instruction Presentation - Cameron Berube , Executive Director of Teaching & Learning, and team

EXECUTIVE SESSION

17. Executive Session pursuant to Rhode Island General Law §42-46-5(a)(1)-- Personnel; §42-46-5(a)(1)--Superintendent Search; and §42-46-5 (a)(2)—Litigation

**A motion was made to enter into Executive Session pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5 (a)(2)—
Litigation. Personnel, and Superintendent Search were removed.
MSV – Lalli, Thomas – Motion Approved (8-0) on a roll call vote: Escobar, Garcia, Gondola,
Ibiyemi, Lalli, Pande, Santow and Thomas.**

REPORT ON EXECUTIVE SESSION VOTES

18. Report on Executive Session Votes- There were two (2) votes taken

**A motion was made to seal the minutes in executive session
MSV – Lalli, Thomas (8-0) Motion Approved**

**A motion was made to come out of executive session
MSV- Lalli, Thomas (8-0) Motion Approved**

**A motion was made to seal the minutes in public session
MSV – Lalli, Thomas (8-0) Motion Approved**

ADJOURN

19. Adjourn Meeting

**A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 p.m.
MSV- Lalli, Thomas (8-0) Motion Approved**