



## MINUTES

### Providence School Board Regular Meeting

Pursuant to Executive Order 20-25 issued by the Governor of Rhode Island, the Providence School Board held this meeting remotely. A recording is available on the Providence School Board YouTube channel at [bit.ly/pvdschoolboard](https://bit.ly/pvdschoolboard)

**April 29, 2020**

#### CONVENE MEETING

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

Roll Call--Board Members Present: Nicholas Hemond, Nina Pande, Kinzel Thomas, Muyideen Ibiyemi, Travis Escobar, Diagneris Garcia, and Mark Santow.

2. Superintendent's Comments

Superintendent Peters expressed his appreciation to teachers, staff and administrators for their support during this pandemic. He gave a special thanks to students and families for their efforts. He applauded Commissioner Infante-Green and Governor Raimondo for their leadership. He said that his heart goes to the seniors regarding their not being able to hold graduation ceremonies. He also addressed the reorganization of the central office.

#### APPROVE AGENDA

3. Approve Agenda

**A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented.**

**MSV – Pande, Escobar (7-0) MOTION APPROVED**

#### SCHOOL BOARD COMMENTS

4. School Board Comments – There were no school board comments

#### REPORT ON CONTRACTS

5. Asphalt removal and warning track replacement
6. BESA Equipment

**A motion was made to approve items 5 and 6 as one vote**

**MSV – Pande, Ibiyemi (7-0) MOTION APPROVED**

7. First Student Extension

**A motion was made to approve item 7 as presented**

**MSV – Pande, Ibiyemi (7-0) MOTION APPROVED**

8. 2020 Summer Learning: Believe to Achieve
9. 2020 Summer Learning: Boys & Girls Club of Providence
10. Summer Learning 2020: College Visions

11. 2020 Summer Learning: Generation Teach
12. Summer Learning 2020: Inspiring Minds  
**A motion was made to approve items 8 to 12 contingent upon funding, and contingent upon alternative plans for summer remote learning should it be necessary due to COVID0-19.  
MSV – Pande, Santow, Ibiyemi (7-0) MOTION APPROVED**
13. Summer Learning 2020: Rhode Island College  
**A motion was made to approve item 13 contingent upon funding, and contingent upon alternative plans for summer remote learning should it be necessary due to COVID0-19.  
MSV – Pande, Ibiyemi (6-0) MOTION APPROVED  
ABSTENSIONS -- Escobar**
14. Summer Learning 2020: YMCA of Greater Providence (K-8)
15. Summer Learning 2020: YMCA of Greater Providence (9-12)
16. Summer Learning 2020: New Urban Arts  
**A motion was made to approve items 14 to 16 contingent upon funding, and contingent upon alternative plans for the summer remote learning should there be needed for social distancing due to COVID 19.  
MSV – Pande, Ibiyemi (7-0) MOTION APPROVED**

#### PRESENTATIONS

17. Financial Overview and Central Office Restructuring - Presented by Superintendent Harrison Peters
18. Distance Learning Update – Presented by Thomas Flanagan

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

19. Executive Session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws. Sec. 42-46-5(a)(1) – Personnel  
**A motion was made to enter into Executive Session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws. Sec. 42-46-5(a)(1) – Personnel**

**MSV – Escobar, Pande - MOTION APPROVED (6-0) on a roll call vote: Escobar, Garcia, Santow, Hemond, Pande and Thomas**

*Mr. Ibiyemi left the meeting*

#### REPORT ON EXECUTIVE SESSION

20. **Report on Executive Session** -There were 12 votes taken
  1. **A motion was made to uphold the Superintendent’s recommendation related to personnel.  
MSV – Escobar, Santow - MOTION APPROVED (6-0)**
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MSV – Escobar, Santow - MOTION APPROVED (6-0)**
11. **A motion was made to seal the minutes  
MSV – Escobar, Santow - MOTION APPROVED (6-0)**
12. **A motion was made to come out of Executive Session  
MSV- Escobar, Santow (6-0) MOTION APPROVED**

**A motion was made to seal the minutes in public session  
MSV – Escobar, Santow (6-0) MOTION APPROVED**

#### **ADJOURN**

21. **Adjourn Meeting**

**A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:11 p.m.  
MSV- Thomas, Santow (6-0) MOTION APPROVED**