

Newport School Committee

Special Meeting – June 4, 2026

Newport Area Career & Technical Center, 109 Old Fort Road, Newport, RI

Chair Dring called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Roll Call: James Dring, Rebecca Bolan, Sandra Flowers Ph.D., Elizabeth Cullen, Robert Leary, Robert Power, Ed.D., Stephanie Winslow,

School Department: Superintendent Colleen Jermain, Ed.D.,

Appointment of Interim Superintendent

Mrs. Bolan made a motion, seconded by Dr. Power to appoint Dr. Peter Sanchioni to the position of Interim Superintendent and to approve his contract.

Discussion followed wherein Mrs. Cullen noted she does not support the appointment due to the process that was followed. Ms. Winslow and Mrs. Bolan disagreed and noted that there will be a different process for the appointment of a permanent Superintendent.

Chair Dring called for a vote. The motion passed (6-1) with Mrs. Cullen opposed.

Mrs. Bolan made a motion, seconded by Ms. Winslow, to adjourn the meeting at 5:37 pm. The motion passed (7-0).