
**EAST PROVIDENCE SPECIAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
OPEN SESSION – August 18, 2020**

The East Providence School Committee met for a virtual special meeting on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Members present were Charles Tsonos, Chair, Jessica Beauchaine, Vice Chair, Karen Oliveira, Clerk, Anthony Ferreira and Joel Monteiro. Also present were Superintendent Kathryn Crowley, Sandra Forand, Celeste Bowler, Craig Enos, Tony Feola, Diana Clarkin, Leslie Anderson and Ben Russell.

Call to Order – Open Session

The Committee continued their meeting at 6:53 p.m. after the Emergency meeting that was scheduled for 5:30 p.m.

Budget Workshop II

Mr. Enos highlighted the school budget for FY2021. He went through each series pointing out increases and reductions on line items.

51000 Series – Salaries: Reduction of over \$2 mil due to COVID-19 compared to last year

52000 Series – Benefits: Increase of \$423,623 from last year

53000 Series – Prof/Tech Services: Increase of \$193,274 from last year

54000 Series – Property Services: Increase of \$310,500 from last year

55000 Series – Other Services: Increase of \$1,329,945 from last year

56000 Series – Supplies: Increase of \$436,420 from last year

57000 Series – Property: Reduction of \$377,858 from last year

58000 Series – Miscellaneous: Reduction of \$7,980 from last year

The FY2021 Local Increase Request is \$284,574

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Public Comments – There were four public comments regarding the reopening of schools from Stephanie Meuse, Peter Meuse, Christine and George Gagnon and Holly Farias. There was one public comment about the Metacomet Redevelopment project.

Adjournment

The Committee will meet to vote on the FY2021 school budget and discuss the reopening of schools at the next meeting on August 25, 2020 at 6 p.m.

Ms. Beauchaine announced that Bridgepoint Church is still having their school supplies drive via a drive-thru on August 25, 26 & 27 from 5-7 p.m. at 850 Waterman Avenue in East Providence. They are looking for donations and can be reached at 401-270-6069.

Tuesday, August 25: Kent Heights, Myron J. Francis & Waddington Elementary Schools

Wednesday, August 26: Whiteknact and Hennessey Elementary Schools

Thursday, August 27: Orlo Avenue and Silver Spring Elementary Schools

Motion made by Ms. Beauchaine, seconded by Ms. Oliveira and carried by unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Corsi
Administrative Assistant

Karen Oliveira, Clerk