
**EAST PROVIDENCE SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
OPEN SESSION – June 22, 2021**

I. Call to Order – Open Session

The East Providence School Committee met for a meeting on Tuesday, June 22, 2021 at 6:00 pm at East Providence City Hall Council Chambers. Mr. Monteiro called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Members present were Joel Monteiro, Chair, Jessica Beauchaine, Vice Chair, Max Brandle, Clerk, Jenni Azanero and Charles Tsonos. Superintendent Kathryn Crowley was also present. The Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence were observed.

II. Executive Session

Motion by Mr. Tsonos, seconded by Ms. Azanero and carried unanimously to move into Executive Session for the purpose of: Discussion re: Administrators', Directors' and Contractual Employees' Contract pursuant to R.I. Gen Laws §42-46-5(a)(1); and Consider & Vote on Motion to Adjourn and Convene into Public Session. Appropriate disclosure was made by the Chair concerning compliance with RIGL 42-46-(5)(a)(1) indicating that any person to be discussed had been appropriately notified in advance in writing and given the opportunity to have the discussion held in public session. No request had been made.

III. Re-Convene in Open Session

The Committee reconvened in public session at 8:11 p.m. The Chair reported that no votes were taken in executive session, only to return to public session which passed 5-0. Motion by Ms. Beauchaine, seconded by Mr. Brandle and carried by unanimous consent to seal the minutes.

IV. Communications/Correspondence

Superintendent Crowley announced the new appointments for next school year: Nicholas Ciringione, Kindergarten Teacher at Waddington, effective 2021-2022 school year; Elizabeth Patty, Science/Biology Teacher at EPHS, effective 2021-2022 school year; Shelby Marum, Art Teacher at Kent Heights and Hennessey Schools, effective 2021-2022 school year; Michael Refici, Math Teacher at EPHS, effective 2021-2022 school year; Trey Kassed, English Teacher at EPHS, effective 2021-2022 school year; Richard Small, Dean of Students at EPHS, effective 2021-2022 school year; Amy Watson, Dean of Students at Whiteknact, effective 2021-2022 school year; and Alissa Chamberland, Dean of Students at Waddington, effective 2021-2022 school year.

V. Director of Human Resources Report

Resignations

Superintendent Crowley announced the resignations as follows: Amanda Lord, Paraprofessional at EPHS, effective end of the 2020-2021 school year; and Richard Small, Physical Education Department Head, effective June 21, 2021.

Motion by Mr. Tsonos, seconded by Ms. Azanero and carried by unanimous consent to approve the resignations as submitted.

Retirements

Superintendent Crowley announced the retirements as follows: Rebekah Gendron, Director of Instructional Technology & Data, effective 7/1/2021.

Motion by Mr. Tsonos, seconded by Ms. Azanero and carried by unanimous consent to accept the retirement as submitted.

Leave of Absences - None

Non-Renewals

Superintendent Crowley announced the non-renewals as follows: Catherine Rickert, Career & Tech Outreach Coordinator, effective 7/1/2021.

Motion by Mr. Tsonos, seconded by Ms. Azanero and carried by unanimous consent to approve the non-renewal as submitted.

Recalls

Superintendent Crowley announced the recalls as follows: Terrance Lynch, Physical Education Teacher at EPHS, effective 2021-2022 school year; and Nicholas Karalekas, Grade 4 Teacher at Waddington, effective 2021-2022 school year.

Motion by Mr. Tsonos, seconded by Ms. Azanero and carried by unanimous consent to approve the recalls as submitted.

VI. Action Items

1. Administrators', Directors' & Contractual Employees' Contracts

Motion by Mr. Tsonos, seconded by Ms. Azanero and carried by unanimous consent to approve the administrators', directors' and contractual employees' contracts as submitted with adjustments discussed in executive session. Ms. Beauchaine didn't agree on one contract. The stipend for the Administrative Assistant to the School Committee to be discussed.

2. Entrance Projects at Silver Spring & Hennessey Schools

Motion by Ms. Azanero, seconded by Ms. Beauchaine and carried by unanimous consent to approve the entrance projects at Silver Spring and Hennessey Elementary Schools as submitted. The approval is part of the submission process for the RI School Building Authority and RIDE.

Public Comments – There were no public comments.

VII. Announcements

Mr. Monteiro announced that the City of East Providence will receive 74.37% reimbursement on the building project. It was initially 54.3%. The City will be responsible for 88% of \$189,500,000. Congrats to the district's administration and the hired team members. Thank you to the Building Committee members for their countless hours of work. Mr. Tsonos stated 80% of the voters in the state approved the referendum.

The Rhode Island Department of Education will tour the new high school building on Thursday, June 24. The high school teachers will get familiar with the new building on August 30 & 31. A rotating schedule will be set up for the students. The convocation may be outside this year at Pierce Field or the high school football field.

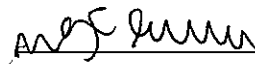
VIII. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Tsonos, seconded by Ms. Beauchaine and carried by unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon Corsi
Executive Administrative Assistant



Max Brandle
School Committee Clerk