

Pawtucket School Committee Work Session
Jenks/JMW Complex for the Performance and Visual Arts Media Center
350 Division Street, Pawtucket, Rhode Island 02860
Thursday, June 27, 2024 @ 6:00 PM
Minutes

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- I. Open Call-Public Session
Meeting will come to order

The Chairman Mr. Charbonneau called the work session to order at 6:00 PM

- a. Roll call

Ms. Bonollo-here; Ms. Carney-absent; Mr. Chellel-here; Ms. Dube-absent; Ms. Fernandes-here; Ms. Grant-here; Mr. Charbonneau-here

Also, in attendance was Mrs. Patricia Royal, Superintendent of Schools; Mrs. Lisa Benedetti-Ramzi, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. Lahna Tate, Chief of Assessment, Accountability and Research; Mrs. Krystal Lofton, Chief of Human Resources and Talent; Mr. Kris Silva, Assistant Director of Facilities; Mr. William J. Conley, Jr., Legal Counsel; Ms. Jiana Daikh, Ms. Deborah Faith, Ms. Megan

Havrilla, Colliers Project Leaders; Mr. Robert Stack, Torrado Architects; Mr. Jonathan Levi, Jonathan Levi Architects; and Mr. Gordon Zaniol, Shawmut Design and Construction.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

The Chairman Mr. Charbonneau led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Charbonneau asked the members if there was any objection to move recognition before public participation. No one objected.

Mrs. Royal commented ladies and gentlemen, esteemed guest, coaches and athletes, with great pride and joy, we gather here today to recognize and celebrate the incredible achievement of the Tolman/Shea Boys' Volleyball Co-op Varsity Team. Their hard work, dedication, and exceptional talent have led them to a remarkable victory in the Rhode Island Interscholastic League Division III State Championship.

Winning a state championship is no small feat. It requires skill, teamwork, perseverance, and an unwavering commitment to excellence. Throughout the season, this team has demonstrated all of these qualities and more. They have faced challenges head-on, supported each other through every match, and consistently strived to be the best.

Their journey to the championship has been nothing short of inspiring. From the first serve of the season to the final point of the championship match, they have shown us what it means to play with heart and determination. Each player has contributed their unique strengths, and together, they have created a powerhouse team that has made us all proud.

I would like to extend heartfelt congratulations to every team member, the coaches, and the support staff who have played a vital role in this success. Your hard work and dedication have paid off, and your victory is well-deserved.

To the Tolman/Shea Boys' Volleyball Co-op Varsity Team, you have set a high standard for excellence and sportsmanship. You have shown us teamwork's true meaning and perseverance's rewards. As you celebrate this outstanding achievement, know that your community stands behind you, cheering you on and looking forward to your future successes.

Once again, congratulations on winning the Rhode Island Interscholastic League Division III State Championship! You have made us all incredibly proud. Thank you.

Superintendent Royal presented the Tolman/Shea Boys' Volleyball Co-op Varsity Team with certificates.

II. Public Participation

Comments from the public are invited at this time. Persons wishing to speak must sign in with the Committee Chair before speaking prior to the commencement of the meeting. The Committee is precluded from acting on items raised by Public Comment which are not already on the agenda. Public comment will be included in the minutes of the meeting.

Ms. Shara Plynton and Ms. Katherine Seals, Social Worker concerns. Ms. Seals commented good evening school committee members and school district leaders. I have working as a social worker at Tolman and tonight I am here with Shara Plynton my counterpart from Shea. We're here in support of social workers staffing. We have a net loss of five (5) social workers and we're told it's coming down to the budget. This past Monday a new Administrator position was posted. Behind you is a list from the Rhode Island Department of Education (RIDE) website. The 2023-2024 school year lists each school and population and special education population. What is of great concern is the social worker allocation at each school. There will be 86 students on my caseload of which 74 have an IEP. Students require counseling services and we're also required to address emergency situations that arise daily, including suicide assessments. It will be impossible for me to provide services required in an IEP. The School Department is opening themselves up to legal ramifications. The numbers speak for themselves. JMW versus Tolman is inequitable and unfair to make an ill-advised decision is unsafe and unacceptable. We're asking for leadership to reconsider and reallocate according to equity.

Ms. Plynton commented I'd like to thank all the folks on the School Committee and educators in this room. I'm aware of all the work you do to support us to do our jobs. We're advocating for two main changes. Bring back the social workers not recalled and look at allocations across the district. The number of students and the students' needs. Thank you very much for listening.

Ms. Khrystyne Bento, Pawtucket, commented good evening. I start off for thanking you for changing the order of public input. Unlike some people, I don't like to be rude in front of children. The media who comes here hasn't been transparent so, I'm here to repeat what I have to say. People are getting more and more uncomfortable the way this School Committee is voting. All students are being held accountable and it's happening here and the bullying going on at this podium, I've talked to teachers and they agreed the President of the Pawtucket Teachers' Alliance is a bit of a bully and the way he speaks at these meetings. There's a problem with the way they're addressing other adults. Ms. Bonollo, you brought that up when you told me you can't respond to emails. You tell children they can't be rude and disrespectful and yet you're doing that. I want to thank you, Mrs. Royal for the way you present to the students. Parents want to come here but they won't because of the very way they are spoken to. Teachers are confused because of the way the information is getting back to them. I've heard time and time again they're working with administration to call these teachers back. They're being told by their president they're not being called back. She said it in her own words a couple were called back. Let's just relax and try to work with everyone. I'm a parent and a taxpayer. It creeps me out to see how this Union is treating Administrators and the School Committee. I can call the color card. After the last meeting just a far miss after you, Ms. Bonollo posted on Facebook and someone responded Mrs. Bento is a racist. They posted anonymously. If you act like adults, I don't have to come here. Unfortunately, I have to keep reminding you. No one addresses me so, I have to come back like at the last meeting and check you. My approach may not be the best, but it's mine.

III. Recognition

- Tolman/Shea Boys' Volleyball Co-op Team

The students were recognized before public participation.

IV. Approval of previous meeting minutes, 4/25/24

Ms. Bonollo and Mr. Chellel moved to approve the previous meeting minutes, 4/25/24. Ms. Grant seconded.

Voice vote:

Ms. Bonollo-yes; Mr. Chellel-yes; Ms. Fernandes-yes; Ms. Grant-yes; Mr. Charbonneau-yes

Motion carries.

V. Old Business Discussion/Action Items

- a. Remove from Table \$234M Approval Memorandum of Agreement MOA#5 Revision

Ms. Bonollo moved to remove from table \$234M approval Memorandum of agreement MOA#5 revision. Ms. Grant seconded.

Voice vote:

Ms. Bonollo-yes; Mr. Chellel-yes; Ms. Fernandes-yes; Ms. Grant-yes; Mr. Charbonneau-yes

Motion carries.

- b. \$234M Approval Memorandum of Agreement MOA#5 Revision

Mr. Chellel moved to approve the \$234M memorandum of agreement MOA#5 revision. Ms. Bonollo seconded.

Roll call:

Ms. Bonollo-yes; Mr. Chellel-yes; Ms. Fernandes-yes; Ms. Grant-yes; Mr. Charbonneau-yes

Motion carries.

VI. New Business Discussion/Action Items

- a. Recall of Certified Educators

Mrs. Lofton commented good evening School Committee Members and Superintendent Royal. Before you, you have a list of 62 names we're looking for approval to recall to a position.

Ms. Bonollo moved to approve to recall the list of 62 certified educators. Ms. Grant seconded.

Ms. Bonollo commented we have these being recalled. We have five (5) social workers and three (3) guidance counselors. I'd like the number of special education educators. If we cut the budget so much, we're not doing our job. Can you get the number of special education students and if there's any inkling to adding them back? I know we've had two to three incidents reported last year and some not reported. If we only have one (1) social worker, we're not handling it.

Mrs. Lofton commented I can update you on the social workers. Three (3) have been recalled. As we have retirements and educators who relocate to other positions and districts. I will be sure to get the report to you.

Mrs. Royal commented we are currently looking at the roles of social workers and guidance counselors. Things are not aligned right now. I will have Dr. Tate and Mrs. Lofton come and share responsibilities. I think there's poor communication of what's happening right now. I will share that when we're looking at accurate information, decisions we've made and are making going forward. I don't want people to think Mrs. Royal is cutting positions just to cut positions. We have to do it in a decent and proper way. I keep hearing "is Mrs. Royal cutting positions" and that is not accurate. This is not something I created. This has been happening for over 20 years per Ron Beaupre. This is not my process. I'm following what's in the union contract and what's in place. No final decisions have been made. When the social worker came and spoke, I'm taking notes. You will all know when it's final and I'll bring it to you.

Mr. Charbonneau commented Mrs. Lofton, please get that report to Ms. Liss.

Ms. Grant commented the people being recalled are these positions they're going to?

Mrs. Lofton commented 62 teachers were recalled to a position in what they're certified in. We still have 12-16 folks to place. We're working with Mr. Beaupre to assure those teachers are able to keep those jobs they are certified in. We're working together with union partners here and making sure teachers are working with the RIDE portal.

Roll call:

Ms. Bonollo-yes; Mr. Chellel-yes; Ms. Fernandes-yes; Ms. Grant-yes; Mr. Charbonneau-yes

Motion carries.

b. Jonathan Levi Architects Design Fee Proposal for Unified High School – Review and Approval

Ms. Havrilla commented good evening School Committee Members. The last time we were here we interviewed for the construction manager and between them and Jonathan Levi Architects we've been working on proposals and we have the architectural fee proposal for your approval. Construction costs are estimated at \$260M and based on this cost the fee is 8% of the project cost or \$22,100,000 and we ask for your approval tonight. There are a lot of conversations to use contractors most successful working on this project and MBE participation is 8%.

Ms. Bonollo moved to approve the Jonathan Levi Architects Design Fee Proposal for the Unified High School in the amount of \$22,100,000. Ms. Grant seconded.

Ms. Grant commented is this percentage typical?

Ms. Havrilla commented it's right there in line with the industry standard. 8.5% is right where the market is.

Mr. Charbonneau commented we're excited to get started and continue to work with your continued partnership.

Roll call:

Ms. Bonollo-yes; Mr. Chellel-yes; Ms. Fernandes-yes; Ms. Grant-yes; Mr. Charbonneau-yes

Motion carries.

Mr. Chellel stepped away at 6:36 PM.

Mr. Levi commented I'm deeply appreciative and deeply honored. We've been delighted to work with you for quite a few years now and we'll continue our commitment to you with that sense of passion. I want to hear from you directly if there's something you're not expecting. We are meeting with the Superintendent. She came in at the end and want to make sure she and her staff are involved and if changes are necessary, we'll embrace these changes.

c. Shawmut Design and Construction Notice to Proceed for Unified High School – Review and Approval

Ms. Havrilla commented the next partner is Shawmut Design and Construction and notice to proceed. This is where we'll be starting pre-construction notice and design and get to the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP).

Mr. Chellel moved to approve Shawmut Design and Construction Notice to Proceed for Unified High School. Ms. Grant seconded.

Mr. Charbonneau commented I'll prematurely congratulate and look forward to continue to build that relationship at Baldwin as we continue to move forward with this project.

Ms. Grant commented the price for construction, does that include the demolition of the building?

Ms. Havrilla commented yes.

Roll call:

Ms. Bonollo-yes; Mr. Chellel-yes; Ms. Fernandes-yes; Ms. Grant-yes; Mr. Charbonneau-yes

Motion carries.

Mr. Zaniol commented we're really looking forward to continuing this partnership. I grew up here and we're looking forward to getting Baldwin finished on time. We already started looking at the site. Thank you very much. We're looking forward to it.

d. Review and Approval of New Baldwin Elementary School Interior Colors Board/Samples

Ms. Daikh commented tonight Colliers Project Leaders presents the new colors for Baldwin for your approval. Mr. Jonathan Levi will go over the color selection. Robert Stack from Torrado Architects is here also.

Mr. Levi commented the process of designing a school includes specifications for materials that go into a school. We have to use confirmation from contractors which are called submittals and is what we specified in our intent. This is a follow up meeting to one that occurred on 6/20/24 of last week where we met with John Cote and the faculty and made drawings based on each classroom in the school.

I'll start with the floor. Elements that had to do with counter tops. John Cote was very insistent we had LDT tile that didn't require a lot of waxing.

Daylighting is really important to kids and natural light is very important to students. The reflective surfaces have an impact and improve the quality of student education. This is a warmer beige-gray and higher beige and less gray.

That's the floor and has the least range of colors and one other darker warmth of wood floor. To go with these, we have a range of wall colors beige/white and off white.

Ms. Bonollo commented do we have to pick just one (1) color for all floors and will all floors be tiled?

Mr. Levi commented no, we don't have to go with one color. It was suggested we mix all three (3) colors so we have a slight range with that.

Ms. Bonollo commented as for as the wall theme goes the one at Winters is not one that is easily washed. We need something for students.

Mr. Levi commented we would have some gloss. This color is responding to the color budget. There are quite a few variations. We don't want gloss on the wall.

Ms. Bonollo commented we need to make sure we can wash with regular cleaner.

Mr. Levi commented I know Ms. Bonollo is a fan of bright colors. We have built into our project a bumper rail that goes in all public spaces that is 30 inches, 2 feet deep span of color throughout the school. A rainbow of colors 1) use three of four accent colors accent colors on the exterior of the building.

Ms. Grant commented I'm confused. I thought when Winters was involved the teachers chose and then you came to us?

Mr. Charbonneau commented I think all of these were picked by the teachers last year.

Mr. Levi commented there are options if you'd like to delegate to the teachers. We can do that.

Mr. Charbonneau commented basic colors have already been agreed to.

Mr. Levi commented my simple proposition is to use these same colors on the same side.

Mr. Charbonneau commented is it the will of this committee to let the teachers choose?

Ms. Grant commented I thought that is what happened at Winters and you would work with them to decide what the best quality is, unless we had a problem with it. I think between the principal and the teachers this is going to be there space.

Mr. Chellel commented I want to point out Lisa had her hand up.

Mrs. Ramzi commented they did visioning with the school and are doing what Winters had. The facilities subcommittee and a lot of those decisions were done there but we can pair it here.

Mr. Chellel commented I agree with Kim. The administrators and teachers should bring it back to us.

Mr. Charbonneau commented we make these decisions every day.

Ms. Daikh commented we're going to leave the final decision to the faculty. These options were based on their decision.

Mr. Levi commented not the colors they saw on this board with all the colors.

Ms. Daikh commented based on the color options in front of you can we do it?

Ms. Bonollo commented the teachers are gone.

Mr. Zaniol commented my understanding is we had to bring this before you. I thought this was already decided. It will take much longer. Teachers already made their decisions.

Mr. Charbonneau commented the teacher planning board is everything they've seen and agreed to. We're being asked to pick out the floor and asked to vote based on colors aligned with their choice.

Mr. Zaniol commented it's really the paint and floor.

Mr. Levi commented you want to release the floor soon and maybe release the paint color in the fall.

Mr. Zaniol commented I want to look at the schedule before I agree to that. I have no problem stretching it, but we have to be careful.

Ms. Bonollo commented the colors on the board?

Mr. Levi commented tactile surface typical door finish and laminate floor. Accent tiles in the bathroom based on color coding of the theme and rubber treads on egress stairs, not a lot on controversy here. Paneling- acoustic tiling; carpet is not an immediate need. We would mix these two or these two both LDL.

Ms. Grant moved to approve to accept Option Color #3 for classrooms as main flooring and @ Baldwin and Option 1 for entrance lobby trim. Ms. Bonollo seconded.

Roll call:

Ms. Bonollo-yes; Mr. Chellel-yes; Ms. Fernandes-stepped away; Ms. Grant-yes; Mr. Charbonneau-yes

Motion carries.

e. Budget Transfers for Approval

Mrs. Ramzi commented Kris and I have this tonight. We have several budget transfers for your approval and they are detailed in your packet.

Facilities Department:

\$65,964 from 54902 Fire & Safety Service \$(21,000.00) from 54202-Snow Removal/Sanding \$(44,964.00) to 54322-HVAC Services \$65,964.00.

\$41,500.00 from 54311-Maintenance Repairs Building Fixtures & Equipment \$ (40,000.00) From 56219-Custodial Supplies \$(1,500.00) to 54313-Maintenane Repairs Building \$41,500.00

\$10,500.00 from 54901-Other Purchased Properties/Environmental Service \$(10,500.00) to 54324-Plumbin Services \$10,500.00

\$7,700.00 from 54902-Fire & Safety Service \$(6,000.00) from 54901-Other Purchased Properties/Environmental Services \$(200.00) From 56219-Custodial Supplies \$(1,500.00) to 54310-Non-Technology Services \$7,700.00

\$4,350.00 from 53502-Other Technical Services \$ (8,000.00) From 54205-Pest Services \$(650.00) From 54902-Other Purchased Properties/Environmental Services \$(700.00) From 56219-Custodial Supplies \$(500.00) to 56217-Plumbing & Heating Supplies \$9,850.00

Mr. Chellel moved to approve the budget transfers. Ms. Grant seconded.

Ms. Bonollo commented the last one for \$7,700.00 what repairs do we already have at Winters?

Mrs. Ramzi commented graphic upgrades.

Ms. Bonollo commented that will take care of any issues over there? Didn't we just have elevator repairs at Tolman?

Mrs. Ramzi commented several times at Tolman.

Ms. Bonollo commented what is this going to do?

Mrs. Ramzi commented these are throughout the budget.

Ms. Bonollo commented these are already extended?

Mr. Silva commented yes.

Roll call:

Ms. Bonollo-yes; Mr. Chellel-yes; Ms. Fernandes-stepped away; Ms. Grant-yes; Mr. Charbonneau-yes

Motion carries.

f. Approval to Award Custodial Commodities

Mr. Silva commented we went out for RFP and received several responses. The School Department has been actively seeking proposals for custodial commodities for a period of three (3) years through an RFP. We received multiple responses and recommend the following seven (7) companies for custodial commodities: W. B. Mason; Home Depot; Shur Az; Likarr; Uni Pak; Central Poly and Aramsco.

Ms. Grant moved to approve to award the custodial commodities to the seven (7) companies, W. B. Mason; Home Depot; Shur Az; Likarr; Uni Pak; Central Poly and Aramsco for a three-year period. Ms. Bonollo seconded.

Ms. Bonollo commented I know I talked about it years ago and haven't recently . These are environmentally safe?

Mr. Silva commented yes. We don't even use bleach anymore.

Roll call:

Ms. Bonollo-yes; Mr. Chellel-yes; Ms. Fernandes-yes; Ms. Grant-yes; Mr. Charbonneau-yes

Motion carries.

g. Approval to Award Custodial/Maintenance Uniforms

Mr. Silva commented the Pawtucket School Department is actively seeking quote for custodial/maintenance uniforms for a period of two (2) years through an RFP. We received three (3) responses to our RFP: Spirit Recognition Shirts \$13.89 ea to \$23.99 ea depending on style and size; pants \$20.79 ea to \$21.79 ea depending on style and size; Uniform Warehouse: Shirts \$12.50 ea to \$24.50 ea depending on style and size; pants \$24.99 ea to \$27.99 ea depending on size; BSN Sports: Shirts (t-shirts only, no bid on polo's) \$12.49 to 15.90 depending on size and they did not bid on pants.

Spirit is our current vendor and they are a Pawtucket company and have the logo on file and there are no shipping costs. It is the recommendation that the school committee accept Spirit Recognition proposal for uniform shirts and pants due to them being a local company who already has our log on file, quicker turnaround time and no shipping costs.

Ms. Bonollo moved to approve to award the Custodial/Maintenance Uniforms to Spirit Recognition. Ms. Grant seconded.

Roll call:

Ms. Bonollo-yes; Mr. Chellel-yes; Ms. Fernandes-yes; Ms. Grant-yes; Mr. Charbonneau-yes

Motion carries.

VII. Discussion Items

a. District-Wide Summer Construction Projects

A list of all summer projects was provided to the committee members.

Ms. Grant commented are these all slated to be completed by the end of the summer?

Mrs. Ramzi commented construction, no; facilities, yes. The Commissary Kitchen, no they will be able to; Playgrounds we're hoping so but going into the start of the school year. Goff windows going into the school year; ADA bathrooms should be done now or very soon; Slater railings and doors now or very soon.

Ms. Grant commented I with Dr. Tate and the Superintendent went to Goff and were looking at the windows and we were brought into a room by the principal and shown a window that opens in. If two (2) windows together, then those windows would open in four inches. These windows that open in there's no air flow at all. I think we all thought they were going to be four (4) inches up.

Mrs. Ramzi commented the Goff windows project the ones in the science room do open in. I want to get you a full detailed list. I don't want to misspeak and will get information to Ms. Liss or put it on a future agenda.

Ms. Grant commented could you also ask for the regulations? I was very disappointed with the windows that open in and this is a non-air-conditioned school.

Mrs. Ramzi commented I will have Jiana prepare that.

Ms. Grant commented they open in the opposite way of the windows that are there now.

Ms. Bonollo commented the window in the gym and auditorium are high so no one can get in there. They said there may be a variance to get air flow in and because they are higher get hooks to close them and ask Hersh to wire them on the outside on the ground level. My concern is the safety of leaving them open. Can we look at those?

Mrs. Ramzi commented the vendors are coming in for a district wide assessment for pot holes.

Mr. Silva commented I'm getting quotes now for pot holes. Cleaning boiler room is starting on 7/7 so we don't have a leak like before in the Dance Studio. Steam pipe ATC fence at Slater is being done. Bubbler at Tolman already have it and have to hire a vendor. The HVAC window replacement at Winters gym was shot with a bb gun.

Mr. Charbonneau commented do any committee members have any questions on the facilities items that the school committee has questions on or are we good with the list?

Ms. Bonollo commented Room 312 at Goff.

Mr. Silva commented yes, its on the list. We're down ½ our custodial staff so that's how we prioritize.

Ms. Bonollo commented John had a list of bathrooms in specific order. Privacy like that could out rank something else on the list.

Mr. Silva commented we are ordering new hinges so they can't break them anymore. The Slater bathrooms they ripped the whole counter off the wall. We bracketed them up to the ceiling at Varieur and at Shea they rip them right off.

b. City School Finance Update

Mr. Charbonneau commented in the recent weeks you've all been in receipt of information from Attorney Conley to the City Finances and I will open it up to any questions.

Ms. Bonollo commented did everyone get a zoom call on closing out the budget on 6/12/24?

Ms. Fernandes commented tell us about the zoom call. We didn't receive it, but you did.

Ms. Bonollo commented I got the call today.

Ms. Grant commented I did too. For me they asked if I could meet from Ryan Holt. He wanted to go over he had spoken to the Chair. He couldn't get in touch with Marsha.

Ms. Fernandes commented interesting.

Ms. Bonollo commented I asked why closed on 6/12/24 and they said they had an agreement with Melissa Devine. I was told we still have access and the General Assembly closes on 6/30/24. They said they were going to have a meeting with the finance team here to work out issues and everyone would be on the same page and all purchase orders could be direct pays.

Ms. Fernandes commented this “exclusive” meeting they had with you?

Mr. Charbonneau commented I will share with you this started toward the middle end of last week. A letter was sent to the director of finance outlining a set of actions done by the City finance side impeding the school finance side. The Superintendent articulated this was in direct response to the City deleting 33/36 purchase orders that was an intentional act. The Superintendent responded as the leader of this district several days went by with no response. I received a call from the director on the Mayor’s staff and saw a communication for only Monday. I thought it best we memorialize what had happened. Our department went through all this work with the City deleting it with no explanation. What this has now created is a significant audit problem with the FY24 Audit. So, when that audit comes out, I don’t want finger pointing coming down . Now they start the individual phone calls. It’s the same nonsense they’ve been doing the past two (2) years. They don’t collaborate. I apologize if I’m going on a bit of a tangent. I’m tired of getting my chain jerked when I’m at the City Council meeting no one says anything and wait and take a cheap shot in the newspaper.

Mrs. Royal commented thank you Kim and Jay. The information shared was very accurate. I want it noted I have worked with the City Finance side and will continue work with them to do my best. I will continue to do my best. You gave me that charge to do that charge. Finance is very important . I have to do that. Some in the City Department have been nothing but wonderful, but when it comes to finger pointing I’m going to be very clear and transparent of what happens in our district office. But when you start pointing fingers and you’re talking about my intelligence, I get most of my help from RIDE and Marcum. When I reached out for help, I’ve been told you have no business office and told I have the experts on the City side. It doesn’t make sense. Your staff is new so, let’s work together. When I have my secretary and team members working tirelessly on this now I told Jay I have no more hours to give, when I reach out to the City asking for help. But when you get turned away I’ve taking a lot of daggers and have not sat down with one of them. I’ve been taking this for a year. Not only are you taking daggers at me, you’re doing it to my team. But to say I’m not truthful or ethical, that’s not fair. I have several degrees. I don’t mind getting input from my constituents. I worked very hard to get this job. Half of you were here when I was interviewed. That was a tough interview. I love my district, staff and this school committee but I’m always going to be the best for my children. I’m just doing the work I was charged to do and that is to take this district to the next level. That is their right and bring along as many people. Don’t come after my ethics, values and reputation. I’ve worked hard for my reputation and I am not going to let you take that away from me. Thank you for allowing me to speak.

c. Work Order Summary May, 2024

VIII. Possible Executive Session

The School Committee may vote to recess to possible executive session in accordance with the provisions under R. I. General Laws:

1. Pursuant to R. I. G. L. § 42-46-5 (a)(1) for the purpose of discussing/acting upon the physical health, job performance and administrator contract status
2. Pursuant to R. I. G. L. § 42-46-5 (a)(1) for the purpose of discussing/acting upon the physical health, job performance of a Non-Certified Employee
3. Seal Executive Session Minutes
4. Adjourn the Executive Session

Ms. Bonollo moved to recess to executive session. Ms. Grant seconded.

Voice vote:

Ms. Bonollo-yes; Mr. Chellel-yes; Ms. Fernandes-yes; Ms. Grant-yes; Mr. Charbonneau-yes

Motion carries.

The Committee recessed to executive session at 7:48 PM to 8:04 PM.

IX. Reconvene to open session

The Chairman Mr. Charbonneau reconvened to open session at 8:08 PM.

a. Roll call

Ms. Bonollo-here; Mr. Chellel-here; Ms. Fernandes-here; Ms. Grant-here; Mr. Charbonneau-here

X. Report out vote(s) of 6/27/24 executive session

The clerk reported the committee voted unanimously to approve a separation agreement with an administrator, to seal the executive session minutes and to adjourn the executive session minutes.

XI. Adjournment

Ms. Bonollo moved to adjourn. Ms. Grant seconded.

Voice vote:

Ms. Bonollo-yes; Mr. Chellel-yes; Ms. Fernandes-yes; Ms. Grant-yes; Mr. Charbonneau-yes

Motion carries.

The Chairman Mr. Charbonneau adjourned the work session at 8:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Clerk

Approved 10/15/24