



RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Rhode Island Board of Education met on Monday, December 9, 2013 at North Providence High School, North Providence, RI. Chair Eva-Marie Mancuso welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

Chair Mancuso thanked Mayor Lombardi, Superintendent Melinda Smith, School Committee Chair Anthony Marciano and Principal Joseph Goho for hosting this evening's meeting.

Attendance was as follows:

Antonio Barajas: absent
Michael Bernstein: present
Colleen A. Callahan: present
Karin Forbes: present
Jo Eva Gaines: present
Michael A. Grande: present
Patrick A. Guida: present
William C. Maaia: present
Eva-Marie Mancuso: present
Lawrence Purtill: present
Mathies Santos: present

1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

On a motion duly made by Jo-Eva Gaines and seconded by Karin Forbes it was

VOTED: That the Rhode Island Board of Education accept the agenda for the meeting of December 9, 2013.

Vote: 9 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, and Mathies Santos

NAYS: 0

2. APROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 7, 2013 WORK SESSION

On a motion duly made by Karin Forbes and seconded by Colleen Callahan, it was

VOTED: That the Rhode Island Board of Education approves the minutes of the work session of November 7, 2013.

Vote: 9 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, and Mathies Santos

NAYS: 0

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 13, 2013 MEETING

On a motion duly made by Patrick Guida and seconded by Karin Forbes, it was

VOTED: That the Rhode Island Board of Education approves the minutes of the meeting of November 13, 2013.

Vote: 9 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, and Mathies Santos

NAYS: 0

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 13, 2013 EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion duly made by Karin Forbes and seconded by Jo-Eva Gaines, it was

VOTED: That the Rhode Island Board of Education approves the minutes of the executive session of November 13, 2013.

Vote: 9 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, and Mathies Santos

NAYS: 0

3. OPEN FORUM

Chair Mancuso reminded everyone wishing to address the Board that they would be limited to two minutes per person. The following individuals spoke:

Malcolm Baxter, Rhode Island resident

- Involved with workforce development, developmental education and basic adult education. He shared his concern that bringing two advisory groups to the Board has little incentive to reduce programs and reduce funding for their institutions.

[Member Maaia arrives]

James Parisi, Field Representative, RI Federation of Teachers and Health Professionals

- Expressed his support of the draft proposal as a positive and creative way of dealing with the workload imposed on the joint Boards. Supports the idea of maintaining a unified board and the creation of two separate councils with authority. He questions the need of the Coordinating Committee, and he feels it is inappropriate for the Board to have employees and appointed members serving.

Michael Skeldon, Principal, Beacon Charter High School for the Arts, Woonsocket

- Mr. Skeldon stated that the School continues to see students arriving who require remedial work which puts challenges on students to complete high school requirements. Beacon Charter is looking to increase student enrollment beginning with 6th graders in the Fall of 2015. They will be looking to increase their total student head count by 360. Mr. Skelton indicated that the School will continue to keep the Board apprised of their progress.

Angelo Garcia, Segue Institute

- Invited the Board to attend the school's 2013-2014 RIASCD Whole Child Recognition School Award Ceremony on Thursday, December 19th at 9:00 a.m.

4. REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chair Mancuso reported that she is very pleased to present to the Board for approval and discussion a plan to begin the discussion of governance with the legislature. She has met with the Governor and legislative leaders who look forward to working with the Board to develop legislation and to hopefully pass legislation so that this Board can continue with their work as one Board of Education.

5. REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS

5a. Updates and issues affecting local and national education.

Commissioner Gist reported that the first meeting of the Governor's Educator Autonomy Working Group took place the prior week. The Group will continue to meet monthly in public sessions through next summer. Vice Chair Guida represents the Board on this Working Group. The Governor has charged this group to make recommendations on how to increase flexibility for classroom teachers, and school leaders in their carrying out the work of educating our students in the State.

Commissioner Gist indicated that she and Deputy Commissioner Abbott had met with a team from the Department of Administration to discuss the FY 2015 budget. The requests as presented included the funds necessary to fully fund the Funding Formula including the categorical amounts, as well as some additional funds to support work that has already begun on transforming education in Rhode Island.

Regarding school safety, the Commissioner stated that they continue to work with the Emergency Management Agency and other state and local agencies to make sure that our students are safe at school. New legislation passed earlier this year required RIDE to develop a model school safety plan. The plan has been completed and a will be released later this week with the Emergency Management group and Governor Chafee.

At the request of Board Member Callahan, Commissioner Gist provided the Board with an update on the Program for International Student Assessment "PISA." The report, which was released in early December, measures problem-solving and provides the results of the 2012 international PISA assessment which was based on 15-year-old students in 65 educational systems. The U.S. scores were significantly below average in mathematics, slightly below average in science, and average in reading. These results have not changed measurably over time since 2000. Although there were no results specific to Rhode Island, there were three states, Connecticut, Florida, and Massachusetts, that participated as separate education entities for 2012. Connecticut and Massachusetts significantly outperformed the nation as a whole, and Massachusetts ranked among the top 10 systems in all subjects. The Commissioner explained that a plan has been put in place for Rhode Island while looking at not only what the best systems in the world have done but specifically what Massachusetts has done over a number of years and they feel confident that they will get to where we need to be as a system here in Rhode Island.

Commissioner Gist gave an update on Charter Schools. She explained that three of the Charter Schools that the Board renewed in July 2013, Times 2 STEM Academy, the Segue Institute for Learning, and the Blackstone Valley Prep Mayoral Academy had conditions placed upon their renewals. These conditions stemmed from non-academic deficiencies. Over the past several months RIDE has worked with these charter schools to ensure that each school meets the expectations set by the conditions. The Commissioner reported that both Times 2 STEM Academy and the Segue Institute have submitted evidence indicating substantial improvement since their July renewals and she will remove the conditions placed on both schools. Blackstone Valley Prep was given a deadline of July 2014 to satisfy the conditions imposed upon them.

As for the three proposed charter schools who received preliminary approval in October, Southside Elementary Charter School, Engineering Early College Academy, and Hope Academy, they are working to meet the readiness criteria for final approval and will be applying for their final Charter from the Board of Education in April.

The 2014 renewals of charter schools will include the Trinity Academy for the Performing Arts, The Greene School, New England Laborers' Construction Career Academy, and Academy for Career Exploration. The renewal review process for these schools will begin this month and will include a comprehensive review of school performance, their curriculum, finances and a visit to the school.

Lastly, the Commissioner reported on the Dual Enrollment Equal Opportunity Act approved by the General Assembly in 2013. The Rhode Island Department of Education and the Office of Higher Education are jointly researching national best practices to establish criteria for an effective policy to support the K20 system. Several components they are looking at include states that are considered to be exemplar, sustainable and cost-efficient funding, student access and eligibility requirements, student support structures, and programmatic quality assurance and system accountability.

5b. Updates and issues affecting local and national higher education.

Clark Greene reported on behalf of the Office of Higher Education and indicated that he has been hard at work on the governance issues. He will be meeting with the Budget Office later this week with Chair Mancuso to discuss the first response to the budget proposal.

He advised that the Board will be receiving a second set of external auditor reports in January. These are the A 133 audits as they relate to federal student aid.

On the policy side, Mr. Greene was pleased to announce that the Multi-State Collaborative, in which Rhode Island is a part, has been awarded substantial funding to work together with eight other states on the development and pilot testing of a different model for learning outcomes assessment. This collaboration of states was recently awarded an annual amount of \$900,000 to begin developing the pilot. An initial meeting is scheduled for mid-December.

Mr. Greene reported that the Office of Higher Education will be hosting teams from RI's three public institutions to attend a series of hands-on workshops with funding from the College Access Challenge Grant from the U.S. Department of Education to focus on student success for first generation students in Rhode Island.

6. PRESIDENTS' REPORTS

6a. University of Rhode Island

Provost Donald DeHayes presented a report on behalf of the University. He explained that the *Finish What You Started* program, which started roughly 18 months ago, has approximately 650 students in the pipeline with 175 which have been readmitted, and 35 who have graduated. The second initiative the *Winter J Term*, a mini-semester which will run for 3 weeks giving students the opportunity to accrue additional college credits between semesters, will begin January 2nd. Enrollment in the new pilot program has shown great interest with 410 students so far enrolled in 33 courses. Most courses are offered on campus, although there are 8 international study courses which allows students to earn credits while learning in a different country within a different culture.

6b. Rhode Island College

President Carriuolo reported that RIC is looking forward to continued collaboration with Brown and URI on the joint nursing building that will bring RIC together to share facilities while maintaining its separate identity. She added that although RIC and URI serve different populations of students, different program specialties at the graduate level, and faculties with different salary levels, the needs of the faculty are similar.

As for the Industrial Technology related program, RIC is currently investigating the feasibility of updating and re-instituting the major in Industrial Technology. Employers have expressed a need for employees who have a four-year degree related to industrial technology. Simultaneous to this discussion, President Carriuolo stated that the College is in discussion to offer a certificate program that meets the immediate needs of the employees of Electric Boat.

President Carriuolo's written report to the Board included additional updates on:

- Providence's new independence trail. The College's history, education, theatre, and music departments have teamed up to support the development and will participate with singing, costumed student actors, and student teachers who will bring the trail alive for school children.
- RIC's music, theatre and dance students have been invited to participate in the prestigious Edinburgh Festival of the Arts in Scotland. The American College Theater Festival has awarded the Richard Maltby, Jr. Award for two years to RIC students for the region that includes New England and New York State.
- Two of RIC's faculty, Dr. Frank Leazes and Dr. Shani Carter, were awarded funding through the new College and University Research Collaboration of RI's public and independent institutions of higher education. This funding will provide research to the legislature on various topics related to building the state's economy.

- The College's *Finish Strong* program aimed at getting individuals to return to college to complete their degrees is doing well – 272 students graduated in 2012-2013.

6c. Community College of Rhode Island

Vice President Gregory LaMontagne presented the College's written report on behalf of President Di Pasquale who could not be in attendance this evening. The report's highlights were:

- The CCRI Foundation will hold its seventh annual "Changing Lives Celebration" on December 12th honoring five outstanding community leaders while raising funds to help even more students achieve their dreams. The Foundation will honor Sen. Hanna Gallo, Rep. Joseph McNamara, Sondra Ahlijian Pitts, Thomas E. Pitts, Jr., and the Carousel Industries of North America.
- The CCRI women's soccer team ended its season in the district championship game, but three of its players earned national Soccer Coaches Associations of America All-North Regional honors. Honored were Alex Place, Betti worth and Paige Oram.
- The annual guidance counselor informational breakfast has been moved from May to March at the suggestion of high school guidance counselors. The 2014 breakfast will be held on March 4th.
- The College will offer a training session regarding bomb threats and other related topics for faculty and staff at each campus. The session will be led by Sgt. Allen Valliere of the Warwick Police Department.
- President Di Pasquale will host CCRI's annual holiday coffee hour for faculty and staff at all campuses – December 13th at Knight Campus; December 16 at Flanagan Campus; December 17 at Newport Campus and December 18th at the Liston Campus.

In addition to President's Di Pasquale's written report, Vice President LaMontagne reported that the College is now in its last week of classes. Students are sharing their experiences with their peers and faculty. It is a very exciting time on the campuses.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

7a. Higher Education Governance - Update

Clark Greene thanked members of the Board who attended the public feedback sessions held last week. Mr. Greene introduced, Aims McGuinness who will explain the proposal.

Mr. McGuinness stated that "the key message that we want to convey is that this is a recommendation for one Board of Education." The idea of one board is really important for the future of Rhode Island. The future of the State requires progress at every level of the system.

Mr. McGuinness explained to the Board the "Proposal for Public Education Governance & Administration for Governor and General Assembly" (Enclosure 8c). The proposal includes:

Governance – The Board of Education will address the performance of a single public education system that effectively and efficiently serves Rhode Islanders from their pre-kindergarten years, through elementary and secondary school and into post secondary education and adult education. In addition to serving on the Board, each member will serve on two councils, responsible for addressing issues specific to either elementary and secondary education or postsecondary education.

Board of Education – The Board serves to improve the quality of the public education system and to promote collaboration and efficiency. The Board will expand to 15 members whose responsibilities will include:

- “Setting goals for the education system and determine metrics for measuring progress;
- holding the system accountable for performance on goals;
- Setting an action agenda to address core system-wide priorities (e.g., workforce skills, instructional technology, operational efficiencies);
- recommending budget parameters aligned with goals;
- reviewing elementary and secondary education and postsecondary strategic plans for alignment to goals;
- reviewing progress on goals and action agenda and addressing gaps in progress; and
- reporting annually on progress to the Governor and the General Assembly.”

The Governor appoints the Board Chair and members, with the Advice and Consent of the Senate.

Coordinating Committee – This Committee will set the policy agenda for the Board and assures that the Board’s goals are reflected in the strategic plans adopted by the Councils.

Council on Elementary and Secondary Education – This Council will be comprised of 7 members of the Board and has full statutory authority for elementary and secondary governance and regulation. Its responsibilities include adopting standards, implementing and enforcing regulations, generally supervising elementary and secondary education, developing budgets for the elementary and secondary system, and appointing the Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education who will report to this Council.

Council on Postsecondary Education – This council will also be comprised of 7 members of the Board. This Council has full statutory authority for higher education governance and coordinating functions. Its responsibilities include assuring institutional accountability, supporting accreditation, granting tenure, overseeing tuition, budget, and capital financing, and appointing the Commissioner of Postsecondary Education and the college and university Presidents, assuring mission differentiation and promoting alignment and efficiencies among the institutions, and assuring credit portability and recovery.

The Commissioner of Postsecondary Education, college and university presidents will report directly to this Council.

Administration – The *Rhode Island Department of Elementary and Secondary Education* (“RIDE”) and the Council will develop and adopt a strategic plan to dedicate RIDE’s resources to the support of the Board’s goals, working with the higher education system and other partners.

The *Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner*, a new entity being proposed, would support the governance and coordination responsibilities of the Council on Postsecondary Education and to work with the higher education institutions to facilitate policy initiatives of the Board and Council.

Throughout Mr. McGuinness presentation, Board members shared their recommendations, comments and questions on the proposal.

Chair Mancuso thanked Mr. McGuinness for all of his outstanding work.

8. ACTION ITEMS

8a. Approval of the RI Board of Education Appeals Committee Recommendations

Appeals Committee Chair, Karin Forbes, presented the five appeal items:

In the matter of: Peter Pinkhover v. Chariho Regional School Committee

On a motion duly made by Jo-Eva Gaines and seconded by Colleen Callahan, it was

VOTED: That In the matter of Peter Pinkhover v. Chariho Regional School District Committee, the Decision of the Commissioner is affirmed, as presented.

Vote: 8 members voted in the affirmative, 0 members voted in the negative, 1 member recused, and 1 member abstained as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Patrick Guida, Mathies Santos, and William Maaia

NAYS: 0

Recused: Michael A. Grande

Abstained: Lawrence Purtill

In the matter of: Kingston Hill Academy v. Chariho Regional School Committee

On a motion duly made by Karin Forbes and seconded by Patrick Guida, it was

VOTED: That In the matter of Kingston Hill Academy v. Chariho Regional School District Committee, the Decision of the Commissioner is affirmed, as presented.

Vote: 9 members voted in the affirmative, 0 members voted in the negative, and 1 member recused as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, Mathies Santos, and William Maaia

NAYS: 0

Recused: Michael A. Grande

In the matter of: G. Doe v. Cumberland School District

On a motion duly made by Mathies Santos and seconded by Jo-Eva Gaines, it was

VOTED: That In the matter of G. Doe v. Cumberland School District, the Decision of the Commissioner is remanded to the Commissioner, as presented.

Vote: 10 members voted in the affirmative, 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, Mathies Santos, and William Maaia

NAYS: 0

In the matter of: Harmony Hill School and the Department of Children, Youth and Families v. Foster School Department

On a motion duly made by Karin Forbes and seconded by Patrick Guida, it was

VOTED: That In the matter of Harmony Hill School and the Department of Children, Youth and Families v. Foster School Department the Decision of the Commissioner is affirmed, as presented.

Vote: 9 members voted in the affirmative, 0 members voted in the negative, and 1 member recused as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, Mathies Santos, and William Maaia

NAYS: 0

Recused: Jo Eva Gaines

In the matter of: S. Doe v. Bristol Warren Regional School District

On a motion duly made by Mathies Santos and seconded by Jo-Eva Gaines, it was

VOTED: That In the matter of S. Doe v. Bristol Warren Regional School District, the Decision of the Commissioner is affirmed, as presented.

Vote: 10 members voted in the affirmative, 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, Mathies Santos, and William Maaia

NAYS: 0

Chair Mancuso thanked Committee Chair Forbes and all committee members for their work on all the pending Appeals Committee matters.

8b. Approval of the Awarding of Tenure at the Community College of Rhode Island

Chair Mancuso presented Item 8b for approval.

On the motion duly made by Mathies Santos and seconded by Colleen Callahan, it was

VOTED: That the Rhode Island Board of Education approves the awarding of tenure to the faculty members at the Community College of Rhode Island effective January 1, 2014 as presented.

Vote: 10 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, Mathies Santos, and William Maaia

NAYS: 0

8c. Approval of the Recommendation to the Governor and the General Assembly on the Board of Education Governance structure

Chair Mancuso presented the recommendation and answered general questions posed by Board members at this time regarding specific language within the recommendation.

On a motion duly made by Karin Forbes and seconded by Michael Bernstein, it was

VOTED: **Item 8c**
That the Rhode Island Board of Education endorses the broad principles set forth in the proposal reviewed this evening, with some of the language changes, to be forwarded to the Governor and the General Assembly for their consideration.

Vote: 10 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, Mathies Santos, and William Maaia

NAYS: 0

The motion passed unanimously.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Mancuso entertained a motion to enter into executive session to discuss:

- 9a. Discussion regarding President Nancy Carriuolo's Contract Renewal Evaluation pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a)(1)
- 9b. Discussion regarding President Ray M. Di Pasquale's Annual Evaluation Review pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a)(1)
- 9c. Discussion of President David m. Dooley's Annual Evaluation Review and of a ninety (90) day extension regarding the Outstanding Terms and Conditions of his contract as set forth in a letter addressed to President Dooley dated November 5, 2012 pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a)(1)
- 9d. Update on Collective Bargaining pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a)(2) (all bargaining units except Graduate Assistants United)

Chair Mancuso indicated that each President was notified in writing of their right to have these discussions held in open session, and none have indicated any objection to proceeding with this discussion in Executive Session.

On a motion duly made by Michael Grande and seconded by Colleen Callahan it was

VOTED: That the Rhode Island Board of Education convenes in Executive Session pursuant to RIGL §42-46-5(a)(1) and (a)(2) for the reasons set forth above.

A roll call vote on this motion was taken as follows:

Antonio Barajas: absent
Michael Bernstein: yes
Colleen Callahan: yes
Karin Forbes: yes
Jo Eva Gaines: yes
Michael A. Grande: yes
Patrick A. Guida: yes
William C. Maaia: yes
Lawrence Purtill: yes
Mathies Santos: yes
Eva-Marie Mancuso: yes

Vote: 10 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative.

After a short break, the Board convened in executive session at 7:12 p.m.

All non-Board members in the audience were excused with the exception Ronald A. Cavallaro, General Counsel, and Anne Marie Coleman, Director of Labor Relations.

The Board reconvened in open session at 7:52 p.m.

[Members Purtill and Callahan as well as President Carriuolo rejoined the meeting in open session at this time.]

On a motion duly made by Karen Forbes and seconded Jo Eva Gaines, it was

VOTED: That the Rhode Island Board of Education seal the minutes of the Executive Session discussion of December 9, 2013.

Vote: 10 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, Mathies Santos, and William Maaia

NAYS: 0

Chair Mancuso noted for the record that no votes were taken in Executive Session.

10. ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

Chair Mancuso presented the two actions items on this evening's agenda:

- a. Approval of President Nancy Carriuolo's contract renewal and negotiation; and
- b. Approval of a ninety (90) day extension regarding the deadline for the negotiation of the outstanding terms and conditions of President Dooley's contract as set forth in a letter addressed to him dated November 5, 2012

On a motion duly made by Lawrence Purtill and seconded by Michael Bernstein, it was

VOTED: That the Rhode Island Board of Education approves the

1. Renewal of President Carriuolo's contract for an additional three years; and
2. That the Chair be authorized to negotiate with President Carriuolo the remaining terms and conditions of this new contract, as discussed in Executive Session; and
3. That the final agreement be subject to (and submitted to) the Board for its approval.

Vote: 10 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, Mathies Santos, and William Maaia.

NAYS: 0

On a motion duly made by William Maaia and seconded by Colleen Callahan, it was

VOTED: That the Rhode Island Board of Education extend for 90 days (from December 31, 2013 to March 31, 2014) the negotiation deadline regarding the outstanding terms and conditions of President Dooley's contract that was set forth in the November 5, 2012 letter to him. President Dooley has been contacted and approves of this extension.

Vote: 10 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, Mathies Santos, and William Maaia.

NAYS: 0

11. NEXT MEETINGS

Thursday, January 9th, 4 p.m. at RIDE – Work Session

Monday, January 13th at 5:30 p.m. at North Kingstown High School

12. ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion duly made by Michael Grande and seconded by Karin Forbes, it was

VOTED: That the Rhode Island Board of Education adjourns.

Vote: 10 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative as follows:

YEAS: Eva-Marie Mancuso, Michael Bernstein, Colleen A. Callahan, Karin Forbes, Jo Eva Gaines, Michael A. Grande, Patrick Guida, Lawrence Purtill, Mathies Santos, and William Maaia.

NAYS: 0

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.