



**Enclosure 2a**  
**February 22, 2022**

**Minutes of the November 16, 2021  
Special Meeting**

**RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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Chair Cottam called the November 16, 2021, special meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. and acknowledged that a quorum was present.

**Present:** Michael Almeida  
\*Milly Asherov  
Amy Beretta  
Barbara Cottam  
Karen Davis  
Timothy DelGiudice  
Patricia DiCenso  
Jo Eva Gaines  
Rachelle Green  
Thomas Izzo  
Lawrence Purtill

**Absent:** Colleen Callahan  
\*Margo Cook  
Dennis Duffy  
\*Mike Grey  
Marta Martinez  
Michael Mello  
Marianne Monte  
\*Stephan Pryor  
\*Mackenzie Raimond  
Jeffery Williams

\*Ex-officio, non-voting member

Public access was provided via Zoom in compliance with the Open Meetings Act and the provisions of the Governor's Executive Order; contact information was provided for those experiencing technical difficulties.

Chair Cottam noted for the record that today's meeting is only for the purpose of voting on the action items that were considered at the Wednesday, November 10, 2021, Board meeting. While the agenda for the November 10, 2021, meeting, was posted at RIDE, at CCRI, on the Board of Education's website, and distributed to more than 10,000 stakeholders, there was an error in filing, and it was not posted on the Secretary of State's website.

**1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**

Chair Cottam asked for a motion to accept the agenda of the November 16, 2021, special meeting of the RI Board of Education.

On a motion duly made by Jo Eva Gaines and seconded by Amy Beretta, it was

**VOTED:** That, the RI Board of Education accepts the agenda for the November 16, 2021, Special Meeting

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

YEAS: Michael Almeida, Amy Beretta, Barbara Cottam, Karen Davis, Timothy DelGiudice, Patricia DiCenso, Jo Eva Gaines, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, and Lawrence Purtill

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

**2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**2a. Minutes of the September 1, 2021, Meeting**

Chair Cottam asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the September 1, 2021, meeting.

On a motion duly made by Patricia DiCenso and seconded by Michael Almeida, it was

**VOTED:** That the RI Board of Education approves the minutes of the September 22, 2020, meeting

Vote: 7 members voted in the affirmative and 0 members voted in the negative

YEAS: Michael Almeida, Barbara Cottam, Karen Davis, Patricia DiCenso, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, and Lawrence Purtill

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 3 - Amy Beretta, Timothy DelGiudice, and Jo Eva Gaines did not attend the September 1, 2021, meeting of the RI Board of Education

**3. Vote of incorporation of the materials into the record**

**a. Presentation materials and recording of the November 10, 2021, Board meeting**

On a motion duly made by Timothy DelGiudice and seconded by Jo Eva Gaines, it was

**VOTED:** That, the RI Board of Education approve to incorporate into the record, the presentation materials and recording of the November 10, 2021, Board meeting

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

**YEAS:** Michael Almeida, Amy Beretta, Barbara Cottam, Karen Davis, Timothy DelGiudice, Patricia DiCenso, Jo Eva Gaines, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, and Lawrence Purtill

**NAYS:** 0

**ABSTAINS:** 0

**4. ACTION ITEMS:**

**Enclosure 4a - Approval of the Concurrent Enrollment List of Course Offerings for Academic Year 2022-2023**

On a motion duly made by Timothy DelGiudice and seconded by Michael Almeida, it was

**VOTED:** That, the RI Board of Education approves the Concurrent Enrollment List of Course Offerings for Academic Year 2022-2023.

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

**YEAS:** Michael Almeida, Amy Beretta, Barbara Cottam, Karen Davis, Timothy DelGiudice, Patricia DiCenso, Jo Eva Gaines, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, and Lawrence Purtill

**NAYS:** 0

**ABSTAINS:** 0

**Enclosure 4b - Approval of the PK-12 Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2027**

On a motion duly made by Jo Eva Gaines and seconded by Amy Beretta, it was

**VOTED:** That, the RI Board of Education approves the PK-12 Fiscal Year 2023 through Fiscal Year 2027 Capital Budget Proposal, as presented.

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

YEAS: Michael Almeida, Amy Beretta, Barbara Cottam, Karen Davis, Timothy DelGiudice, Patricia DiCenso, Jo Eva Gaines, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, and Lawrence Purtill

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

**Enclosure 4c - Approval of the PK-12 Fiscal Year 2022 Revised and Fiscal Year 2023 Current Service Level Budgets**

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

**VOTED:** That, the RI Board of Education approves and transmits the PK-12 Fiscal Year 2022 Revised and the Fiscal Year 2023 Current Service Level Budgets to the RI State Budget Office

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

YEAS: Michael Almeida, Amy Beretta, Barbara Cottam, Karen Davis, Timothy DelGiudice, Patricia DiCenso, Jo Eva Gaines, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, and Lawrence Purtill

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

**Enclosure 4d - Approval of the Postsecondary Unrestricted and Restricted Budget Requests, Tuition and Fee Rates and Tables of Organization for Fiscal Year 2023 through Fiscal Year 2024, and the Unrestricted and Restricted Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2022**

On a motion duly made by Timothy DelGiudice and seconded by Jo Eva Gaines, it was

**VOTED:** That, the RI Board of Education approves the Council on Postsecondary Education System's recommendation regarding the public postsecondary education system's operating budget request for Fiscal Year, 2023, as presented, and further

That, the RI Board of Education approves the Council on Postsecondary Education's recommendation regarding the public postsecondary education system's tuition, mandatory fees, and auxiliary enterprise fees for the Fiscal Year 2023 as presented, reserving the right to readjust tuition and fees as needed upon notification of the Governor's recommendation and, later, upon action of the legislature, and further

That, the RI Board of Education approves the Council on Postsecondary Education's recommendation regarding the public postsecondary education system's Tables of Organization for Fiscal Year 2023, as presented, and further

That, the RI Board of Education approves the Council on Postsecondary Education's recommendation regarding the public postsecondary education system's budget allocation for the Fiscal Year 2022, as presented.

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

YEAS: Michael Almeida, Amy Beretta, Barbara Cottam, Karen Davis, Timothy DelGiudice, Patricia DiCenso, Jo Eva Gaines, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, and Lawrence Purtill

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

**Enclosure 4e - Approval of the Postsecondary Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Year 2023 through 2027**

On a motion duly made by Timothy DelGiudice and seconded by Jo Eva Gaines, it was

**VOTED:** That, the RI Board of Education approves the recommendation of the Council on Postsecondary Education regarding the public postsecondary system's Capital Improvement Plan for Fiscal Year 2023-2027

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

YEAS: Michael Almeida, Amy Beretta, Barbara Cottam, Karen Davis, Timothy DelGiudice, Patricia DiCenso, Jo Eva Gaines, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, and Lawrence Purtill

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

**Enclosure 4f - Advice and consent to the reappointment of Angélica Infante-Green, Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education, as recommended by the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education**

On a motion duly made by Jo Eva Gaines and seconded by Amy Beretta, it was

**VOTED:** That, the RI Board of Education gives its consent to a 3-year reappointment of Angélica Infante-Green as Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education, as recommended by the Council on Elementary and Secondary Education

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

**YEAS:** Michael Almeida, Amy Beretta, Barbara Cottam, Karen Davis, Timothy DelGiudice, Patricia DiCenso, Jo Eva Gaines, Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo

**NAYS:** 1 - Lawrence Purtill

**ABSTAINS:** 0

**7. UPCOMING MEETINGS**

Chairman Cottam stated the next meeting of the RI Board of Education is scheduled for Wednesday, February 2, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:**

Chair Cottam called for a motion to adjourn tonight's meeting.

On a motion duly made by Timothy DelGiudice and seconded by Amy Beretta, it was

**VOTED:** That, the RI Board of Education adjourns.

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

YEAS: Michael Almeida, Amy Beretta, Barbara Cottam, Karen Davis,  
Timothy DelGiudice, Patricia DiCenso, Jo Eva Gaines,  
Rachelle Green, Thomas Izzo, and Lawrence Purtill

NAYS: 0

ABSTAINS: 0

The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.