

Chariho School Committee Meeting
February 1, 2010
Regular Session Minutes

Committee Members Present: Chair Holly Eaves, Vice Chair Robert Petit, Deborah Carney, Michelle Cole, William Day, Andrew McQuaide (arrived at 6:03 PM and left at 7:55 PM), Andrew Polouski, Terri Serra (left at 6:42 PM) and Georgia Ure. Absent: George Abbott and Richard Vecchio.

Administrators Present: Superintendent Barry Ricci, Assistant Superintendent Carol Blanchette, High School Principal Robert Mitchell (left at 7:10 PM), High School Dean Cathy Downey (left at 7:10 PM), Special Education Director Kathy Perry (arrived at 7:10 PM and left at 7:50 PM) and Assistant Special Education Director Jennifer Durkin (arrived at 7:10 PM and left at 7:50 PM).

Also in attendance: Attorney for the School Committee Jon Anderson and School Committee Clerk Donna Sieczkiewicz.

I. Meeting Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Silent Meditation

Chair Holly Eaves called the meeting of the Chariho School Committee, which was held in the Chariho Middle School Library, to order at 6:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silent meditation.

II. Executive Session

Andrew Polouski made a motion, seconded by Terri Serra and it was VOTED: That the School Committee go into executive session at 6:00 PM and close the meeting to the public under the authority of R.I. General Laws Section 42-46-5(a)(4)(5)+(8) for the purpose of discussions pertaining to investigative proceedings regarding allegations of misconduct, either civil or criminal, for the purpose of discussions or considerations related to the acquisition or lease of real property for public purposes and for the purpose of discussions pertaining to student disciplinary hearings; any individuals to be discussed have been so notified. In favor: Unanimous (McQuaide was not in attendance for the vote).

The Committee returned to open session at 8:40 PM.

III. Closing/Sealing of Executive Session Minutes

Superintendent Ricci recommended that minutes pertaining to student disciplinary hearings remain sealed.

Michelle Cole made a motion, seconded by Deborah Carney and it was VOTED: To seal the executive session minutes pertaining to student disciplinary hearings. In favor: Unanimous (McQuaide and Serra were not in attendance for the vote).

Superintendent Ricci recommended that minutes pertaining to allegations of misconduct remain sealed.

Andrew Polouski made a motion, seconded by Deborah Carney and it was VOTED: That the executive session minutes pertaining to allegations of misconduct remain sealed. In favor: Unanimous (McQuaide and Serra were not in attendance for the vote).

Superintendent Ricci recommended that minutes pertaining to acquisition of property (CTC Agreement) remain sealed until such time as an agreement has been reached.

Andrew Polouski made a motion, seconded by Deborah Carney and it was VOTED: That the executive session minutes pertaining to acquisition of property (CTC Agreement) remain sealed until such time as an agreement has been reached. In favor: Unanimous (McQuaide and Serra were not in attendance for the vote).

IV. Disclosure of Executive Session Votes

Chair Eaves reported that a vote was taken in executive session pertaining to a student disciplinary hearing. The vote was 8 in favor with 1 opposed and 0 abstentions with Carney, Cole, Day, McQuaide, Petit, Polouski, Serra and Eaves voting in favor and Ure opposing.

Chair Eaves reported that a vote was taken in executive session pertaining to a student disciplinary hearing. The vote was 8 in favor with 0 opposed and 0 abstentions with Ure, Polouski, Petit, McQuaide, Day, Cole, Carney and Eaves voting in favor (Serra was not in attendance for the vote).

Chair Eaves reported that a vote was taken in executive session pertaining to acquisition of property (CTC Agreement). The vote was 5 in favor with 2 opposed and 0 abstentions with Carney, Cole, Polouski, Ure and Eaves voting in favor and Day and Petit opposing (McQuaide and Serra were not in attendance for the vote).

Chair Eaves reported that a vote was taken in executive session to return to open session. The vote was 7 in favor with 0 opposed and 0 abstentions with Ure, Polouski, Petit, Day, Cole, Carney and Eaves voting in favor (McQuaide and Serra were not in attendance for the vote).

V. Adjournment

Deborah Carney made a motion, seconded by Andrew Polouski and it was

VOTED: To adjourn at 8:41 PM. In favor: Unanimous (McQuaide and Serra were not in attendance for the vote).

Donna J. Sieczkiewicz, Clerk