

Providence School Department
797 Westminster Street
Providence, RI 02903

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

4-9-2025

1.0 Convene Meeting

1.1 Call to Order at 5:07 PM

Chairman Williamson – It is 5:07 on April 9, 2025 and I am calling this meeting to order.

Board Members in Attendance: Steve Williamson, Melissa Hughes, Night Ty’Relle Stephens, Night Jean Muhingabo and Anjel Newmann

Board Member Muhingabo arrived at 5:23 PM

Vice-President Newmann arrived at 5:56 PM

Also in attendance: Scott Sutherland, Zachary Scott, Christopher Petisce, Thomas Morgan, Paula Dillon, Michaela Keegan, Jennifer Connolly, Drew Echelson, Craig Creller, Superintendent Montañez and Aubrey Johnson

Due to technical difficulties, this meeting was not live streamed on YouTube.

2.0 Approve Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda as Presented

Chairman Williamson called for a Motion to Approve the Agenda as presented.

MSV – Hughes, Stephens (3-0) MOTION APPROVED

3.0 Consent Agenda

3.1 Minutes – 3-12-2025

Chairman Williamson called for a Motion to Approve the minutes.

MSV – Hughes, Stephens (3-0) MOTION APPROVED

Chairman Williamson – So now we will move into the Report on Contracts

4.0 Report on Contracts

4.1 FY 25-26 Curriculum Purchases

After a brief overview of the curriculum purchases for the District by Michaela Keegan, Paula Dillon and Jennifer Efflandt, Chairman Williamson asked for a Motion to approve this contract so it could be presented to the Full Board for final approval.

MSV – Hughes, Stephens (3-0) MOTION APPROVED

4.2 Instructure Contract for School Board Finance Committee Consideration

This contract was presented by Craig Creller for the District.

After a brief discussion on this contract, Chairman Williamson asked for a Motion to approve this contract so it could be presented to the Full Board for final approval.

MSV – Hughes, Stephens (3-0) MOTION APPROVED

4.3 Project Lead the Way Contract for School Board Finance Committee Consideration

This contract was also presented by Craig Creller who was filling in for Brett Dickens who did not attend the meeting.

After Mr. Creller finished presenting the contract, Chairman Williamson asked for a Motion to approve this contract so it could be presented to the Full Board for final approval.

MSV – Hughes, Stephens (3-0) MOTION APPROVED

4.4 The Stepping Stones Group Contract Amendment for School Board Finance Committee Consideration

This contract was presented by Sandra Stuart and Jennifer Connolly

After a brief discussion about this contract, Chairman Williamson asked for Motion to approve this contract so it could be sent to the Full Board for final approval.

MSV – Hughes, Stephens (4-0) MOTION APPROVED

5.0 Presentations

5.1 FY25-26 Budget Planning

This presentation was presented by Zachary Scott for the District

6.0 Adjourn Meeting

5.0 Adjourn Meeting at 6:16 PM

Due to the fact that there were many questions asked about the budget presentation, this meeting ran over and had to be adjourned so we could go into the Special School Board Meeting which was on the rise of this one.

MSV – Muhingabo, Stephens (5-0) MOTION APPROVED