Providence School Department

797 Westminster Street, Providence, RI 02903

Policy Committee Meeting

Wednesday, November 1, 2023 (5:30 PM)

Minutes

1.0 Convene Meeting

1.1 Call to Order- Meeting called to order by Carolina Roberts-Santana

Travis Escobar; Toni Akin were present; there was a quorum

Meeting was partially livestreamed due to technical difficulties-Youtube.com/ProvidenceSchoolBoardPolicyCommittee 11-01-2023

In Attendance: Percy Ackerman; Brother Ray Smith; BLM D. Supreme Richardson; Leah Jett; Michelle Johnson; Renee Duffaut; Cindy Townsend; Ty'Relle Stephens; Aubrey Johnson; Melissa Hughes; Brett Dickens; James Scott; Andrea Gustafson; Chiara Cooper

2.0 Approve Agenda

2.1 Approval of Agenda

Recommendation to Approve Agenda as presented

Moved Travis Escobar, seconded by Toni Akin, (3-0) Motion Approved

3.0 Consent Agenda

3.1 Approval of Minutes – October 4, 2023

Recommendation to Approve Minutes as presented

4.0 Policy & Planning

4.1 Discussion Relative to Policy Planning

Motion to move item 4.5 to the top of the agenda sequence.

Open discussion relating to policy planning

Moved Travis Escobar, seconded by Toni Akin, (3-0) Motion Approved

4.2 Update- Racial and Ethnic Policy Implementation

Nkoli Onye wasn't able to join the meeting, James Scott asked if they could move this item to the next committee in December

4.3 CTE Work Based Learning Policy

Motion approved to be sent to the next School Board Meeting on November 15. Original policy was discussed at the previous CTE Committee Meeting held on October 30.

Moved Travis Escobar, seconded Toni Akin, (3-0) Motion Approved

4.4 CTE Admissions

Motion approved to send for the first reading at the next school board meeting November 15. Original policy was discussed at the previous CTE Meeting held on October 30.

Moved Travis Escobar, seconded by Toni Akin, (3-0) Motion Approved

4.5 Student Code of Conduct-

James Scott discussed and ask to have the item held for review for next month's policy committee meeting. Motion to hold for the next policy meeting. Marc Catone will be overseeing the policy, suggestions were made and he will present at the next policy meeting in December

Moved Travis Escobar, seconded by Toni Akin (3-0) Motion approved

4.6 Providence School Board Code of Conduct

Travis Escobar presented for a discussion for School Board Code of Conduct. Motion tabled until Superintendent and Council can review legal language. Review at the next Policy Meeting December 6.

4.7 Providence School Board Communication Policy on Student Incidents

Travis Escobar presented and discussed this resolution with the committee; he would like to see monthly reports to track school incidents. Resolution is to move forward as presented.

Motion approved to send for the first read at the next school board meeting November 15, 2023.

4.8 Discussion Relative to School Board Resolutions

Travis Escobar presented and discussed with committee members. Motion approved to send for the first read at the next school board meeting November 15, 2023.

5.0 Adjourn

5.1 Adjourn Meeting- Meeting adjourned by Carolina Roberts-Santana at 7:21 PM

Moved Travis Escobar, seconded Toni Akin, (3-0) Motion Approved

Next Finance Committee Meeting November 8, 2023