

The Compass School

August 24, 2016 Meeting of the School Council

Minutes

Meeting Location: The Compass School, 537 Old North Road, Kingston,
RI 02881

Date and Time of Meeting: August 24, 2016 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Susannah Strong (SS), Rachel Axelson (RA), Nicole
Gardner (NG), Polly Cuddy (PC), Linsey Trombino
(LT), Nicole Saulan (NS)

Others Present: Brandee Lapisky (BL)

Presiding Officer: RA

1. Call to Order: Rachel Axelson, Council President, calls the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.
2. Roll Call
3. Adoption of Consent Agenda
 - a. Discussion/vote to approve Consent Agenda (including agenda of this meeting)

RA motions to adopt the consent agenda.

SS seconds

Discussion: none

Vote to adopt the consent agenda.

In Favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion passes. yes

4. New Staff Member Appointments (10 min)

- a. Explorer Teacher Assistant: Karen Baird
 - i. Note: This is an internal transfer.
 - ii. Discussion/ vote to appoint

RA entertained motions to appoint Karen Baird for Explorer Teacher Assistant Position

SS so moved

PC second

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Discussion: BL gave highlights on the idea of the assistant position transfer.

Vote to appoint Karen Baird for Explorer Teacher Assistant Position

In favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion passes. Yes

b. Adventurer Teacher Assistant: Elissa Hamilton

- i. Note: This is an internal transfer.
- ii. Discussion/Vote to appoint

Vote to appoint Elissa Hamilton to Adventurer Teacher Assistant

In favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion passes. Yes

c. Discoverer Teacher Assistant: Amy Goldblatt

- i. Discussion/Vote to appoint

RA entertains a motion to appoint Amy Goldblatt Discoverer Teacher Assistant

SS so moved

NG second

Discussion: none

Vote to appoint Amy Goldblatt Discoverer Teacher Assistant

In favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion passes. Yes

d. Occupational Therapist: Courtney Reilly

- i. Discussion/Vote to appoint

RA entertains a motion to approve Courtney Reilly as Occupational Therapist

NC so moved

SS second

Discussion: Stepping in for Kelly Sullivan. Courtney was previously employed by Compass in the teacher assistant role before earning her occupational therapist credentials.

Vote to appoint Courtney Reilly to the position of Occupational Therapist

In favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion passes. Yes

e. Business Manager: Michael Commendatore

- i. Discussion/Vote to appoint

RA entertains a motion to approve Michael Commendatore to Business Manager

LT so moved

PC second

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Discussion: SS requests clarity on the candidate's background. BL explains that he was employed in a charter school for one year and also has private sector financial experience.

Vote to appoint Michael Commendatore to Business Manager

In favor: 6 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Motion passes. Yes

5. New Business

BL Tomorrow is public PARCC release. We are excited for the results to go public. Our

school's math scores grew 11%.

6. Public Comment

7. Adjourn at 6:12 pm

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