

Committee Meeting Agenda/Minutes

Committee: BOE Grievance Committee			
Location: Superintendent's Office Chase Building/Room 158 236 Grand Street	Date of Meeting: Monday September 18, 2023	Start Time: 5:30 p.m.	Finish Time: 7:30 pm

Team Norms:
1. All meetings will start on time 2. All team members will agree to stay on specific agenda topics 3. A specific agenda will be set for all meeting

Commissioners Present:	Staff Present:
<i>Melissa Serrano Adorno, Margaret O'Brien, Juanita Hernandez and Ann Sweeney</i>	<i>Supt. Dr. Verna Ruffin, Juan Mendoza, Attorney Joseph Britton, Dan Berry, and Geen Thazhampallath</i> <i>OTHERS: Attorney Eric Brown, Michael Veronneau, and Robert Johnston.</i>

AGENDA			MOTION
	Agenda Item	Time Allotted	Motion by/seconded by Vote tally
1.	SAW Grievance 22-23-05	20 minutes	<i>Motion to convene in executive session regarding SAW Grievance 22-23-05; motion by Ann Sweeney, 2nd by Juanita Hernandez - unanimous 6:44 pm.</i> <i>Motion to return from executive session, no votes were taken; motion by Juanita Hernandez, 2nd by Ann Sweeney – unanimous 7:08 pm.</i> <i>Motion to recommend SAW Grievance 22-23-05 be denied; motion by Ann Sweeney, 2nd Juanita Hernandez – Yeas/3 Serrano Adorno, Hernandez, Sweeney with O'Brien recusing herself from the matter.</i>
	Adjournment		<i>Motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. - Hernandez, 2nd Sweeney – unanimous.</i>

Additional notes/minutes:

Attorney Eric Brown went through the history of the incident, maintaining the exercise of Grievant's best judgement, including the decision to call a shelter in place, in response to a report of a gun in the school.

Principal Veronneau spoke to the incident of a report of a student in possession of a gun. Notified the Principal of Wallace Middle School. Needed to find the student. Asked the SRO if a shelter in place was appropriate and called shelter in place.

Testimony by Geen T and Dan Barry centered on protocols for shelter in place and lockdown.

Minutes prepared by: ***Ann Sweeney***