



Council on Elementary and Secondary Education
Wednesday, April 30, 2025
5:30 p.m.
RIDE - Room 501

Members of the Public may also join via Zoom Webinar

Webinar ID:

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Providing public comment: The Council strongly encourages individuals interested in providing public comment to e-mail written comments to Christine.Kechejian@ride.ri.gov . These written statements will be shared with the Council in advance of the meeting. **Any written comments submitted after 4:00 p.m. the day of the meeting, will be shared with Council members after the meeting.**

If individuals prefer to provide verbal comment instead of a written statement, please e-mail Christine.Kechejian@ride.ri.gov **by 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 29, 2025**, to sign-up to comment during the Open Forum. Please note that during the Open Forum, only those individuals who have signed-up in advance of the meeting will be allowed to comment. The Open Forum will be limited to no more than 20 minutes; individuals are asked to limit their remarks to two (2) minutes or less.

In the event of technical difficulties during the meeting, please email Elizabeth.Cruz@ride.ri.gov

A recording of the meeting will be posted on the Board of Education's Webpage after the meeting.

1. ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a. February 26, 2025

[Enclosure 2a](#)

3. COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

- Math Matters RI Event
- 21st Century Technology and Equipment Fund Grants
- Menu for Success Student Food Truck Round Up
- Career and Technical Education for All Grants
- RI Pre K Lottery
- Virtual Learning Update

4. OPEN FORUM

5. DISCUSSION ITEM

- a. Recommendation to the MET Board of Trustees
- b. Certification Regulations
- c. Certification Test Changes
- d. PPSD Update

[Enclosure 5a](#)

[Enclosure 5b](#)

[Enclosure 5c](#)

6. ACTION ITEM

- a. Approval of Recommendation to the MET Board of Trustees
- b. Approval of Certification Regulations
- c. Approval of Certification Test Changes

[Enclosure 6a](#)

[Enclosure 6b](#)

[Enclosure 6c](#)

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(2):

- a. Discussion and action Tentative Agreements between RIDE and Local 2012, AFT, pertaining to the terms of a successor collective bargaining agreement between the parties; and
- b. Discussion of various pending litigation against the President, the Secretary of Education and other federal officials challenging the freezing and threatened withholding of federal aid to education and the dismantling of the U.S. Department of Education, including:
 - (a) *State of New York, et al. v. Donald Trump, et al.*, Case 1:25-cv-00039-JJM-PAS (D.R.I., filed January 28, 2025);
 - (b) *State of New York v. Donald Trump, et al.*, Case 1:25-cv-01144-JAV (S.D.N.Y., filed February 8, 2025);
 - (c) *State of New Mexico, et al. v. Elon Musk, et al.*, Case 1:25-cv-00429 (D. D.C., filed February 13, 2025);
 - (d) *State of New York, et al. v. Linda McMahon, et al.*, Case 1:25-cv-10601-MJJ (D. Mass., filed March 13, 2025); and
 - (e) *State of New York, et al. v. U.S. Dep't of Educ., et al.*, Case 1:25-cv-11116 (D. Mass., filed April 25, 2025).

8. ADJOURNMENT