

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE BROCKTON  
CITY COUNCIL AND BROCKTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

In City Council, November 28, 2016

Pursuant to Section D of Amendment 3 to the Southeastern Regional School District Agreement, the Brockton City Council and Brockton School Committee met jointly in the Council Chambers on Monday, November 28, 2016 with Councilor Cruise presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm with ten Council members being present and Councilor Barnes being absent. All members of the School Committee were present.

The Call of the Meeting that provided that the City Council and the School Committee shall meet in joint convention to appoint a member to serve out the balance of the unexpired term of Wayne McAllister on the Southeastern Regional School Committee was read and accepted and placed on file..

The Officer's Return showing service of notice of the meeting on members of the Council by Officer Sean Slattery was accepted and place on file.

Councilor Cruise proposed that each candidate be given time to speak, questions could then be asked, and then a vote would be taken. A majority would be required to be appointed and after the first vote the two highest vote getters would continue to the next vote. The process proposed by Councilor Cruise to be followed was accepted by consensus.

The following names were placed in nomination by motions made and duly seconded:

Steven C. Abrams

Gwendolyn Barnes

Tony Branch

Gerson Monteiro

Councilor Sullivan moved to close the nominations and the motion was seconded and carried by a hand vote.

Each candidate was then given approximately five (5) minutes to make a statement to the members of the City Council and School Committee.

Members of the City Council and School Committee were given the opportunity to ask questions of the candidates.

A roll call vote was then taken to appoint a member to serve out the balance of the unexpired term of Wayne McAllister on the Southeastern Regional School Committee. On the first vote taken, Steven C. Abrams received the votes of Councilor Beauregard, Cruise, School Committee Member D'Agostino, School Committee Member Minichiello, Councilor Rodrigues, School Committee Member Judy Sullivan for a total of 6 votes; Gwendolyn Barnes received the votes of School Committee Member Gormley and Councilor Lally for a total of 2 votes,; Tony Branch received the votes of School Committee Member Joyce Asack Councilor Asack, Mayor Bill Carpenter, Councilor Thomas Monahan, Councilor Studenski, Councilor Robert Sullivan, and School Committee Member Timothy Sullivan for a total of 7 votes; and Gerson Monteiro received the votes Councilor Eaniri, Councilor Farwell and School Committee Member Plant.

The totals after the first vote were:

Steven C. Abrams 6

Gwendolyn Barnes 2

Tony Branch 7

Gerson Monteiro 3

A second vote was then taken by roll call to appoint a member to serve out the balance of the unexpired term of Wayne McAllister on the Southeastern Regional School Committee with the remaining candidates being Steven C. Abrahams and Tony Branch.

On the second vote taken, Steven C. Abrams received the votes of Councilor Beauregard, Cruise, School Committee Member D'Agostino, Councilor Eaniri, Councilor Farwell, School Committee Member Minichiello, School Committee Member Plant, Councilor Rodrigues, and School Committee Member Judy Sullivan for a total of 9 votes, and Tony Branch received the votes of School Committee Member Joyce Asack Councilor Asack, Mayor Bill Carpenter, School Committee Member Gormley, Councilor Lally, Councilor Thomas Monahan, Councilor Studenski, Councilor Robert Sullivan, and School Committee Member Timothy Sullivan for a total of 9 votes.

The totals after the second vote were:

Steven C. Abrams 9

Tony Branch 9

A third vote was then taken by roll call to appoint a member to serve out the balance of the unexpired term of Wayne McAllister on the Southeastern Regional School Committee with the remaining candidates being Steven C. Abrahams and Tony Branch.

On the third vote taken, Steven C. Abrams received the votes of Councilor Beauregard, Cruise, Councilor Eaniri, Councilor Farwell, School Committee Member Gormley, School Committee Member Minichiello, School Committee Member Plant, Councilor Rodrigues, and School Committee Member Judy Sullivan for a total of 9 votes, and Tony Branch received the votes of School Committee Member Joyce Asack, Councilor Asack, Mayor Bill Carpenter, School Committee Member D'Agostino, Councilor Lally, Councilor Thomas Monahan, Councilor Studenski, Councilor Robert Sullivan, and School Committee Member Timothy Sullivan for a total of 9 votes.

The totals after the second vote were:

Steven C. Abrams 9

Tony Branch 9

A brief recess of the meeting was taken at 8:15 p.m.

The meeting was called back to order at 8:25 p.m.

A fourth vote was then taken by roll call to appoint a member to serve out the balance of the unexpired term of Wayne McAllister on the Southeastern Regional School Committee with the remaining candidates being Steven C. Abrahams and Tony Branch.

On the fourth vote taken, Steven C. Abrams received the votes of Councilor Beauregard, Cruise, Councilor Eaniri, Councilor Farwell, School Committee Member Gormley, School Committee Member Minichiello, Councilor Rodrigues, and School Committee Member Judy Sullivan for a total of 8 votes, and Tony Branch received the votes of School Committee Member Joyce Asack, Councilor Asack, Mayor Bill Carpenter, School Committee Member D'Agostino, Councilor Lally, Councilor Thomas

Monahan, School Committee Member Plant, Councilor Studenski, Councilor Robert Sullivan, and School Committee Member Timothy Sullivan for a total of 10 votes.

The totals after the second vote were:

Steven C. Abrams 8

Tony Branch 10

Tony Branch was declared the appointed member to serve out the balance of the unexpired term of Wayne McAllister on the Southeastern Regional School Committee.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.