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**Minutes
Special Meeting – October 31, 2023**

- I. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Chair Kyza Callwood.
- II. Roll Call
The following were present: Kyza Callwood, Emmanuella Perez-Cassius, Shawna K. Richards, Arah C. Lockhart, Winona A. Hendricks, Terrence Joseph, and Nandi Sekou, Esq.
Absent: Judy M. Gomez, Esq. was absent.
Staff Present: IED Bess, AED Prentice
- III. Certifications
MOTION: Mbr. Hendricks moved to accept the certification candidates for the St. Croix and St. Thomas-St. John districts
SECOND: Mbr. Joseph
Yea (7) –K. Callwood, W. Hendricks, A. Lockhart, T. Joseph, S. Richards, E. Perez-Cassius and N. Sekou
Absent (1) – J. Gomez
The motion carried.
MOTION: Mbr. Hendricks moved to extend the time that ECE educators may exercise Option 1 & 2 in the VIBE policy to October 31, 2024 in light of our REL NEI partners completion of the PD micro-modules and to extend any ECE conditional certificates to October 31, 2024 to allow ECE educators to be fully certified by the October 31, 2024 deadline.
SECOND: Mbr. Joseph
Yea (8) –K. Callwood, W. Hendricks, A. Lockhart, T. Joseph, S. Richards, E. Perez-Cassius, N. Sekou and J. Gomez
The motion carried
Candidates will be notified of their certification.

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VISION STATEMENT

Each child is provided with the best quality education which guarantees academic excellence, promotes our history and culture, and builds strong local and global communities.

IV. Adjournment

MOTION: Mbr. Joseph moved to adjourn.

SECOND: Mbr. Hendricks and Sekou

The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:11 p.m.

Submitted By:



Shawna K. Richards, PMP
Secretary