

Rhode Island Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
Wednesday, June 21, 2006
MEETING MINUTES

Commissioners Attending: T. Zellner, J. Ronan, P. Thompson, R. Cooper, J. Daniels and K. Blue

Commissioners Absent: J. Desmarais-Valdez, S. Goldenberg, J. Tolento, L. Sack and E. Rawlings,

Public:

Staff Attending: S. Florio (Exec. Director)

Communication Accommodations: ASL Interpretation and CART

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by the Chair Travis Zellner, in Dept. of Administration Building, Providence, RI.

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Jack motions to accept 4/20/06 minutes as written. Patti seconds. Motion pass.

Joanne motions to accept 4/27/06 minutes as written. Jack seconds. Motion pass.

Joanne motions to convene into Executive/Closed Session at 6:50pm. Patti seconds.

Executive/Closed Session ends at 7:10pm

Revised job descriptions for Interpreter Referral Specialists, Program Manager and Executive Director were approved.

OFFICERS' REPORTS:

Chair: None

Vice-Chair: None

Treasurer: None.

Secretary: None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

See attached Executive Director's Report for details.

BYLAWS COMMITTEE REPORT: None

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT: Brief review of Commissioner terms in Bylaws. Vacant positions of (1) Hearing, (1) Deaf and (1) Hard of Hearing to be advertised shortly.

HOSPICE COMMITTEE REPORT: Volunteers are almost complete with their trainings. Currently searching for a Hard of Hearing volunteer.

HEALTHCARE COMMITTEE REPORT: Dr. Bartel has recently joined the committee and the agendas are moving along productively. Surveys are being developed.

AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT: Soon to start advertising.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Jack motions and Patti seconded to approve policies/procedures for Interpreter Referral Specialists and furthermore approves any alternations by review of attorney. Motion pass.

Meeting convenes at 8:07pm

Respectfully submitted,

Travis Zellner, Chair