

ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE STATE PUBLICATIONS CLEARINGHOUSE MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Advisory Committee was held on Oct 11, 2005 in the Department of Administration Building, in the Reserved Dining Room. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. The following people were present: Susan Dunn, Tom Evans, Greg Facincani, Betty Fitzgerald, Linda Caisse and Deborah Mongeau.

MINUTES

The minutes of the July 19, 2005 meeting were accepted as submitted.

UPDATE ON CLEARINGHOUSE ACTIVITIES

- The Secretary of State's webpage will offer an electronic town crier in late October. All notices, filings, meeting dates, meeting minutes, etc. that are sent electronically to the Secretary of State will be accessible.**
- GovTracker is now live on the Secretary of State's webpage at <http://www.sec.state.ri.us/> Search for government officials, state departments and agencies, the RI judiciary, and more. Send feedback on this site to GovTracker@sec.state.ri.us**
- The Find-it.gov link is no longer working. It has been replaced by RI.Gov**
- Greg will visit depository libraries this fall. He wants to assess each**

library's organization and usage of state documents, and how libraries are making state information available to their clientele. He is particularly interested in the electronic capabilities of each library.

OTHER BUSINESS

· The Committee discussed state law Title 29 Chapter 7, regarding the State Publications Clearinghouse. Currently the law requires all state agencies to deposit 25 copies of printed material with the Clearinghouse. As more and more documents are made available in an electronic format, concerns were raised over the distribution and permanent access to the e-documents. The law should be revised to ensure current and future access to these documents. Tom will consult with legal counsel for advice on re-writing the law. Drafts will be sent to Committee members for review before the January meeting. Tom hopes to submit legislation before the end of the filing period in February.

· The 2006 Advisory Committee for the State Publications Clearinghouse meetings have been scheduled for the following dates at 2:00 p.m.:

January 9, 2006

April 3, 2006

July 11, 2006

October 10, 2006

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan E. Dunn

Recording Secretary