



Governor's Commission on Disabilities Hearing Board Minutes

Tuesday November 20, 2012 4:30 - 5 PM

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	<p>Attendees: Judith Drew (Chair.); Ronald McMinn (Vice Chair.); Frederick Burke; & James Pitassi Absent: Arthur Plitt</p>
<p>Guests:</p>	<p>Benjamin M. Scungio, esq. - North Providence School Committee's Legal Counsel</p>
<p>Staff:</p>	<p>Bob Cooper</p>
	<p>4:30 Call to Order and Acceptance of the Minutes, Judith Drew, Chair Chair calls the meeting to order at 4:38 PM Introductions of Commissioners and guests</p>
Action Items:	
	<p>4:35 Election of Vice Chair, Judith Drew, Chair Purpose/Goal: To elected a vice chair. Discussion: Members reviewed the duties of the vice chair, preside at meetings in the absence of the chair and represent the board at meetings of the Executive Committee</p>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>MOTION: To nominate and elect as Vice Chair Ronald McMinn, JP/FB passed, passed Abstain RMcM.</p>
	<p>4:40 Request for Open Meeting Telecommunication Accommodation Waiver - Stephen Palmieri, North Providence School Committee Member , Bob Cooper, Executive Secretary Purpose/Goal: To decide determine if Stephen Palmieri meets the criteria for an Open Meeting Telecommunication Accommodation Waiver Discussion: The members reviewed the application and Mr. Palmieri's doctor's report. They discussed with Mr. Scungio effective telecommunication options to ensure Mr. Palmieri had equal access to all information as the other members of the school committee (able to see and hear all speakers, view and material distributed at the meeting, including material submitted by members of the public. The members request feedback from Mr. Palmieri on the effectiveness of the telecommunication accommodations after a couple meetings. It was suggested that a high school student might be used to operate the audio/video equipment, at the open meetings.</p>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>MOTION: To grant Stephen Palmieri of the North Providence School Department an Open Meeting Telecommunications Accommodation Waiver from Nov. 21, 2012 to April 21, 2013, with the potential for an extension. RMcM/FB passed unanimously</p>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>5:00 Adjournment, Judith Drew, Chair</p>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>MOTION: To adjourn at 5:09 PM, RMcM/FB passed unanimously</p>