



Description of graphic: RI State Seal an anchor in gold behind a blue wheelchair logo. Just below is a blue banner with the state motto "Hope". All are in the center of a ring of 8 blue stars, in groups of 2 separated by the logos for Braille, hearing aids, low vision and amplified phone.

Governor's Commission on Disabilities Business Meeting Minutes

Monday December 13, 2010 5 - 7 PM

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Attendees: R. Timothy Flynn (Chair.); Dr. Kate McCarthy-Barnett (Vice Chair.); Cristina Amedeo; Sharon Brinkworth; Frederick Burke; Dr. Judith Drew; Roger Harris; William Inlow; Arthur Plitt; Msgr. Gerard Sabourin; Sarah Everhart Skeels; Theresa Thaelke; & Linda Ward

Absentees: Jeanne Behie; Julie DeRosa; Laura Jones; Katherine Lowe; Lisa McKay; Ronald McMinn; James Pitassi; & Patricia Ryherd

Guests: Anthony Robinson, RI House of Representatives

Staff: Bob Cooper, Secretary

	Agenda Topics	Moderator/Leader	Time
	Call to Order and Acceptance of the Minutes	R. Timothy Flynn, Chairperson	5:00

Chair calls the meeting to order at 5 PM
Introductions of Commissioners and guests

MOTION: To accept the minutes of the previous meeting as presented RH/LW passed unanimously

Action Items:			
	Adoption of the Commission's FY 2010 Annual Report and FY 2011 & 2012 Operational Plan	Tim Flynn & Bob Cooper, Executive Secretary	5:05

Purpose/Goal: 42-51-6 Governor's Commission on Disabilities-Duties. It shall be the duty of the commission

(5) From time to time, but not less than once a year, to report to the legislature and the governor, describing the investigations, proceedings, and hearings the commission has conducted and their outcome, the decisions it has rendered, and the other work performed by it, and make recommendations for further legislation concerning abuses and discrimination based on disability that may be desirable.

Discussion: Commissioners discussed the report and recommended changes in

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the format, as well as correction of the salutation.				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <small>voting check off graphic</small>	MOTION: To adopt as revise to correct the salutation to the Governor Elect, split the chapters with a page breaks & uniform chapter headings in the Commission's FY 2010 Annual Report and FY 2011 & 2012 Operational Plan AP/SES passed unanimously			
Status of the Commission's FY 2011 and 2012 Budget Requests		Tim Flynn, Chair & Bob Cooper	5:15	
Purpose/Goal: To decide whether to appeal the Budget Office's FY 2011 and FY 2012 recommendations for the Commission's budget				
Discussion: The Budget Office's recommendations:				
	FY 2011		FY 2012	
Account	Unconstrained Request	Budget Office Recommends	Unconstrained Request	Budget Office Recommends
Operations	\$339,212	\$337,097	\$362,094	\$362,080
Fellowships	\$10,350	\$10,350	\$10,350	\$10,350
DBE	\$18,271	\$15,861	\$17,995	\$17,189
NE ADA Grant	\$22,978	\$21,975	\$44,063	\$42,111
HAVA Grant	\$176,044	\$174,238	\$140,385	\$139,731
Public Forums	\$9,108	\$9,108	\$9,264	\$9,264
RICAP	\$298,474	\$298,474	\$250,000	\$250,000
Grand Total	\$874,437	\$867,103	\$833,207	\$830,261
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <small>voting check off graphic</small>	MOTION: To accept the Budget Office's FY 2011 and FY 2012 Budget Recommendations for the Commission's budget BI/RH passed, AP Abstained			
MOTION: To direct the Legislation Committee to draft and submit legislation to repeal the Disability Parking and State Coordinating Committee on Disability Rights, BI/AP passed unanimously				
 <small>Signing contract</small>	Ratification of the NE ADA Center Grant FFY 2011 Contract	Bob Cooper	5:25	
Discussion: The major changes from the prior year's contract were reviewed: mandatory training on the new regulations, implementing the ADA Amendments Act, and the impact on the staff.				
MOTION: To adopt the NE ADA Contract as presented LW/KMC-B passed unanimously				

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 Balancing Budget graphic	Adoption of Commission's Policy Recommendations to Governor Elect	Tim Flynn & Bob Cooper	5:30
Purpose/Goal: To provide the Governor Elect and incoming administration with advice on services to people with disabilities.			
Discussion: See attached draft report "Promoting Independence and Employment First"			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> voting check off graphic	MOTION: To adopt as revised the "Promoting Independence and Employment First" Report to include transportation in section 2 & 4 and B transportation bullet points (and transportation table in appendix) direct the executive committee to approve the revised language. AP/RH passed unanimously		
 Announcer graphic	Announcements	Tim Flynn	6:50
The Governor elect is having a stake-holder's meeting this Friday at RIC - none of the Commissioners nor the Commission has been invited. JD will see if a Commission representative can be invited.			
 calendar graphic	Agenda and Scheduling the Next Meeting	Tim Flynn	6:55
Items to be placed on the next meeting's agenda: Regular Reports, etc.			
Next meeting will be on: Monday January 24, 2011 5 - 7 PM			
 alarm clock graphic	Adjournment	Tim Flynn	7:00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> voting check off graphic	MOTION: To adjourn 6:25 PM.		