

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT BOARD**

MEETING OF BOARD MEMBERS

JUNE 19, 2008

A meeting of the members of the Public Finance Management Board (“PFMB”) was held on Thursday, June 19, 2008 at 11:30 a.m. in Room 135, State House, Providence, Rhode Island pursuant to duly posted public notice of the meeting and notice duly given to all members.

**Membership Roll Call: Frank T. Caprio, General Treasurer and Chair
- not present**

Mr. Mark Dingley, Legal Counsel/Chief of Staff *

Mr. Emanuel Barrows, Public Member

Mr. William Fazioli, Public Member

Ms. Rosemary Booth Gallogly, R.I. State Budget Officer – not present

Mr. Robert A. Mancini, Public Member

The Honorable A. Ralph Mollis, Secretary of State - not present

Mr. Lincoln Mossop, Public Member - not present

*** Designated as Treasurer Caprio’s voting proxy for June 19, 2008
Meeting**

Mr. Dingley was formally designated as the Treasurer's voting proxy for this PFMB Meeting. In addition to Mr. Dingley, the following Staff members were present: Mr. Michael J. Solomon, Executive Director for Operations; Eugene G. Bernardo II, Esq., Legal Counsel from Partridge Snow & Hahn LLP; Robert Bromley, State Fiscal office; Anthony Paolantonio, R.I. House of Representatives; and other members of the Treasurer's Staff. Also present were: Mr. Richard Hartley, Treasurer of RIHMFC, and Mr. Charles Kelly, Executive Director of RI Student Loan Authority.

There being a quorum present, Chief of Staff Dingley called the meeting to order at 11:33 a.m.

Public Finance Management Board Minutes. Mr. Barrows stated his name had been incorrectly spelled in the minutes as Manuel; the correct spelling is Emanuel. This being noted, Mr. Barrows moved, Mr. Mancini seconded and the following motion was passed. The following members voted in favor: Mr. Barrows, Mr. Fazioli, Mr. Mancini, and Chief of Staff Dingley.

VOTED: To approve the Minutes of the April 1, 2008 Meeting, as amended

Rhode Island Student Loan Authority ("RISLA"). Chief of Staff Dingley stated the next item on the agenda was a request for approval from RISLA for a \$74 million private activity volume cap allocation for

tax-exempt bonds that will be issued in July 2008. He introduced Mr. Charles Kelly, Executive Director of RI Student Loan Authority

Ms. Kelly thanked the Board for the previous allocation, which was used for private education loans. He remarked that RISLA was very thankful to the Treasurer for accompanying them to the closing, noting that his participation had helped them obtain financing in a very difficult market. Mr. Kelly stated the current request of \$74 million is for federal student loans. He stated the amount needed may only be \$69 million. In which case, the balance of \$5 million will revert back to the PFMB for reallocation. The anticipated closing date is in July 2008 contingent on the progress made with the two letter of credit banks RISLA is dealing with. They plan to raise \$69 to \$74 million in tax exempt bonds along with an additional \$30 million in taxable bonds.

There being no further questions, Chief of Staff Dingley entertained a motion to approve an allocation of volume cap of up to \$74 million to RISLA. Mr. Mancini moved, Mr. Barrows seconded and the following motion was passed. The following members voted in favor: Mr. Barrows, Mr. Mancini, and Chief of Staff Dingley. Mr. Fazioli recused himself from the vote due to a conflict of interest and filed the necessary paperwork with the State of Rhode Island Ethics Commission.

VOTED: To approve an allocation of volume cap in the amount of up

to \$74,000,000 to the Rhode Island Student Loan Authority; and provided that if this volume cap allocation is not used on or before December 1, 2008, it shall revert back to and be reserved by the PFMB for reallocation.

New Business. Chief of Staff Dingley stated that the contract for legal representation for the PFMB is up for renewal in August 2008. It was not on the agenda for this meeting, so the PFMB will vote for ratification of the contract with Partridge Snow & Hahn LLP at the September 18, 2008 meeting.

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

**Frank T. Caprio
General Treasurer**