

Regional Board of Superintendents' Meeting

Northern Rhode Island Collaborative

Main Office

2352 Mendon Road

Cumberland, RI 02864

Minutes

A regular meeting of the Regional Board of Superintendents was held at the Main Office, 2352 Mendon Road, Cumberland, RI 02864, on **Tuesday, May 3, 2005**. The meeting was called to order at 1:09 p.m. by Mr. Joseph Nasif, Chairman.

In addition to Mr. Nasif, the following board members were present: Dr. Chevrette, Dr. D'Acchioli, Dr. Dellith, Ms. Iacovelli, Mr. O'Brien, and Dr. Tindall-Gibson, as well as, Julian E. MacDonnell, Jr., Executive Director, Dr. Robert Fricklas, Assistant Director, and Craig Enos, Business Manager.

Mr. Nasif entertained a motion to approve today's agenda, which was moved by Dr. D'Acchioli and seconded by Mr. O'Brien, carried by all.

Routine Matters:

Dr. D'Acchioli motioned to approve Items 1& 2, which was seconded by Dr. Dellith, carried by all.

1.0 The Minutes of the Meeting of April 5, 2005

<u>Moved:</u>	Dr. D'Acchioli	<u>Approved:</u>	Dr. Chevrette
<u>Seconded:</u>	Dr. Dellith		Ms. Iacovelli
			Mr. Nasif
			Mr. O'Brien
			Dr. Tindall-Gibson

2.0 Bills for the month of April 2005

<u>Moved:</u>	Dr. D'Acchioli	<u>Approved:</u>	Dr. Chevrette
<u>Seconded:</u>	Dr. Dellith		Ms. Iacovelli
			Mr. Nasif
			Mr. O'Brien
			Dr. Tindall-Gibson

Executive Session:

Pursuant to Chapter 42-46-5(a) 1&2 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, Mr. Nasif entertained a motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 1:10 p.m., which was moved by Dr. D'Acchioli, seconded by Dr. Chevrette. A roll call vote was carried by all.

The closed session ended at 1:50 p.m.

Communications and Reports:

3.0 Nothing to report.

Appointments:

4.0 Nothing to report.

New Business:

5.0 St. James Lease - Addendum

The Executive Director reported that Fr. Dick Deslauniers of St. James Parish contacted him to renegotiate the present 2005-2008 lease agreement. Mr. MacDonnell provided copies of Fr. Deslauniers' proposed addendum to the Board which transfers the use of the present St. James CCD Office to the Collaborative in exchange for meeting rooms A and B and transfers the responsibility of utility costs to the Collaborative.

After review, Dr. D'Acchioli motioned to approve the proposed addendum, which was seconded by Dr. Chevrette, carried by all.

Moved: Dr. D'Acchioli

Seconded: Dr. Chevrette

Approved: Dr. Dellith

Ms. Iacovelli

Mr. Nasif

Mr. O'Brien

Dr. Tindall-Gibson

6.0 NRIC Main Office Lease

The Executive Director is recommending the renewal of the lease with North Country Associates for two years for the Collaborative's Main Office.

Mr. O'Brien questioned if the fire violations that were identified by the fire marshal 1-2 years ago were corrected and if they were the responsibility of the Collaborative. Mr. MacDonnell was not aware of this situation. Mrs. Jannetta advised that she did remember some of the items being corrected such as the exit lighting signs, self-closing doors, and the installation of fire alarms but did not remember the issue of widening of the hallways/corridors. Mr. O'Brien also questioned the last time the facility was inspected. Mrs. Jannetta thought it was summer 2004.

The consensus of the Board was to check on these items before signing the lease and to table further discussion to the June meeting.

7.0 Strategic Literacy Initiative (SLI)

The Executive Director provided information to the Board on National Institutes in Reading Apprenticeship presented by Strategic Literacy Initiative. Mr. MacDonnell reported that this nationally recognized secondary ed reading program was brought forward by the Curriculum Leadership Team as a program they would be interested in pursuing. It is a “trainer of trainers” program and the Collaborative could support a portion of the cost to train a team of people who would then train the districts. Mr. MacDonnell advised that we have not yet received a formal proposal.

Old Business:

8.0 Nothing to report.

Informational Matters:

9.0 Nothing to report.

Round Robin

- Dr. D’Acchioli advised of a change in the 2005-06 Recommended School Calendar. Monday, January 2, 2006 is the observed holiday for New Year’s Day and there will be no school on this day.
- Ms. Iacovelli questioned if the Board owns the new building/property. Mr. MacDonnell advised that the NRIC Holding Company owns the property.

With no further information to report, Mr. Nasif entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:03 p.m., which was moved by Dr. D’Acchioli and seconded by Dr. Dellith, carried by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Jannetta