

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 2, 2006**. The meeting was called to order at 1:16 p.m. by Dr. Barbara VonVillas, Vice-Chairman, in the absence of Chairman, Robert O'Brien.

In addition to Dr. VonVillas, the following Board members were present: Dr. Cirillo, Mr. Lindberg, Dr. Morelle, and Dr. Ottaviano, as well as, Julian E. MacDonnell, Jr., Executive Director, Dr. Robert Fricklas, Assistant Director, and Craig Enos, Business Manager. Guest: Attorney Benjamin Scungio.

Routine Matters:

Dr. VonVillas entertained a motion to approve Items 1 -2, which was moved by Dr. Ottaviano, seconded by Mr. Lindberg, carried by all.

1.0 The Minutes of the Meeting of April 11, 2006

<u>Moved:</u>	Dr. Ottaviano	<u>Approved:</u>	Dr. Cirillo
<u>Seconded:</u>	Mr. Lindberg		Dr. Morelle
			Dr. VonVillas

2.0 Bills for the month of April 2006

<u>Moved:</u>	Dr. Ottaviano	<u>Approved:</u>	Dr. Cirillo
<u>Seconded:</u>	Mr. Lindberg		Dr. Morelle
			Dr. VonVillas

Communications and Reports:

3.0 Correspondence from Dr. Anthony D'Acchioli

<u>Moved:</u>	Dr. Ottaviano	<u>Approved:</u>	Mr. Lindberg
<u>Seconded:</u>	Dr. Cirillo		Dr. Morelle
			Dr. VonVillas

Appointments:

4.0 Nothing to report

Executive Session:

Pursuant to Chapter 42-46-5(a) 1 & 2 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, Dr. VonVillas entertained a motion to enter into Executive Session at 1:17 p.m. for discussion of Item #5 - Reorganization 2006-07 / Job Descriptions, which was moved by Dr. Morelle and seconded by Dr. Ottaviano; an individual vote was taken and the motion was carried by all. The closed session ended at 2:15 p.m.

New Business:

5.0 Reorganization 2006-07 / Job Descriptions

This item was discussed in Executive Session.

The Board of Superintendents voted to support a resolution which states that:

- 1.) The Executive Director is hereby directed to present to the Regional Board of Superintendents a proposed plan to ensure that the Collaborative is delivering programs and services in an efficient, cost effective, and appropriate manner.
- 2.) The Executive Director is hereby directed to present to the Regional Board of Superintendents a proposed plan to ensure that the Collaborative is making all reasonable efforts to keep tuitions at an affordable rate; and
- 3.) The Executive Director is hereby directed to present to the Regional Board of Superintendents a plan which anticipates and accommodates any potential reduction in educational sites as well as potential reduction in student enrollment.

<u>Moved:</u>	Mr. Lindberg	<u>Approved:</u>	Dr. Morelle
<u>Seconded:</u>	Dr. Cirillo		Dr. Ottaviano
			Dr. VonVillas

The Board of Superintendents voted to approve the Executive Director’s recommendation to bring back three Program Coordinator positions in support of the Reorganization Plan for 2006-07 and to re-introduce the position of Assistant Special Education Director.

<u>Moved:</u>	Dr. Ottaviano	<u>Approved:</u>	Dr. Cirillo
<u>Seconded:</u>	Mr. Lindberg		Dr. Morelle
			Dr. VonVillas

Discussion took place regarding review of the job descriptions, in particular the Assistant Special Education Director. Dr. Ottaviano amended her motion to vote on the job position only.

<u>Moved:</u>	Dr. Ottaviano	<u>Approved:</u>	Dr. Cirillo
<u>Seconded:</u>	Mr. Lindberg		Dr. Morelle
			Dr. VonVillas

The Executive Director reported that more details on the salary range and job descriptions will follow at the next meeting.

Old Business:

6.0 Building Project Update:

The Executive Director reported that due to the absence of a quorum at the conclusion of the April meeting, the vote that took place regarding the St. James property needs to be ratified. Mr. MacDonnell advised that Rev. Desaulniers of St. James Church and the Diocese are willing to sell St. James School along with the Convent property to the Collaborative. Mr. MacDonnell is requesting the Board's approval to conduct an in-depth appraisal of the property.

<u>Moved:</u>	Dr. Cirillo	<u>Approved:</u>	Dr. Morelle
<u>Seconded:</u>	Mr. Lindberg		Dr. Ottaviano
			Dr. VonVillas

Informational Matters:

13.0 Nothing to report.

Other:

- Mr. MacDonnell advised that the proposed Graduate Literacy Program with Providence College has been approved. Don Holder, Assistant Superintendent in Smithfield, is finalizing the details.
- Dr. Morelle advised that regarding the Collaborative's request to utilize classrooms at St. Joan's for the summer, Cumberland is still in negotiations with St. Joan's Church.
- Mr. Lindberg questioned the process of placing an item on the NRIC's Board Agenda.

With no further information to report, Dr. VonVillas entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 p.m., which was moved by Mr. Lindberg and seconded by Dr. Cirillo, carried by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Jannetta