

Regional Board of Superintendents' Meeting

Northern Rhode Island Collaborative

At

Burrillville High School

Media Center

425 East Avenue

Harrisville, RI

Minutes

A regular meeting of the Regional Board of Superintendents was held at Burrillville High School's Media Center, 425 East Avenue, Harrisville, RI, on Tuesday, August 15, 2006. The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chairman, Robert O'Brien.

In addition to Mr. O'Brien, the following Board members were present: Dr. Cirillo, Ms. Iacovelli, Mr. Lindberg, Dr. Morelle, Dr. Ottaviano, Mr. Papitto, Dr. Tindall-Gibson and Mr. Welford, as well as Julian E. MacDonnell, Jr., Executive Director and Craig Enos, Business Manager. Guest: Attorneys Benjamin Scungio, Andrew Henneous, Steven Cicilline.

Routine Matters:

Mr. O'Brien entertained a motion to approve Item 1, which was moved by Dr. Ottaviano and seconded by Dr. Cirillo, carried by all.

1.0 The Minutes of the Meeting of July 5, 2006

Moved: Dr. Ottaviano

Approved: Dr. Cirillo

Seconded: Dr. Cirillo

Ms. Iacovelli
Mr. Lindberg
Dr. Macera
Mr. O'Brien
Dr. Ottaviano
Mr. Papitto
Dr. Tindall-Gibson
Mr. Welford

Mr. O'Brien entertained a motion to approve Item 2, which was moved by Mr. Lindberg and seconded by Dr. Ottaviano, carried by all.

2.0 Bills for the month of July, 2006

Moved: Mr. Lindberg

Approved: Dr. Cirillo

Seconded: Dr. Ottaviano

Ms. Iacovelli
Mr. Lindberg
Dr. Macera
Mr. O'Brien
Dr. Ottaviano
Mr. Papitto
Dr. Tindall-Gibson
Mr. Welford

Communications and Reports:

3.0 Resignation of Harry Weaver, Occupational Therapist

The Executive Director recommended the Board accept the resignation of Harry Weaver, Occupational Therapist. A motion was made by Dr. Ottaviano, seconded by Mr. Lindberg, carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Ottaviano

Seconded: Mr. Lindberg

Approved:

Dr. Cirillo

Ms. Iacovelli

Mr. Lindberg

Dr. Macera

Mr. O'Brien

Dr. Ottaviano

Mr. Papitto

Dr. Tindall-Gibson

Mr. Welford

4.0 Resignation of Rebecca Koczan, Social Worker

The Executive Director recommended the Board accept the resignation of Rebecca Koczan, Social Worker. A motion was made by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Ms. Iacovelli, carried by all.

Moved: Mr. Lindberg

Seconded: Ms. Iacovelli

Approved:

Dr. Cirillo

Ms. Iacovelli

Mr. Lindberg

Dr. Macera

Mr. O'Brien

Dr. Ottaviano

Mr. Papitto

Dr. Tindall-Gibson

Mr. Welford

5.0 Resignation of Wendy Williams, Teacher (SAP)

The Executive Director recommended the Board accept the resignation of Wendy Williams, Teacher (SAP). A motion was made by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Ms. Iacovelli, carried by all.

Moved: Mr. Lindberg

Seconded: Ms. Iacovelli

Approved:

Dr. Cirillo

Ms. Iacovelli

Mr. Lindberg

Dr. Macera

Mr. O'Brien

Dr. Ottaviano

Mr. Papitto

Dr. Tindall-Gibson

Mr. Welford

6.0 Resignation of Meloney Gill, Instructional Assistant (SAP Floater)

The Executive Director recommended the Board accept the resignation of Meloney Gill, Instructional Assistant (SAP Floater). A motion was made by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Ms. Iacovelli, carried by all.

Moved: Mr. Lindberg

Seconded: Ms. Iacovelli

Approved:

Dr. Cirillo
Ms. Iacovelli
Mr. Lindberg
Dr. Macera
Mr. O'Brien
Dr. Ottaviano
Mr. Papitto
Dr. Tindall-Gibson
Mr. Welford

Appointments:

7.0 Appointment of Jane Signorelli-Slade, Transition Employment Center Manager

The Executive Director recommended the Board accept the appointment of Jane Signorelli-Slade as the Transition Employment Center Manager. A motion was made by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Ms. Iacovelli, carried by all.

Moved: Mr. Lindberg

Seconded: Ms. Iacovelli

Approved:

Dr. Cirillo
Ms. Iacovelli
Mr. Lindberg
Dr. Macera
Mr. O'Brien
Dr. Ottaviano
Mr. Papitto
Dr. Tindall-Gibson
Mr. Welford

8.0 Appointment of Thomas Costello, Lead Transition Employment Center Facilitator

The Executive Director recommended the Board accept the appointment of Thomas Costello as the Lead Transition Employment Center Facilitator. A motion was made by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Ms. Iacovelli, carried by all.

Moved: Mr. Lindberg

Seconded: Ms. Iacovelli

Approved:

Dr. Cirillo
Ms. Iacovelli
Mr. Lindberg
Dr. Macera
Mr. O'Brien
Dr. Ottaviano
Mr. Papitto
Dr. Tindall-Gibson
Mr. Welford

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12.0 Professional Development Academy 2006-07

The Executive Director reported that courses will be offered again at NRIC in 06-07 through R. I. College and Providence College on the following:

- "ReAuthorization of IDEA 2004" - David Kane
- "Autism Spectrum Disorders & Implication for Intervention" - Sue Constable
- "Current Legal Issues for School Administrators" - David Kane
- "Vocabulary Instruction: Using Research & Best Practice to Bring Words to Life in the Elementary Classroom" - Diana Lachance
- "Models & Processes of Literacy" - Dr. Beverly Paesano

The Executive Director also reported a series of workshops will be held for Special Education Directors including Wilson Training, Lindamood, and Supports & Intervention.

13.0 Student Interrogation Policy

The Executive Director requested the Board's review and approval of the new Student Interrogation Policy pursuant to R.I. General Law 16-21.5-1.

Dr. Ottaviano motioned to approve the policy, which was seconded by Mr. Tindall-Gibson, carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Ottaviano
Seconded: Mr. Tindall-Gibson

Approved: Dr. Cirillo
Ms. Iacovelli
Mr. Lindberg
Dr. Macera
Mr. O'Brien
Dr. Ottaviano
Mr. Papitto
Dr. Tindall-Gibson
Mr. Welford

14.0 Termination/Layoff Hearings

Program Coordinators

Mary Ellen Dubuc
Martha Perkins
Jane Signorelli-Slade

Attorney Scungio introduced Attorney Steven Cicilline to the Board.

Executive Session: - Closed session pursuant to Chapter 42-46-5(a) 1&2 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island.

At this time, Mr. O'Brien, Chairman, entertained a motion to enter into Executive Session at 2:13 p.m., which was moved by Dr. Morelle, seconded by Ms. Iacovelli. A role call vote was taken and the motion was carried by all.

The closed session ended at 2:34 p.m.

Open session reconvened at 2:35 p.m., Chairman O'Brien advised that due to the absence of two Board members, the scheduled Termination/Layoff Hearings are postponed to September 13th at 2:00 p.m. at Burrillville Middle School.

Attorney Mark Gursky, representing the NRICEU, addressed the Committee and Attorney Cicilline responded.

Attorney Gursky, Mr. Mike Mullane, and Mr. Francis Casey were therefore excused from the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

Mr. O'Brien entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:42 p.m., which was moved by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Ms. Iacovelli, and carried by all.

Moved: Mr. Lindberg
Seconded: Ms. Iacovelli

Approved: Dr. Cirillo
Ms. Iacovelli
Mr. Lindberg
Dr. Macera
Mr. O'Brien
Dr. Ottaviano
Mr. Papitto
Dr. Tindall-Gibson
Mr. Welford

Respectfully submitted,

Robert O'Brien, Chair