

# Regional Board of Superintendents' Meeting

Northern Rhode Island Collaborative

2352 Mendon Road

Cumberland, RI 02864

## Minutes

A regular meeting of the Regional Board of Superintendents was held at D. Carlo Trattoria, 970 Douglas Pike, Smithfield, RI, on **Tuesday, December 5, 2006**. The meeting was called to order at 12:52 p.m. by Chairman, Robert O'Brien.

In addition to Mr. O'Brien, the following Board members were present: Dr. Cirillo, Dr. Holland, Mrs. Iacovelli, Mr. Lindberg, Dr. Macera, Dr. Morelle, Dr. Ottaviano, Mr. Welford as well as Julian E. MacDonnell, Jr., Executive Director, Dr. Robert E. Fricklas, Assistant Director, and Craig Enos, Business Manager. Guests: Attorneys Benjamin Scungio and Katherine McAllister.

### **Routine Matters:**

Mr. O'Brien entertained a motion to approve Agenda Items 1-2, which was moved by Mr. Lindberg and seconded by Dr. Cirillo, carried by all.

#### **1.0 The Minutes of the Meeting of November 7, 2006**

Moved: Mr. Lindberg

Approved:

Dr. Cirillo

Seconded: Dr. Cirillo

Mr. Holland

Ms. Iacovelli

Mr. Lindberg

Dr. Macera

Dr. Morelle

Mr. O'Brien

Dr. Ottaviano

Mr. Welford

#### **2.0 Bills for the month of November, 2006**

Moved: Mr. Lindberg

Approved:

Dr. Cirillo

Seconded: Dr. Cirillo

Mr. Holland

Ms. Iacovelli

Mr. Lindberg

Dr. Macera

Dr. Morelle

Mr. O'Brien

Dr. Ottaviano

Mr. Welford

**Communications and Reports:**

3.0 Nothing to report.

**Appointments:**

4.0 Nothing to report.

**Old Business:**

**5.0 High School Principal Reform Training**

The Executive Director reported that the next meeting in the series for High School Principal Reform Training will be held on Thursday, December 21, 2006 at 2:45 p.m. Component V – “Policy Infrastructure and Data Use” will be discussed. Mr. MacDonnell will distribute the flyer and will request districts to share info on their policies. Superintendents are also encouraged to attend this meeting.

**6.0 Strategic Plan**

The Executive Director distributed copies of the NRIC Goals that were identified at the Strategic Planning Session that took place in August 2005. Mr. MacDonnell requested the Board’s direction and support regarding the next steps to be taken.

Discussion ensued regarding moving forward and prioritizing the top issues for each district. The Board agreed to focus on each of the goals as an agenda item at future Board meetings. The January meeting will focus on the financial piece and cooperative purchasing. District Business Managers will be invited to attend.

**7.0 Professional Development – Set Aside**

Mr. O’Brien, Chairman, recommended that monies be set aside for professional development for planning and assisting with districts’ needs. A new professional development opportunity with URI will take place at NRIC in the Spring 2007.

After discussion, Dr. Macera motioned to approve setting aside \$200,000 in seed money for the Collaborative’s efforts with professional development. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cirillo and carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Macera  
Seconded: Dr. Cirillo

Approved: Dr. Cirillo  
Mr. Holland  
Ms. Iacovelli  
Mr. Lindberg  
Dr. Macera  
Dr. Morelle  
Mr. O’Brien  
Dr. Ottaviano  
Mr. Welford

The Executive Director distributed the results of the survey regarding professional development and districts' linkages with higher education. The survey will be updated.

**New Business:**

**8.0** Nothing to report.

**Informational Matters:**

- The Executive Director distributed copies of a proposal from Mr. Robert Wall, Assistant Special Education Director, regarding "Providing Professional Support to School Districts for Returning Out of District Students: Identification, Ongoing Embedded Professional Support, and Satellite Classrooms".
- Discussion took place regarding the SchoolMax Student Information System.

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

Nothing to report.

With no further information to report, Mr. O'Brien entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:25 p.m., which was moved by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Dr. Morelle, and carried by all.

Moved: Mr. Lindberg  
Seconded: Dr. Cirillo

Approved: Dr. Cirillo  
Mr. Holland  
Ms. Iacovelli  
Mr. Lindberg  
Dr. Macera  
Dr. Morelle  
Mr. O'Brien  
Dr. Ottaviano  
Mr. Welford

Respectfully submitted,

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Robert O'Brien, Chair

