

# 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 2352 Mendon Road, Cumberland, RI, on **Tuesday, April 3, 2007**. The meeting was called to order at 1:20 p.m. by Chairman, Robert O'Brien.

In addition to Mr. O'Brien, the following Board members were present: Dr. Dellith, Mrs. Iacovelli, Mr. Lindberg, and Dr. Morelle, as well as Julian E. MacDonnell, Jr., Executive Director, Dr. Robert E. Fricklas, Assistant Director, and Craig Enos, Director of Administration.

### **Routine Matters:**

Mr. O'Brien entertained a motion to approve Agenda Items 1-4, which was moved by Mr. Lindberg, seconded by Mrs. Iacovelli, carried by all.

#### **1.0 The Minutes of the Meeting of March 6, 2007 and Annual Meeting Minutes of March 29, 2007**

Moved: Mr. Lindberg

Seconded: Mrs. Iacovelli

Approved: Dr. Dellith  
Mrs. Iacovelli  
Mr. Lindberg  
Dr. Morelle  
Mr. O'Brien

#### **2.0 Bills for the month of March, 2007**

Moved: Mr. Lindberg

Seconded: Mrs. Iacovelli

Approved: Dr. Dellith  
Mrs. Iacovelli  
Mr. Lindberg  
Dr. Morelle  
Mr. O'Brien

### **Communications and Reports:**

**3.0** Nothing to report.

**Appointments:**

**4.0** Nothing to report.

**Old Business:**

**5.0 High School Principal Reform Seminar**

The Executive Director reported that Component III “Supports to Staff” was completed at the last meeting of the High School Principals. Mr. MacDonnell questioned the Board if they wanted to continue with further sessions. Discussion followed and it was suggested the April meeting be held regarding sharing of information on the submission of the May Report to the Commissioner.

**6.0 Strategic Planning – Professional Development Survey**

The Executive Director reported that seven responses were received regarding the Professional Development Survey and the results will be discussed at the next meeting of the Curriculum Leadership Team on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Mr. MacDonnell identified that common areas of need were: Data to Improve Instruction, Differentiated Instruction, Reading Across the Curriculum, Math/Numeracy, Science and Wilson Reading.

Mr. O’Brien gave an update on the URI Oceanography/Bob Ballard project and advised that before he pursues a national grant, he is encouraging participation of all districts. He advised of the possibility of the next panel at NRIC. He advised that high school teachers are needed for the next phase of the project. It was suggested by Dr. Dellith that a meeting with district high school science teachers be held on the program. Dr. Dellith requested a written description of the program; however, Mr. O’Brien indicated that since this program is so new, there is nothing in writing as yet.

**7.0 Building Update**

The Executive Director reported that there was nothing new to report at this time.

**New Business:**

**8.0** Nothing to report.

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

The Board did not enter into Executive Session.

**Informational Matters:**

- Mr. MacDonnell distributed copies of a Connecticut Data Conference.
- Mr. O'Brien advised of a RISSA meeting on Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup> regarding a proposed education funding formula. Discussion followed regarding legislation.

With no further information to report, Mr. O'Brien entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:10 p.m., which was moved by Dr. Dellith, seconded by Ms. Iacovelli, and carried by all.

Moved: Mr. Lindberg  
Seconded: Mrs. Iacovelli

Approved: Dr. Dellith  
Mrs. Iacovelli  
Mr. Lindberg  
Dr. Morelle  
Mr. O'Brien

Respectfully submitted,

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Robert O'Brien, Chair