

Regional Board of Superintendents' Meeting

Northern Rhode Island Collaborative

2352 Mendon Road

Cumberland, RI 02864

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Minutes

A regular meeting of the Regional Board of Superintendents was held at 2352 Mendon Road, Cumberland, RI, on **Tuesday, July 17, 2007.** The meeting was called to order at 1:29 p.m. by Chairman, Robert O'Brien.

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

Routine Matters:

Dr. Dellith motioned to approve Agenda Items 1-4, which was seconded by Dr. Ottaviano, carried by all.

1.0 The Minutes of the Meeting of June 5, 2007

Moved: Dr. Dellith

Approved: Dr. Cirillo

Seconded: Dr. Ottaviano

Dr. Dellith

Ms. Fortunato

Dr. Gallo

Ms. Iacovelli

Dr. Macera

Dr. Morelle

Mr. O'Brien

Dr. Ottaviano

Mr. Welford

2.0 Bills for the month of June, 2007

Moved: Dr. Dellith

Approved: Dr. Cirillo

Seconded: Dr. Ottaviano

Dr. Dellith

Ms. Fortunato

Dr. Gallo

Ms. Iacovelli

Dr. Macera

Dr. Morelle

Mr. O'Brien

Dr. Ottaviano

Mr. Welford

Communications and Reports:

3.0 Resignation of Joan Hardigan, Instructional Assistant

The Executive Director recommended the Board accept the resignation of Joan Hardigan, Instructional Assistant.

Moved: Dr. Dellith

Seconded: Dr. Ottaviano

Approved:

Dr. Cirillo

Dr. Dellith

Ms. Fortunato

Dr. Gallo

Ms. Iacovelli

Dr. Macera

Dr. Morelle

Mr. O'Brien

Dr. Ottaviano

Mr. Welford

Appointments:

4.0 Nothing to report.

Old Business:

5.0 Strategic Planning – Professional Development

Chairman O'Brien reported that 90 teachers have signed up to attend the "Expedition to the Black Sea" professional development activity in August 2007. Mr. O'Brien was pleased with the response and advised that the Governor and Jack Reed will be invited. Mr. O'Brien encouraged Superintendents and their School Committees to also attend.

The Executive Director reported that Gail Scowcroft from URI would like to address the Board at the September Board Meeting to discuss future professional development opportunities.

6.0 Building Update

Chairman O'Brien recommended that this agenda item be tabled to the August Meeting.

New Business:

7.0 Meeting Schedule 2007-08

The Executive Director presented that the proposed meeting schedule for 2007-08 to the Board for their review. A possible morning meeting time was suggested. Superintendents will check on their availability and the schedule will be discussed at the August meeting.

8.0 Employment Non-Renewals:

The Executive Director recommended the employment non-renewals of the following personnel as a result of a decrease in student enrollment and lack of classrooms for the 2007-08 school year.

Instructional Assistants:

Sandra Grady
Peggy McClure
Linda Brierly
Jessica Marshall
Sylvie Snow
Maureen Dowdel
Pearl Cartier
Dolores Bury
Ann-Marie Lally
Margaret Bonner
Isabel Farinho
Pauline DiSpirito
Krystal Cagnon
Victoria Rodriguez
MaryAnn Charbatji
Deborah Brousseau
Jennifer Manco
Lisa Villucci
Andrew Dagesse

Site Clerk:

Patricia Russell

Dr. Dellith motioned to approve the Executive Director's recommendation, which was seconded by Dr. Cirillo, and carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Dellith

Seconded: Dr. Cirillo

Approved:

Dr. Cirillo
Dr. Dellith
Ms. Fortunato
Dr. Gallo
Ms. Iacovelli
Dr. Macera
Dr. Morelle
Mr. O'Brien
Dr. Ottaviano
Mr. Welford

9.0 Operating Budget 2007-08

The Executive Director presented the 2007-08 NRIC Budget to the Board for their review and approval. Mr. MacDonnell distributed and reviewed copies of the 2007-08 Budget Savings along with a copy of a review of Staff Reductions, and Background on NRIC Surplus & Tuition Increases. He also reviewed Proposed Tuition Options: Option A – Actual Increase; Option B – 10% Increase; and Option C – 5% Increase.

During discussion, Mr. Welford suggested that the ESY Budget be incorporated into the regular Operating Budget as one entity and that the surplus be applied as a whole.

After discussion, Mr. Welford then motioned to combine the ESY Budget as part of the total FY 2007-08 Operating Budget and maintain it as one single budget effective with the FY 2008 Budget. The motion was seconded by Ms. Fortunato and was carried by all.

Moved: Mr. Welford

Approved: Dr. Cirillo

Seconded: Ms. Fortunato

Dr. Dellith

Ms. Fortunato

Dr. Gallo

Ms. Iacovelli

Dr. Macera

Dr. Morelle

Mr. O'Brien

Dr. Ottaviano

Mr. Welford

It was agreed that further discussions on the Budget will take place at the next meeting.

Mr. O'Brien entertained a motion to table Agenda Item #10 Non-Contractual Personnel Salary Increases 2007-08 and Agenda Item #11 Administrative Salary Increases 2007-08 to the next meeting. A motion was made by Dr. Morelle, seconded by Ms. Fortunato, carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Morelle

Approved: Dr. Cirillo

Seconded: Ms. Fortunato

Dr. Dellith

Ms. Fortunato

Dr. Gallo

Ms. Iacovelli

Dr. Macera

Dr. Morelle

Mr. O'Brien

Dr. Ottaviano

Mr. Welford

Informational Matters:

- Nothing to report.

With no further information to report, Mr. O'Brien entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:47 p.m., which was moved by Dr. Dellith, seconded by Dr. Macera, and carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Dellith
Seconded: Dr. Macera

Approved: Dr. Cirillo
Dr. Dellith
Ms. Fortunato
Dr. Gallo
Ms. Iacovelli
Dr. Macera
Dr. Morelle
Mr. O'Brien
Dr. Ottaviano
Mr. Welford

Respectfully submitted,

Robert O'Brien, Chair