

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, June 3, 2008**. The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. by Chairman, Robert O'Brien.

In addition to Mr. O'Brien, the following Board members were present: Dr. Barnes, Dr. Dellith, Ms. Fortunato, Ms. Iacovelli, Mr. Lindberg, Dr. Morelle, and Mr. Welford, as well as Julian E. MacDonnell, Jr., Executive Director, and Craig Enos, Director of Administration. Guests: Attorney Benjamin Scungio and Neil Amper of Rodman Real Estate, Inc.

Routine Matters:

1.0 The Minutes of the May 6, 2008

Moved: Ms. Iacovelli

Seconded: Dr. Dellith

Dr. Dellith requested a modification be made to the Minutes on Page 4 under Agenda Item #9 to read "Dr. Dellith advised he was not aware of the substance of her request". The Minutes were approved as amended.

Moved: Ms. Fortunato

Seconded: Ms. Iacovelli

Approved: Dr. Barnes

Dr. Dellith

Ms. Fortunato

Ms. Iacovelli

Dr. Morelle

Mr. O'Brien

Mr. Welford

2.0 Bills for the month of May, 2008

Moved: Ms. Iacovelli

Seconded: Mr. Welford

Approved: Dr. Barnes

Dr. Dellith

Ms. Fortunato

Ms. Iacovelli

Dr. Morelle

Mr. O'Brien

Mr. Welford

Move into Closed Executive Session pursuant to Chapter 42-46-5(a) 1, 2 & 5 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island for legal advice related thereto.

Chairman O'Brien entertained a motion to enter into Executive Session at 1:05 pm, which was moved by Mr. Welford, seconded by Ms. Iacovelli; an individual vote was taken and carried by all.

<u>Moved:</u>	Mr. Welford	<u>Approved:</u>	Dr. Barnes
<u>Seconded:</u>	Ms. Iacovelli		Dr. Dellith
			Ms. Fortunato
			Ms. Iacovelli
			Dr. Morelle
			Mr. O'Brien
			Mr. Welford

(Mr. Lindberg arrived at 1:06 pm).

The closed session concluded at 2:46 pm. No votes were taken.

Old Business:

3.0 Strategic Planning – Professional Development Update

The Executive Director distributed information related to the cost of contracting with Michael Schmoker at \$8,000 per day for 'Results Now in RI'. Mr. MacDonnell advised that by opening up the trainings to include administrators from other districts at \$125 per half-day session, we can generate revenue to cover all expenses.

Mr. MacDonnell requested the Board's approval to move forward and confirm with Michael Schmoker.

<u>Moved:</u>	Mr. Welford	<u>Approved:</u>	Dr. Barnes
<u>Seconded:</u>	Ms. Fortunato		Ms. Fortunato
			Ms. Iacovelli
<u>Abstained:</u>	Dr. Dellith		Mr. Lindberg
			Dr. Morelle
			Mr. O'Brien
			Mr. Welford

Mr. O'Brien gave an update on the Bob Ballard project. He advised that he has received a commitment from NOAA and financial support from RIDE for 2010. There will be a live broadcast in November. Training for teachers will be provided before the broadcast so that teachers can access from their own buildings. Teams of teachers will be trained on the use of the equipment for future expeditions. URI has agreed to give 3 college credits. Mr. O'Brien would like to see 100% teacher participation.

4.0 Building Update

This item was discussed in Executive Session.

5.0 2008-09 NRIC Budget

Craig Enos, Director of Administration, reviewed the 2008-09 Budget Impacts and projected expenses. The Executive Director requested the Board's approval of the Summer Tuition Rates only. Discussion followed.

Dr. Dellith motioned to approve the Summer 2008 Tuition Rates, which was seconded by Ms. Fortunato, carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Dellith

Approved: Dr. Barnes

Seconded: Ms. Fortunato

Dr. Dellith

Ms. Fortunato

Ms. Iacovelli

Mr. Lindberg

Dr. Morelle

Mr. O'Brien

Mr. Welford

New Business:

6.0 Rescind Employment Non-Renewals

The Executive Director recommended the employment non-renewals of the following personnel be rescinded for the 2008-09 school year.

Teachers

P. Hainsworth

T. Hoover

E. Neves

J. Cataloni

Social Worker

Joanna Wood

Physical Therapist

J. Wentworth

Occupational Therapist

C. O'Brien

Dr. Dellith motioned to approve as presented, seconded by Ms. Iacovelli, carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Dellith

Approved: Dr. Barnes

Seconded: Ms. Iacovelli

Dr. Dellith

Ms. Fortunato

Ms. Iacovelli

Mr. Lindberg

Dr. Morelle

Mr. O'Brien

Mr. Welford

7.0 Request for Special Board Meeting

This item was discussed during Executive Session.

8.0 NRICEU Negotiations

This item was discussed during Executive Session.

9.0 RIDE Audit Letter

The Executive Director provided a copy of a letter received from RIDE as a result of our submitting the 2007 NRIC Financial Statements. RIDE informed us that there are no findings that require further attention.

With no further information to report, Mr. O'Brien entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 p.m., which was moved by Dr. Dellith, seconded by Ms. Iacovelli, and carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Dellith
Seconded: Ms. Iacovelli

Approved: Dr. Dellith
Ms. Fortunato
Ms. Iacovelli
Dr. Morelle
Mr. O'Brien
Mr. Welford

Respectfully submitted,

Robert O'Brien, Chair