

**Regional Board of Superintendents' Meeting**  
**Northern Rhode Island Collaborative**  
640 George Washington Highway, Suite 200  
Lincoln, RI 02865

**Minutes**

A regular meeting of the Regional Board of Superintendents was held at 640 George Washington Highway, Suite 200, Lincoln, RI, on **Tuesday, August 5, 2014.**

The following Board members were in attendance: Dr. Barnes, Dr. DiLullo, Ms. Fortunato, Dr. Gallo, and Ms. Smith, as well as Joseph M. Nasif, Jr., Executive Director, and Craig Enos, Director of Administration. Guest: Attorney Benjamin Scungio.

**I. Opening of Meeting:**

Chair, Georgia Fortunato, called the meeting to order at 8:04 am with a motion by Dr. DiLullo, seconded by Dr. Gallo and carried by all.

**II. Approval of Minutes:**

Ms. Fortunato entertained a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 8, 2014, which was moved by Dr. DiLullo, seconded by Dr. Gallo, carried by all.

<u>Moved:</u>	Dr. DiLullo	<u>Approved:</u>	Dr. Barnes
<u>Seconded:</u>	Dr. Gallo		Dr. DiLullo
			Ms. Fortunato
			Dr. Gallo
			Ms. Smith

Ms. Fortunato entertained a motion to approve the Executive Session Meeting Minutes of July 8, 2014, which was moved by Ms. Smith, seconded by Dr. Gallo, carried by all.

<u>Moved:</u>	Ms. Smith	<u>Approved:</u>	Dr. Barnes
<u>Seconded:</u>	Dr. Gallo		Dr. DiLullo
			Ms. Fortunato
			Dr. Gallo
			Ms. Smith

**III. Old Business:**

**A. Consider/discussion and update on Pathways to Graduation Summer 2014 Program**

Mr. Nasif reported that the program is in its second week and is doing very well with approximately 70 students attending. Mr. Nasif felt that the postponing of the NECAP

graduation requirement affected enrollment in the program. The program will conclude this Thursday, August 7<sup>th</sup> with presentations by the students and then a barbecue.

**B. Consider/discussion and possible vote on RIDE Induction Program**

Mr. Nasif reported that commitments from the districts have been slow. According to Hilda Potrzeba, eight new teacher applications have been received. Lisa Peterson has been hired by Lincoln. Mr. Nasif provided copies to the Board of the Induction Training Schedules and Forums for 2014-2015.

**C. Consider/discussion and possible vote on Contract with NRICEU**

Mr. Nasif provided copies of the proposed NRICEU Collective Bargaining Agreement for July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017 developed with the assistance of Attorney Ben Scungio for the Board's review. Mr. Nasif reported that the Union has agreed with 99% of the document questioning one item.

Chair Fortunato entertained a motion to approve the NRIC/NRICEU Collective Bargaining Agreement for July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017, which was moved by Dr. DiLullo, seconded by Dr. Gallo and carried by all.

Moved: Dr. DiLullo  
Seconded: Dr. Gallo

Approved: Dr. Barnes  
Dr. DiLullo  
Ms. Fortunato  
Dr. Gallo  
Ms. Smith

**IV. New Business:**

**A. Consider/discussion and possible vote on Rescinding Employment Non-Renewal of Non-Certified Staff 2014-2015**

Ms. Fortunato, Chair, entertained a motion to approve the Executive Director's recommendation to rescind the employment non-renewal of the following non-certified staff for 2014-15:

Career Resource Specialists:  
Justine Beatini  
Donald Blais  
Kerri McLaughlin

The motion was moved by Dr. Gallo, seconded by Ms. Smith and carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Gallo  
Seconded: Ms. Smith

Approved: Dr. Barnes  
Dr. DiLullo  
Ms. Fortunato  
Dr. Gallo  
Ms. Smith

**V. Appointment of Teacher Assistants**

Ms. Fortunato entertained a motion to approve the appointment of Teacher Assistants Dorothy Tedeschi and Stephen Mazzone, which was moved by Dr. Barnes, seconded by Dr. Gallo and carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Barnes  
Seconded: Dr. Gallo

Approved: Dr. Barnes  
Dr. DiLullo  
Ms. Fortunato  
Dr. Gallo  
Ms. Smith

**VI. Expense Warrants for July 2014**

Ms. Fortunato entertained a motion to approve the Bills for July 2014, which was moved by Dr. Gallo, seconded by Ms. Smith, carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Gallo  
Seconded: Ms. Smith

Approved: Dr. Barnes  
Dr. DiLullo  
Ms. Fortunato  
Dr. Gallo  
Ms. Smith

**VII. Executive Director Report:**

**A. Opening of 2014-15 School Year**

Mr. Nasif reported that NRIC's opening day for staff will be on Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup> for Orientation for a review of policies and procedures; Tuesday, August 26<sup>th</sup> for Professional Development Day for CPI refresher training. Opening for students will be Wednesday, August 27<sup>th</sup>. Student enrollment is close to 100. NRIC's sites are St. James, Emmanuel, the Apartment and the AOP in Cranston, along with TEC.

**VIII. Executive Session:**

**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:**

- a. NRIC Negotiations

Ms. Fortunato, Chair, advised nothing to report in Executive Session.

**IX. Information:**

Nothing to report.

With no further information to report, Ms. Fortunato entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:13 am, which was moved by Dr. Gallo, seconded by Ms. Smith and carried by all.

Moved: Dr. Gallo  
Seconded: Ms. Smith

Approved: Dr. Barnes  
Dr. DiLullo  
Ms. Fortunato  
Dr. Gallo  
Ms. Smith

Respectfully submitted,

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Ms. Georgia Fortunato, Chair