

Rhode Island Atomic Energy Commission

Meeting of 10 December 2012

16 Reactor Road

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11:05 AM

Dr. Mecca called to order the emergency meeting of the Rhode Island Atomic Energy Commission to handle the sudden departure of the director of the Rhode Island Nuclear Science Center. Dr. Mecca chaired the meeting; present were Commissioners Dr. Gromet, Dr. Kadak, Dr. Nassersharif and Dr. Nunes. Staff present were Stephen Guarino, Sophia Lenihan, and C. Hathaway. Dr. Thomas Mannock of state personnel also attended.

1. Approval of minutes of the September 7th meeting:

To conserve meeting time, Dr. Nassersharif made a motion to table the approval of the September 7th meeting minutes until the next meeting. Dr. Gromet seconded the motion. The motion was to table the minutes was passed unanimously.

2. For the record, Dr. Mecca read the December 6th email (attached) from Dr. Terrence Tehan indicating his retirement effective December 21st and creating the urgency for beginning the process of replacing him. The Commission discussed the hiring of an interim Director while the search for a new director was being conducted. Dr. Tom Mannock from State Personnel explained that a limited appointment

of 90 days can be made while the search for a new director took place. He also explained that the earliest start date for the temporary position would be 12/23/12 and that any outside advertising for the permanent position would have to be paid for using RINSC monies.

3. Dr. Kadak made a motion to have the minutes reflect that the meeting was an emergency meeting called in order to discuss the retirement of Dr. Tehan. Dr. Nassersharif seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Dr. Nassersharif made a motion to move the meeting to an executive session Dr. Gromet seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. In the executive session The Commission addressed a number of concerns arising from the short notice of Dr. Tehan, interim responsibilities and the process of filling the upcoming vacancy in the Director's Position.