



Minutes for Governor's Commission on Disabilities Assistive Technology Committee

**June 8, 2009
2:30-3:00 PM**

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Attendees:	Regina Connor, Tim Flynn, Sharon Brinkworth, Rory Carmody,	
Absent:	Howard Boksenbaum, Monica Dzialo, Kathy Sherman, Lorna Ricci	
Guests:	Frank Milos	
Staff:	Harvey Salvas, Bob Cooper	
----- Agenda Topics -----		
Call to Order and Acceptance of the Minutes 2:40 pm	Bob Cooper, Acting Chairperson	5 min.
Introductions:		
Action Items:	Discussion Leader:	Time:
1. Request from the City of Pawtucket for Open Meetings Telecommunications Waiver	Bob Cooper	30 min
See attached		



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The Honorable Henry S. Kinch, Jr. President
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The Governor's Commission on Disabilities reviewed Councilor Paul J. Wildenhain's request for an Open Meeting Telecommunications Accommodation Waiver, pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(b)(3 & 4), on Monday June 8, 2009. After reviewing Mr. Wildenhain's request and the accompanied medical information submitted by Dr. Ahmad Al-Raqqad, the Commission has:

granted his request, through the end of this current term.

rejected his request, for the following reasons:

It is the City Council's responsibility to ensure that Mr. Wildenhain has equal access to all written or oral information provided of members of the City Council, prior to and during Council meetings in which participates via telecommunication devices. On-line visual access of the Council's proceedings and of persons testifying, as well as any written material would be the best method to ensure Mr. Wildenhain has equal access to all information, as soon as practicable.

Sincerely,

Bob Cooper
Executive Secretary

cc: Paul J. Wildenhain