



# Minutes for Governor's Commission on Disabilities Election Assistance Committee

**Wednesday December 17, 2008 @ 9:00 – 10:00 AM**

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<b>Attendees:</b>	Kate Bowden, Jean Lawlor, Arthur Plitt, Miguel Nunez, Robert Rapoza, Michelle Hayes, Steven Florio, Regina Connor, Rory Carmody	
<b>Absent:</b>	Casey Gartland, Lorna Ricci, Leo Canuel, Robert Pires, Christina Amedeo	
<b>----- Agenda Topics -----</b>		
<b>Call to Order and Acceptance of the Minutes</b>	<b>Kate Bowden</b>	<b>5 min.</b>
Introductions: 9:30 Motion to approve minutes by RC second MH Vote unanimous		
<b>Action Items:</b>	<b>Discussion Leader:</b>	<b>Time:</b>
<b>1. Election Of Vice Chair</b>	Rory Carmody, Chairperson	
Postponed to net Meeting		
<b>2. Update on Disability Vote Project</b>	Rory Carmody	
JL update committee on DVP. DVP has been recruiting poll workers with disabilities. The Disability Law Center will have a Hot Line for Voters		
<b>3. Update on surveys</b>	Christopher DeGrave	
CD reported that we received 84 surveys with only 7 problem areas. 5 parking, 1 access, 1 signage Committee agreed this was excellent progress. BOE has submitted to legislators request to increase voters at polling locations to 3000. This would increase efficiency and reduce number of polls.		
<b>4. Grant Applications</b>	Harvey Salvas	
City of Pawtucket has signed agreements, for approved grants.		
<b>5. New employee</b>	Harvey Salvas	
HS introduced Christopher DeGrave, who will be staff for committee in future.		
<b>6. Status of Funds</b>	Harvey Salvas	
HS update committee on status of funds, same as last meeting.		
<b>Next meeting will be on:</b>	<b>February 25, 2009</b>	<b>Starting at: 9:00 AM</b>
<b>Adjournment:</b>	Motion to adjourn RC second AP	
<b>Resource persons:</b>	Harvey Salvas, Christopher De Grave	

