



Description of graphic: RI State Seal an anchor in gold behind a blue wheelchair logo. Just below is a blue banner with the state motto "Hope". All are in the center of a ring of 8 blue stars, in groups of 2 separated by the logos for Braille, hearing aids, low vision and amplified phone.

Governor's Commission on Disabilities Election Assistance Committee Meeting Minutes August 24th, 2010 9:30-11 AM

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	Attendees: Rory Carmody, Grace Pires, Steven Florio, Regina Connor,
Absent:	Leo Canuel, Casey Gartland, Michelle Hayes, Arthur Plitt, Miguel Nunez, Robert Rapoza, Lorna Ricci, Jean Lawlor, Kate Bowden
Guests:	None
Staff:	Harvey Salvas, Christopher DeGrave

	Agenda Topics	Moderator/Leader	Time
 <small>Clock graphic</small>	Call to Order and Acceptance of the Minutes	Rosemary Carmody, Chairperson	9:30

Committee Chair calls the meeting to order at 9:30am.

MOTION: To accept the minutes of the previous meeting (7/22/10) as presented.

Motion by: Regina Connor, Seconded by: Grace Pires : Vote Unanimous

Action Items:

 <small>money graphic</small>	HAVA Grant Funding Activities & Annual Report Review	Bob Cooper/ Chris DeGrave	9:40
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Purpose/Goal: (1) - Discuss several additional/ revised proposals to meet requirements of the HAVA Grant including but not limited to: RIDE Mailing, Bus Ride Funding, publications and advertisements.

(2) Review, Edit, Discuss & Approve Annual Report for 2010 as well as outline achievable goals for 2011-2012.

Discussion:

** Executive Committee recommendations discussed concerning HAVA funding including but not limited to: RIDE Mailing, RIDE Funding for Election Day, Newspaper Advertisements and Publications on election awareness for the disability community.

** Chris DeGrave/ Harvey Salvas discussed the election committee annual report and the significance on upcoming 2012- future budgets.

** Committee must modify report to reflect use of time/ moneys appropriately

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	<p>and accurately show need of staff hours.</p> <p>** Committee discussed several changes to be made in final report including: emphasis on interagency/ department work being completed, lack of available staff hours to complete all essential tasks to meet federal grant requirements, (10) polling place surveys as opposed to the original (8) as well as additional achievements including but not limited to: creating a cooperative relationship with RI Board of Elections to increase access for all.</p> <p>** Please See Attached Revised Annual Report for Details**</p>		
 <p>voting check off graphic</p>	<p>MOTION: To approve edited/revised election committee annual report.</p> <p>Motion by: Grace Pires, Seconded by: Regina Connor, Vote Unanimous</p>		
 <p>poll worker graphic</p>	<p>Poll Workers w/ Disabilities: Recruitment</p>	<p>Rory Carmody/ Chris DeGrave</p>	<p>10:00</p>
<p>Purpose/Goal: To increase number of polls workers with disabilities, provide detailed training (job requirements, expectations)</p>			
<p>Discussion:</p> <p>** BOE contacted regarding qualifications for poll-workers: A) Registered Voter B) US Citizen C) Read & Write English</p> <p>** No major interest identified from the public forums.</p> <p>** Committee can recruit poll-workers, municipality hires, BOE must approve</p> <p>** (3) Poll-workers recruited & approved by BOE.</p>			
 <p>voting check off graphic</p>	<p>MOTION: <i>None Required</i></p>		
 <p>polling place graphic</p>	<p>Polling Location Surveys & Grant Request Update</p>	<p>Harvey Salvas/ Chris DeGrave</p>	<p>10:10</p>
<p>Purpose/Goal: (1) Discuss potential future actions and update committee on requests for repairs for municipalities. (2) Update on "Vote Here" signage purchase for BOE</p>			
<p>Discussion:</p> <p>**Pawtucket Board of Canvasser's looking to spend remaining funding left from previous grant award on a secondary polling place accessibility modification. Approximately \$1700.00 remaining.</p> <p>** Providence Board of Canvasser's interested in HAVA grant opportunity to</p>			

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	<p>add curb-ramps at public school voting location. Will be submitting application once a quote is received for scope of work.</p> <p>**Harvey Salvias to contact several boards of canvassers/ town clerks to arrange meetings to discuss available HAVA funding for election site accessibility modifications.</p> <p>** BOE "Vote Here" sign quotes being collected from both Moore Wallace & Keystone Printing. Both companies have a printing MPA contract with the State of Rhode Island. <i>(Will update Committee on both quotes once received)</i></p>		
 <p>voting check off graphic</p>	<p>MOTION: To approve the Pawtucket Board of Canvasser's request to spend the remaining previous HAVA grant award on secondary 2010 polling place accessibility modifications.</p> <p>Motion by: Grace Pires, Seconded by: Regina Connor, Vote Unanimous</p>		
 <p>RIDVP logo</p>	<p>RI Disability Vote Project</p>	<p>Rory Carmody</p>	<p>10:30</p>
<p>Purpose/Goal: Update on RIDVP Status & on-going projects</p> <hr/> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>** Voter Education Forum (Friday, August 20th): 100+ in attendance. Lt. Governor Roberts and Charles Fogarty made remarks.</p> <p>** RIDVP- Currently reapplying for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development Grant Award- User Accessibility & Education Grant</p>			
 <p>voting check off graphic</p>	<p>Motion: <i>None Required</i></p>		
 <p>Announcer graphic</p>	<p>Announcements</p>	<p>Rory Carmody/ Chris DeGrave</p>	<p>10:40</p>
<p>** National HAVA Webinar on August 25th- Concerning HAVA Grant Allowable Expenses and Changes for 2010 Awards (Will advise committee)</p> <p>** American Association for People with Disabilities: Recent poll shows that those with disabilities will have a large impact on election in 2010.</p>			

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 calendar graphic	Agenda and Scheduling the Next Meeting	Rory Carmody	10:45
Items to be placed on the next meeting's agenda: None at this time.			
Next meeting will be on: September 16th, 2010 @ 930am			
 alarm clock graphic	Adjournment	Rory Carmody	10:50
 voting check off graphic	MOTION: To adjourn made @ 10:50AM Motion by: Grace Pires, Seconded by: Regina Connor, Vote Unanimous		