

Rhode Island Vision Education and Services Program Advisory Board

Jennifer Anderson, Co-Chair

Gloria Stuart, Co-Chair

Judy Lundsten, Recording Secretary

Meeting Minutes

February 4, 2014

Members Present: Terrance Chapman, Jennifer Anderson, Gloria Stuart, Judy Lundsten, Grace Pires, Themmi Evanglatos

Members Absent: Ken Pattie

Guest/Ex-Officio Members: Lisa Labitt, Melanie Sbardella, Clare Irwin, Tony Antosh, David Sienko

Call to Order: 4:50 p.m.

Acceptance of Minutes: At next mtg.vote on all minutes

Old Business:

New Business:

David Sienko reported from RIDE regarding Blind and Low Vision Services

- Programmatic audit showed all aspects of services to be of the highest quality. Program is high quality.
- RIDE will look into an extension of the current contract through the 2014 – 2015 fiscal year.
- The 3-year depletion of state funding for the Sherlock contract was discussed as were the options available for sustainability of services through a multi-funding source service delivery model.
- Discussions of system accountability, use of funds, and public information dissemination strategies

Announcements:

Public Comment: 11/20/14 TA Conference, RIPIN 3/12 @ Crowne Plaza

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Meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.
Next meeting will be held 4/1/14