

**West Bay Collaborative
Board of Directors Meeting
January 17, 2014**

Minutes

This regular meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 9:35AM by Chair, Richard D'Agostino.

Board Members Present:

Mr. Michael Convery, Superintendent	Coventry
Dr. Judith Lundsten, Superintendent	Cranston
Ms. Patricia Dubois, Superintendent	Glocester
Dr. Michael Barnes, Superintendent	Foster-Glocester
Dr. Lawrence Filippelli, Representative	Scituate
Dr. Richard D'Agostino, Superintendent	Warwick

Board Members Absent:

Dr. Caroline Caswell, Superintendent	Foster
Ms. Lisa Vargas-Sinapi, Representative	Providence
Ms. Karen Tarasevich, Superintendent	West Warwick

Others Present:

Karen Ostroff, Executive Director	West Bay Collaborative
Atty. Mary Ann Carroll	Brennan, Recupero, Cascione, Scungio & McAllister, LLP
Hilda Potrzeba	RI Dept. of Education
Melissa Denton	RI Dept. of Education
Lisa Foehr	RI Dept. of Education
Bill Capron, Business Manager	West Bay Collaborative
Shane McConnell, Special Ed Director	West Bay Collaborative
Erin Hughes, Program Administrator	West Bay Collaborative

I. New Teacher Induction Presentation

RI Department of Education representatives, Hilda Potrzeba, Melissa Denton, and Lisa Foehr presented information regarding the impact of the Race to the Top - funded induction program, and the various options available to continue after Race to the Top ends.

II. Old Business: Review and Passage of Amended By-Laws – Atty. Mary Ann Carroll

Amended By-Laws approved on a vote of 6-0.

<u>Moved:</u>	Mr. Convery	<u>Approved:</u>	Mr. Convery
<u>Seconded:</u>	Dr. Lundsten		Dr. Lundsten
			Ms. Dubois
			Dr. Barnes
			Dr. Filippelli
			Dr. D’Agostino

III. New Business

Executive Director, Karen Ostroff presented the letters from Foster, Gloucester, and Foster-Glocester Regional, requesting to withdraw from West Bay Collaborative in favor of their second membership in Northern RI Collaborative.

Withdrawals approved on a vote of 6-0.

<u>Moved:</u>	Mr. Convery	<u>Approved:</u>	Mr. Convery
<u>Seconded:</u>	Dr. Filippelli		Dr. Lundsten
			Ms. Dubois
			Dr. Barnes
			Dr. Filippelli
			Dr. D’Agostino

IV. Report of the Executive Director

Enrollment data was presented by Executive Director, Karen Ostroff, who also reported on a number of recent staffing changes and asked that the Board vote to accept same.

Staffing changes approved on a vote of 6-0.

<u>Moved:</u>	Mr. Convery	<u>Approved:</u>	Mr. Convery
<u>Seconded:</u>	Dr. Lundsten		Dr. Lundsten
			Ms. Dubois
			Dr. Barnes
			Dr. Filippelli
			Dr. D’Agostino

Attorney Mary Ann Carroll then shared information of the recent Department of Justice investigation of Transition Services in the Providence Public Schools. She requested a meeting with Superintendents and Special Education Directors from the West Bay region to discuss how the districts can avoid similar issues in their towns. A meeting was scheduled for February 24th at West Bay Collaborative.

V. Approval of Minutes

- June 7, 2013
- Executive Session, June 7, 2013
- November 15, 2013
- Executive Session, November 15, 2013

One edit was suggested for the minutes of June 7, 2013.

All four sets of minutes approved as amended on a vote of 6-0.

<u>Moved:</u>	Mr. Convery	<u>Approved:</u>	Mr. Convery
<u>Seconded:</u>	Dr. Filippelli		Dr. Lundsten
			Ms. Dubois
			Dr. Barnes
			Dr. Filippelli
			Dr. D'Agostino

VI. Executive Session

No Executive Session was required.

Adjournment

At approximately 11:30 AM, motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

<u>Moved:</u>	Dr. Lundsten	<u>Approved:</u>	Mr. Convery
<u>Seconded:</u>	Mr. Convery		Dr. Lundsten
			Ms. Dubois
			Dr. Barnes
			Dr. Filippelli
			Dr. D'Agostino

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen G. Ostroff
Executive Director

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