



BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING

Thursday, November 15, 2012
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
RI Department of Education
Room 501
255 Westminster Street, Providence

1. Acceptance of the Agenda

2. Approval of Minutes

October 18, 2012 - Board of Regents Meeting

Enclosure 2

3. Commissioner's Report

Updates and issues affecting the K-12 public education system in Rhode Island

4. Public Remarks

5. Chairman's Remarks

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6. Discussion Items

a. Hope Mayoral Academy

Enclosure 6a

b. Regents' Approved Budget Model

c. Facilities Report

d. PARCC

7. Approval Items

a. The Highlander Charter School - Request for Expansion

Enclosure 7a

RECOMMENDATION: THAT, the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education approves the Highlander Charter School's Request to amend their charter to expand their school size from K-8 to PK-12 and enrollment size from 324 to 499 students. Highlander will begin their expansion in the 2013 school year by enrolling 20 students in the 9th grade.

b. Approval of the Sheila C. "Skip" Nowell Leadership Academy Enclosure 7b

RECOMMENDATION: THAT, the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education grants preliminary approval for further planning and development to the Sheila C. "Skip" Nowell Leadership Academy toward a 2013-2014 school year opening, contingent upon final approval to operate by the Rhode Island Board of Regents.

c. Approval of the Village Green Virtual Charter School Enclosure 7c

RECOMMENDATION: THAT, the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education grants preliminary approval for further planning and development to the the Village Green Virtual Charter School toward a 2013-2014 school year opening, contingent upon final approval to operate by the Rhode Island Board of Regents.

d. Approval to end Commissioner Deborah A. Gist's Medical Leave and reinstate her as Commissioner and to revert Acting Commissioner Abbott to his prior role as the Deputy Commissioner

RECOMMENDATION: THAT, the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education approves to end Commissioner Deborah A. Gist's Medical Leave and reinstates her as Commissioner, and reverts Acting Commissioner David V. Abbott to his prior role as Deputy Commissioner, as of November 26, 2012.