

**RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF REGENTS FOR ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION
MINUTES OF MEETING - AUGUST 23, 2007**

A meeting of the Rhode Island Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education was held at the Shepard Building-255 Westminster Street, Providence, RI 02903 and convened at 4:30 p.m.

In Attendance:

R. Flanders, P. Guida, C. Callahan, R. Camara, A. Davis, A. Beretta, G. Grove, K. Forbes.

Public Remarks

There were no public remarks.

Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Flanders congratulated Deputy Commissioner Todd Flaherty on his retirement and presented him with a plaque from the Board of Regents and Department of Education.

Approval of Minutes

MOVED AND SECONDED: That, the minutes of the Rhode Island Board of Regents Meeting of July 26, 2007 and Executive Minutes of July 26, 2007 be approved, with the following correction: Regent Amy Beretta should be added as present.

VOTE: Approved unanimously.

**Approval of Terms and Conditions of Rhode Island School for the Deaf Director/
Principal Candidate**

The Chairman of the Board of Regents State and Charter Schools Committee, Gary Grove presented the item to the group for consideration. Mr. Grove briefly outlined the terms of Ms. Dunsmore's contract, as enclosed. Regent Forbes questioned the status of the candidate's certification – pending.

MOVED AND SECONDED: That, the Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education Approve the terms and conditions of the contract between the Board of Trustees and Ms. Lori S. Dunsmore pending certification approval, as presented.

VOTE: Approved unanimously.

Commissioner's Report

Commissioner McWalters told the group that he has received a request from Providence for a variance to the Special Education Regulations. He will be reviewing their request and will answer them within one week and will keep the board informed.

Executive Session

There was no executive session.

Adjournment

With unanimous consent the meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.