

BOARD OF REGENTS FOR ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION

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MEETING TO BE HELD AT:

The Rhode Island Department of Education – Shepard Building  
255 Westminster Street – Providence, RI 02903  
Wednesday, October 1, 2008 at 4:00 p.m.

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A G E N D A

1. Public Remarks
2. Chairman's Remarks
  - a. Update on Board of Regents Retreat
3. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Regents Meeting of September 3

APPROVAL ITEMS

4. Approval of Appeals

Paul H. Botelho v. Providence School Board (enclosure 4a)

RECOMMENDATION: That in the Matter of Paul H. Botelho v. Providence School Board the Decision of the Commissioner is Affirmed.

Bethany St. Pierre v. Smithfield School Committee (enclosure 4b)

RECOMMENDATION: That in the Matter of Bethany St. Pierre v. Smithfield School Committee the Decision of the Commissioner is Affirmed.

William Hicks v. The Cumberland School Committee (enclosure 4c)

RECOMMENDATION: That in the Matter of William Hicks v. The Cumberland School Committee the Decision of the Commissioner is Reversed and the Termination Action of the Cumberland School Committee is Sustained.

5. Approval of Alternative Assessment Standard Setting in Science  
[Enclosure 5]

RECOMMENDATION THAT: the Rhode Island Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education Accept the August 2008 Standard Setting Report for the Rhode Island Alternate Assessment in Science, and Approve Cut Points for Each of the Four Achievement Levels: *Substantially Below Proficient, Partially Proficient, Proficient, or Proficient with Distinction.*

6. Approval of Rules and Regulations for School Health Programs, for Public Hearing  
(Enclosure 6)

RECOMMENDATION THAT: the Rhode Island Board of Regents for Elementary and Secondary Education approve the proposed *Rules and Regulations for School Health Programs* to go to public hearing.

7. Regent Priorities Update

DISCUSSION ITEMS

8. BEP Update
9. Budget Update
10. Commissioner's Search Update
11. Regents' Committee Reports
  - a. BOR Programs/School Improvement Committee
  - b. Finance Committee
12. Commissioner's Report

Agenda for Future Meetings

The next meeting of the Board of Regents is scheduled for November 1 at 4:00 p.m. in the Shepard Building, room 501. Additional information about the agenda is available in the Office of the Commissioner of Education, Shepard Building, 255 Westminster Street, Providence, RI 02903. The Shepard Building has been deemed accessible to those with disabilities by the State Building Commissioner. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired or needing other accommodations, please call 401-222-8468 or RI Relay 1-800-745-5555 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.