SESSIONS March brings many opportunities

for members to participate in RI-

RIASC OFFICERS

Jan Bergandy President John Saviano

President-Elect

ASC's Leadership Academy professional development. On March 7, we will be holding our second Collective Bargaining Session at the Marriott in Provi-

Kathy Patenaude Past President BOARD MEMBERS Liana Fenton Jo Eva Gaines **Sonia Grace Patrick Guida Scott Mueller Upcoming**

Smithfield administrators will be at Building 6 on March 14 to discuss the implementation of AL-ICE, a school safety program, in

dence.

Nicholas Hemond Mary Anne Roll Professional Development

your district.

plan to attend RIASC's Annual Meeting

on

State budget. All sessions are from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM and are free of charge. Register today! Attendees will be granted professional development

Warwick, RI

quirement and RIASC's Leadership Academy. Watch your email for further details and future opportunities. RIASC PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2014?

In

Committees

According to State law, Rhode Island school committee members must engage in six hours of professional

Academy,

development annually. Many members have already accrued their six hours for 2015. Did you know RIASC offered over 80 professional development opportunities to members in

created the

hours

committee members. After completing 15 hours of RIASC professional development, graduates receive recognition from the Rhode Island Board of Education at our Annual Meeting.

Congratulations to our most recent graduates:

voluntary professional development program for school

RIASC'S LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

2004 The Rhode Island Association of School

Leadership

Schofield, and Yan Sun. **EXTERNAL TRAINING CREDIT** The RIASC Board met and approved a policy for its members allowing them to gain credit hours for attending external training sessions. External training sessions are sessions that relevance to your role as a school committee member but are not sponsored by RIASC. In order to qualify for

external credit, a Request for Approval form must be completed at least two weeks prior to the training

Pendergast, James Pierson, Stacy Rapko-Bruckner, Erin

session. The form can also be obtained by visiting our website at "Professional www.ri-asc.org and linking to the Development" page. **ELECTRONIC TEACHER CONTRACTS** contract as soon as it is available.

school committee member. RIASC is looking for nominations for school committee members who have demonstrated leadership as advocates for public education. By now, you should have received the nomination

Annual Meeting on May 2, 2015. Nominate an outstanding school committee member today to ensure that he or she receives recognition as an outstanding school committee member!

Nomination criteria can also be accessed on our website at www.ri-asc.org

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eBoard offers school districts the ability to hold paperless board meetings and provides users with a uniquely integrated suite of web-based tools that aligns the work of the Board and system with its strategic plans, policies, meeting agenda, assessments and evaluations.

For further information, or to get your district started

If you applied and our chosen, you will be hearing from us after the Nominating Committee meeting. **PASSINGS** RAYMOND NOONAN

RIASC is seeking nominations for the Executive Committee.

Nomination forms have been mailed and the Nominating Committee will be meeting to choose new members after the March 1 nomination deadline.

Ray received his Juris Doctorate degree from the University of San Diego, and practiced law in Rhode Island.

Visit our website at www.ri-asc.org

Finally, on March 28, in Building 6, we will be updating members Mark your on education legislation and the calendars and

May 2, 2015 credits towards their six-hour re-**Crowne Plaza**

GOT SIX?

Douglas Arnold, Brett Barrows, Gena Bianco, Rose Marie Cipriano, Erin Dube, Michael Fain, Lauren Garzone, Kimberly Grant, Joseph Knight, Melissa Mastrostefano, McQuade, Merredythe Nadeau, Coleen

RIASC is in the process of updating the Teacher Contract Please forward me your electronic teacher Remember, this site is a great resource for school committee members to view contract language to assist

http://www.ntlong.com/cber/

18th ANNUAL HOWARD KAY AWARD

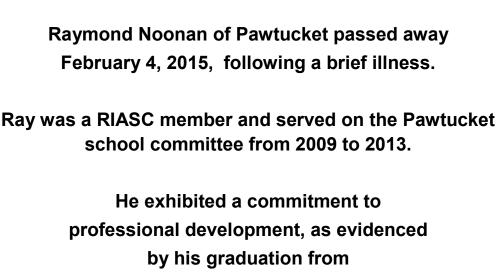
Each year RIASC seeks nominations for the Howard Kay Award. This award is named in honor of the late Howard Kay, a former Treasurer of RIASC and a former Newport

in teacher contract negotiations.

criteria in the mail. Deadline for nominations is April 10, 2015 This Award will be presented at our







RIASC's Leadership Academy that included recognition

from the Rhode Island Board of Education.