

RIASC's 2016 Annual Meeting

May, 2016

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Professional Development

Watch your email for news of upcoming professional development opportunities. Don't forget to report your external training credits.

RIASC PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GOT SIX?

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

Did you know RIASC offered over 80 hours of professional development opportunities to members in 2015 and overall members have accrued over 8,000 professional development hours?

RIASC'S LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

In 2004 The Rhode Island Association of School Committees created the Leadership Academy, a voluntary professional development program for school committee members. After completing 15 hours of approved professional development members become graduates and receive recognition from the Rhode Island Board of Education. Over 200 members have graduated from the Leadership Academy.

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 have 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 session.

The form can also be obtained by visiting our website at www.ri-asc.org and linking to the "Professional Development" page.

2016 HOWARD KAY AWARD for Outstanding School Committee Leadership

Congratulations to Maureen Cotter, this year's Howard Kay Award winner. Maureen currently serves as Vice Chair of the South Kingstown school committee. Superintendent of South Kingstown Schools, Dr. Kristen Stringfellow, remarked on Maureen's many accomplishments throughout her over 20 years on the school committee and presented her with the award.

RIASC commends Maureen for her commitment to public education, ongoing professional development, and the students of the South Kingstown school district.



(Pictured L-R Pauline Lisi, Kristen Stringfellow, Raissa Mosher, Michelle Brousseau, Jim Cotter, Maureen Cotter, John Saviano, RIASC President)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT RECOGNITION



50+ Hours



100+ Hours

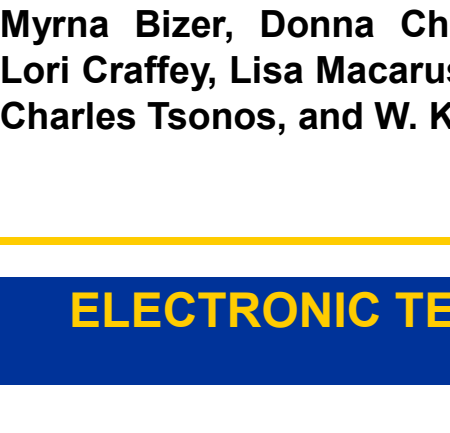


200+ Hours

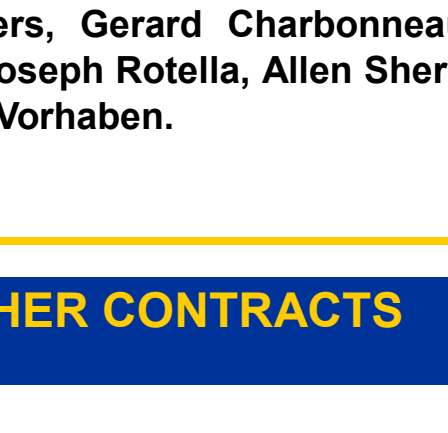


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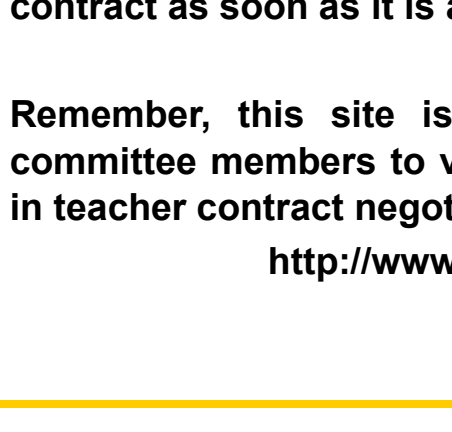
2016 LEADERSHIP ACADEMY GRADUATES



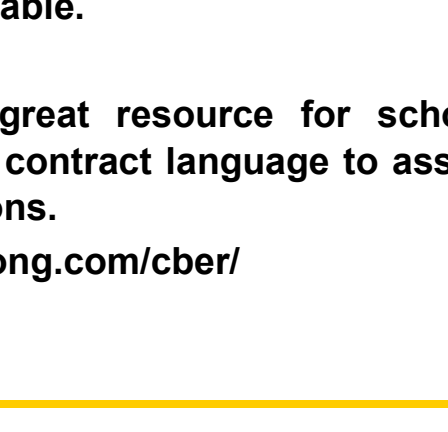
Alexandra LeClair



Ron Cervasio



Robert LaFazia



Janice Mele

2016 Graduates not pictured are: John Alessandro, Myrna Bizer, Donna Chambers, Gerard Charbonneau, Lori Craffey, Lisa Macaruso, Joseph Rotella, Allen Shers, Charles Tsonos, and W. Keith Vorhaben.

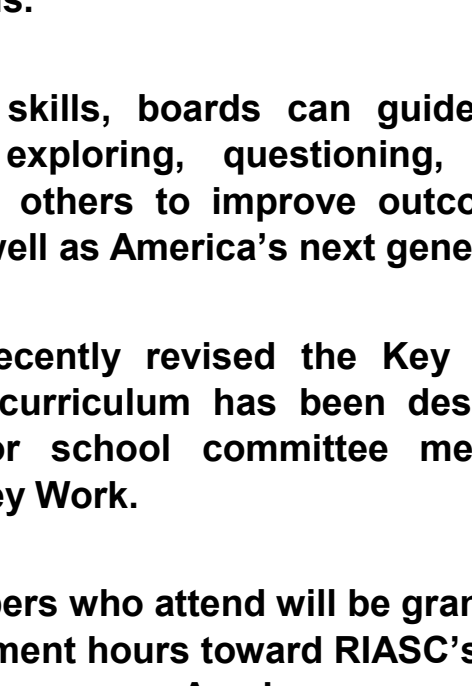
ELECTRONIC TEACHER CONTRACTS

RIASC is in the process of updating the Teacher Contract Database. Please forward me your electronic teacher contract as soon as it is available.

Remember, this site is a great resource for school committee members to view contract language to assist in teacher contract negotiations.

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

NSBA's KEY WORK OF SCHOOL BOARDS SESSIONS



RIASC will be sponsoring sessions at

Bryant University's Hassenfeld Institute on

NSBA 's Revised Key Work of School Boards

NSBA has identified the core skills that effective boards need to ensure that all students achieve at high levels. Together these skills form a framework for effective school governance. This is called the Key Work of School Boards.

"With these skills, boards can guide their vision to fruition by exploring, questioning, assessing, and working with others to improve outcomes for today's students as well as America's next generation."

NSBA has recently revised the Key Work of School Boards and curriculum has been designed by Bryant University for school committee members on each element of Key Work.

RIASC members who attend will be granted professional development hours toward RIASC's Leadership Academy.