Did you know RIASC offered over 80 hours of professional development annually. Members who attend will be granted RIASC professional development hours. NSBA has recently revised the Key Work of School Boards. This is called the Key Work of School Board Leaders. Together these skills form a framework for effective school governance. You lead your district through another transition and are prepared to be data savvy and use data to drive continuous improvement. With these skills, boards can guide their vision to improve student achievement. It is our hope that this event will inspire educators to accelerate personalization in your schools.

The Community College of Rhode Island is hosting a symposium entitled: "NSBA's Revised Key Work of School Boards". The symposium will take place on Thursday, September 8, 2016, in the Bobby Hackett Theater at the Knight Campus, 400 East Broadway, scheduled for September 17, at the Crowne Plaza, September, 2016. The panel of speakers is as follows:

- Ron Cervasio, President, RI Manufacturers' Association
- Bill McCourt, President and CEO, RI Manufacturer Tech Collective
- Wendy Mackie, CEO, RI Marine Trades Association
- Giselle Mahoney, Director of Industry and Advocacy, Apprenticeship RI
- Bobby Hackett, President, RI Hospitality Association Education Foundation
- Kelly Springer, Chief Operating Officer, RI Health Care Association
- Heather Singleton, Chief Operating Officer, RI Tech Collective

The form can also be obtained by visiting our website at www.riasc.org and linking to the Leadership Academy. The form must be completed at least two weeks prior to the training. RSVP's must be received by the start of the program. The Kent County Board of Education has identified the core skills that effective boards must possess. Some of these skills include:

- Connect, communicate, and collaborate about strong and sustainable educational pathways.
- Participate in team development.
- Lead as a united team with the support of the Superintendent of Schools and Board of Education.
- Have a collaborative relationship with the school community.
- Are accountability driven; spend external credit, a vote, just do the right thing for students, and advocate for the needs of your students.
- Are data savvy and use data to improve student achievement.
- Commit to a vision of high expectations and measure results.
- Drive continuous improvement; be part of the 5 's Leadership Academy.
- Are future oriented; have a vision to inform and engage; make the conditions for success for a true personalized learning experience to occur.

The symposium will focus on each skill and will discuss the value of each skill in the context of the Rhode Island landscape. It will also provide members allowing them to gain credit hours for attending external training sessions. Attendees will also be able to earn RIASC professional development hours. The form can also be obtained by visiting our website at www.riasc.org and linking to the Leadership Academy. Over 200 members have graduated from the Leadership Academy. In 2004 The Rhode Island Association of School Committees (RIASC) was in the process of updating the Teacher Contract Database. Please forward me your electronic teacher contract form.

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