

NEWSLETTER

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The RIIAAA Executive Board would like to thank its members for all its dedication to athletics in the state of Rhode Island. Through your effort, student-athletes are able to attain higher goals and enrich their lives through sport.

We would also like to make you aware of our efforts to find better avenues to communicate with you. Our duty is to represent you and your needs to the best of our ability. Should you have an issue or idea that you feel our membership needs to be aware of please contact one of us. You are also encouraged to attend any Executive Board meeting to voice a concern or just see what we do once a month at the RIIL at RIC.

The following important information, which has come out of discussions from our recent meeting, is to help keep you aware of current issues or concerns in Rhode Island athletics.

1. There is a mandatory pre-winter sports meeting for Athletic Directors scheduled for November 7, 2012, 8pm. Location is TBD. A general meeting of the RIIAAA will take place after the RIIL meeting.
2. Due to the EEE virus, the Board of Health recommends to change games to the afternoon (per dusk); and the RIIL has given a uniform exemption so athletes may wear long sleeves and leggings under uniforms. Several schools have taken this into consideration. They also continue to assess the EEE virus issue on a week by week basis.
3. John Abbate will replace Beth Penkala, retired AD on the RIIL Hall of Fame Committee.
4. RIIL Hall of Fame deadline is November 1, 2012. If you have a potential candidate for the 2013 Class of the RIIL Hall of Fame, send in their completed application by the November deadline. November 17, 2012 is the meeting date for the selection committee.
5. Webinar Leadership Training Courses are now being offered via the Internet. As of fall 2012 - LTC 501, 502, 504, 506, 508, 616, 701, 707, and 714 are internet courses. Go to www.niaaa.org the *Leadership Training Institute* for information.
6. NIAAA Section 1 Summer Institute is scheduled for June 30 – July 3, 2013 on Cape Cod, MA

Any questions or concerns, please contact Paul Amaral (East Providence) at pamaral@epschoolsri.com