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Minutes

*Commission to Review Statutes Relative to Implementation
of the School Bullying Law
Created pursuant to Section *18 of
Chapter 92 of the Acts of 2010*

Thursday, June 16, 2011
2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
20th floor, 1 Ashburton Place

Chair: Martha Coakley, Massachusetts Attorney General

Note Taker: Mary Sullivan, Attorney General's Office

Agenda Setting: No new issues were added to previously-issued agenda

Commission Members in Attendance:

Martha Coakley, Massachusetts Attorney General
Michael Bellotti, Sheriff, Massachusetts Sheriffs' Association
David Capeless, Berkshire County District Attorney
Steve Clem, Executive Director, Association of Independent Schools in New England
Michael Long, General Counsel, Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents
Mary Lyons, Police Chief, Mattapoisett, MA, Past President, Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association

Commission Members not in Attendance:

Laura Salomons, School Committee Member, Sharon, MA, Massachusetts Association of School Committees

Others in Attendance:

John L.G. Bynoe III, Associate Commissioner Center for Student Support, Career and Education Services, Department of Early and Secondary Education (DESE)
Sheila Calkins, Deputy Attorney General, Massachusetts Attorney General's Office (AGO)
Gabrielle Viator, Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division (CRD), AGO
Jen Scully, Intern, (CRD), AGO
Ed Donnelly, Assistant Attorney General/Policy Advisor, Policy & Government Division (P & G), AGO
Mary Sullivan, Director, Community Information & Education Division (CIED), AGO

Kim Henry, Victim Witness Outreach and Policy Manager, Victim Services Division (VSD),
AGO
Lavinia Weizel, Intern, (P & G), AGO
Suzanne Schultz

Meeting Summary:

- Welcome and Introductions
- Minutes from April 6, 2011 meeting were unanimously approved.
- Discussion regarding Commission report to Legislature
- Report was unanimously approved as drafted; Commission approved Mike Long's request, on behalf of the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents, to submit additional comments related to the recommendations related to parental liability and to data collection
- Discussion regarding Commission's proposed Legislative recommendations
- Legislative recommendations unanimously approved as drafted

Next meeting: Fall, 2011, Exact date TBD

No new business.

Meeting adjourned at 3:25 pm.

Materials Distributed at the Meeting:

- Agenda
- Draft report to Legislature
- Draft legislative recommendations