

**Breakfast Meeting Minutes for Approval 4/19/2017**  
**Wednesday, April 5, 2017**  
**Granite State Children's Alliance**

The Executive Council convened at 9:04 a.m. with Governor Sununu and all Executive Councilors present.

Governor Sununu reviewed the pre-meeting ceremonial items for the 10:00 a.m. meeting.

- Pledge of Allegiance by Governor Sununu
- Music: Brady Ellsworth, 15 years old, Sophomore, Winnisquam High School.
- Commendation(s): Ellie Coe, Hopkinton & Eric Lemieux, Claremont-Bronze Medal Recipients, Special Olympics: 2017 Winter World Games, held in Austria & New England Board of Higher Education, Regional Student Program (aka "Tuition Break") Celebrates 60<sup>th</sup> year & New England Higher Education 2017 Excellence Award: NH College & University Council.
- Special Election: Senate District 16/Secretary of State Precept

The Executive Council voted to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2017 Breakfast Meeting.

Executive Councilor Kenney will host the next meeting on Wednesday, April 19, 2017 at the Department of Transportation.

Governor Sununu addressed the late item agenda and spoke of the item submitted by the Department of Health and Human Services. DHHS Commissioner Meyers also spoke regarding details of the item prompting comments from the Governor and Council about the information provided.

**Other Business:**

Governor Sununu addressed the matter of Pardon Requests with the Executive Council. Assistant Attorney General Ann Rice spoke of past practice to bring the pardons forward as an agenda. There was further discussion regarding how to address Pardon Requests with agreement being acknowledged on bringing the Pardon Requests forward at the Governor & Council meetings as an agenda item. Governor Sununu and legal counsel John Formella noted a request that has been received by various Towns within the State regarding cancelling elections. They commented on checking legal avenues as well as legislative activity before any action is taken. Councilor Volinsky asked if we can request an opinion to which it was determined we could.

Councilor Kenney spoke of a project in the North Country that will create jobs is in the works but seems to be taking more time than planned to get up and running due to monetary restrictions and other potential issues that involve additional wait time. He mentioned a process that would perhaps speed this project up and allow the workers to start work.

Councilor Volinsky inquired as to the role of the Council regarding Agency regulation reports and what comes next. The Governor noted that the reports are being reviewed with the next step being agency outreach.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 a.m.