

Newport Restoration Advisory Board
Project Committee Report
June 18, 2003

There is no report from this committee because a review of the decision by Administration to not provide a courtesy light buffet, including coffee and soft drinks, questions my reasons to support RAB activities as a volunteer.

A review of my efforts as a Project Leader reveals that I provide:

- (1) a monthly report on dredging:
 - (a) it may take me 3-4 hours of preparation;*
 - (b) further preparation in the form of a report;*
 - (c) supply the paper to print the pages of the report;*
 - (d) provide computer access at no cost to RAB.**
- (2) Travel to RAB
 - (a) 16 mles round trip travel and time;*
 - (b) Bridge Tolls-\$2 per meeting,not reimbursed by RAB.**
- (3) Attendance at meeting for two hours, providing input of my extensive expertise:
 - (a) fifty years as a mechanical engineer-worked with NUSC, so familiar with naval sites throughout the U.S.A.*
 - (b) long association with local and national environmental groups (SaveThe Bay and Sierra Club);*
 - (c) Active in town Planning for many years –Lincoln, R.I. and Jamestown, R.I.**
- (4) R.I. Tree Steward and Master Gardener
 - (a) Active at URI Cooperative Extension as "Learning Landscape" Instructor*
 - (b) Currently Project Manager for Jamestown Tree Preservation And Protection Committee.**

CONCLUSION:

I think that the Directors of this group should reconsider their decision to refrain from providing sustenance to members at RAB meetings.

Respectfully submitted by,

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