



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
OFFICE OF GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTABILITY
STATE CONTRACTING STANDARDS BOARD

Draft Minutes

Friday, April 12, 2019 Meeting of the State Contracting Standards Board Privatization
Committee
5th Floor Conference Room
18-20 Trinity Street, Hartford, Connecticut

Members Present

Lawrence Fox, Chair,
Thomas Ahneman
Charles Casella
Albert Ilg
Brenda Sisco

1. [Call to order](#)

The meeting was called to order at 11:28 A.M. by Chair Lawrence Fox.

2. [Approve the minutes of the February 8, 2019 meeting](#)

Motion made by Albert Ilg and seconded by Brenda Sisco to approve the minutes of the February 8, 2019 meeting. All voted in favor, with Brenda Sisco abstaining due to being absent from the February 8, 2019 meeting.

3. [Contract area for annual review discussion](#)

Brenda Sisco initiated discussion by expressing her concern with a focus on Information Technology (IT) being too broad and a need for a more narrow focus. Ms. Sisco also raised the possibility of looking at an area other than IT.

Chair Fox offered that we would have to boil it down to one or two contracts.

Albert Ilg stated that whenever he speaks with State employees the issue and problems with IT always come up.

Chair Fox noted that the new Commissioner of the Department of Administrative Services (DAS), Josh Geballe wants to tackle IT issues and could be very helpful in suggesting an area and contracts to look at. Chair Fox stated that he would seek another functional area for

review, if the Commissioner of DAS doesn't see any value added in reviewing a specific area and contracts in IT.

Thomas Ahneman agreed with Brenda Sisco, that IT is a big area with many components, such as training, maintenance, cyber security and more, with each agencies needs different. Mr. Ahneman stated that if the Commissioner of DAS has an area for us to focus on, that would be okay, otherwise Mr. Ahneman believes we should move on to another area.

Charles Casella stated he doesn't believe all IT contracts are being run through DAS, rather agencies are doing their own thing. Mr. Casella suggests that we find the largest dollar value single or sole sourced contracts in IT. Mr. Casella further suggested that maybe the Data Analysis Work Group can recommend a specific IT contract to review, such as Core-CT, the State's HR and fiscal enterprise wide computer program.

Chair Fox summarized the discussion by stating that it appears we need to do a little more investigation as a Committee and find out what the big IT contracts are, and a need to follow-up with the Commissioner of DAS.

4. [Public Comment](#)

No public comment

5. [Other Business](#)

No other business.

6. [Adjournment](#)

Motion made by Charles Casella and second by Thomas Ahneman to adjourn. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 A.M.

Respectfully submitted: David Guay