



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
OFFICE OF GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTABILITY
Governmental Accountability Commission

Draft Minutes of Special Meeting

Thursday, October 1, 2015, at 1:00 P.M.

The Governmental Accountability Commission (GAC) held a special meeting on Thursday, October 1, 2015, at 1:00 P.M., in the Fifth Floor Conference Room, 18-20 Trinity Street, Hartford, Connecticut.

1. Call to Order

Chair Claudia Baio called the meeting to order at 1:04 P.M.

The following Commission members were present:

- Claudia Baio, Chairperson, State Contracting Standards Board
- Charles W. Casella, Jr., Designee of the Child Advocate
- Charles F. Chiusano, Chairperson, Citizens Ethics Advisory Board
- Owen P. Eagan, Chairperson, Freedom of Information Commission
- Ndidi N. Moses, Chairperson, Judicial Selection Commission (via teleconference)
- Dennis J. O'Connor, Executive Director, Judicial Review Council
- Stephen Penny, Designee of the Chairperson of the State Elections Enforcement Commission
- Natasha M. Pierre, Victim Advocate

2. Adopt Robert's Rules of Order

After discussion, Robert's Rules of Order was adopted by consensus.

3. Approval of minutes of the September 3, 2015 Special Meeting

After discussion, motion made by Mr. Penny and seconded by Mr. Eagan to approve the minutes of the September 3, 2015 Special Meeting. The Commission voted six (6) to zero (0) to approve, Ms. Pierre and Mr. Casella abstained.

4. Nominations for Vice-Chairman of the GAC

Motion made by Ms. Baio and seconded by Ms. Pierre to nominate Mr. O'Connor for Vice-Chairman.

Motion made by Mr. Eagan and seconded by Mr. Penny to nominate Mr. Chiusano for Vice-Chairman.

5. Election of Vice-Chairman of the GAC

Voting for Mr. O'Connor:

Ms. Baio
Mr. Casella
Ms. Moses
Mr. O'Connor
Ms. Pierre

Voting for Mr. Chiusano:

Mr. Chiusano
Mr. Eagan
Mr. Penny

Mr. O'Connor was elected Vice-Chairman of the Governmental Accountability Commission.

6. Consideration of authority of the Executive Administrator over IT systems and Information Technology Protocol

The Commission discussed the email response providing further clarification on the role of the Office of the Executive Administrator in providing IT services for the Office of Governmental Accountability from Executive Administrator Shelby Brown. Ms. Brown provided a 24 hour IT emergency phone number for the Department of Administrative Services/Bureau of Enterprise Systems and Technology.

7. Consideration of the role of the Executive Administrator in Labor Relations matters – request for an opinion from the Attorney General (tabled at previous meeting)

With a response from the Attorney General still pending, motion made by Mr. O'Connor and seconded by Mr. Chiusano to table. All voted in favor.

8. Consideration of the Executive Administrator providing clerical support for GAC meetings (tabled at previous meeting)

Chair Baio offered to the Commission two possibilities for clerical support to the GAC; rotating the duty between the nine divisions or the nine divisions sharing the cost of paying a part-time clerical. Discussion was held on the two proposals.

Motion made by Mr. O'Connor and seconded by Mr. Penny to table. All voted in favor.

9. Formal approval of evaluation criteria for the Executive Administrator

Chair Baio asked the Commission for a formal vote to approve the evaluation criteria previously agreed to by consensus.

Motion made by Mr. Chiusano and seconded by Mr. O'Connor to formally approve the evaluation criteria for the Executive Administrator. Mr. Penny noted that the draft criteria document provided did not include an edit he had made in a previous meeting to criteria No. 6, changing the word *the* to *and* and the word *agencies* to *agency*. With the two corrections made, all voted in favor.

10. Public Comments

No public comment.

11. Adjournment (next meeting scheduled for November 5, 2015)

Motion made by Mr. Eagan and seconded by Mr. O'Connor to adjourn at 1:54 P.M. All voted in favor.