



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
**GOVERNOR DANIEL P. MALLOY**

**Governor's Cabinet on Nonprofit Health and Human Services**

Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, June 15, 2016  
9:00-11:00 a.m.  
Legislative Office Building, Room 1D

**Cabinet Members Present:** Co-Chair Anne Foley; Co-Chair Luis Perez; Commissioner Amy Porter; Anne Ruwet; Commissioner Betsy Ritter; Bill Hass; Robert Dakers; Dave Stevenson; Deborah Ennis; Josie Robles; Maureen Price-Boreland; Rick Porth; Sandy Porteus; and Commissioner Miriam Delphin-Rittmon

**Designees:** Dimple Desai for Commissioner Evonne Klein; Brian Hill for Stephen Grant; Cheryl Cepelak for Commissioner Scott Semple; Ann Simeone for Kathleen Brennan; and Yvonne Addo for Commissioner Raul Pino

**Absent:** Commissioner Myra Jones-Taylor; Jim Maloney; Lois Nesci; Amos Smith; Kathleen Stauffer; Commissioner Morna Murray; Roberta Cook; and Lois Nesci

**Other Participants:** Alyssa Goduti

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**Welcome and Introductions:** Co-Chair Luis Perez called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m. He acknowledged the victims of the tragedy in Orlando, Florida and their families. Members introduced themselves.

**Public Comment:** No public comments.

**Approval of Minutes of 5/11/16 Cabinet Meeting:** A motion was made by Anne Ruwet and seconded by Bill Hass to approve the May 11, 2016 meeting minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously on a voice vote.

**Review and Discussion of Work Group Recommendations:**

- Business Practice Work Group
  - Work Group Co-Chairs Bill Hass and Brian Hill presented the recommendations of their work group and its two subcommittees: Data and Technology and Business Models. The recommendations can be found [here](#).

#### Recommended changes by members

- Charge 3
  - Revise recommendation 3 of Charge 3 from “Award organizations seeking State funding extra points for having implemented a process improvement project” to “Include a review of a provider’s process improvement efforts as part of the evaluation process for those seeking State Funding”.
- Contract Procurement and Administration Work Group
  - Work Group Co-Chair Alyssa Goduti and Deborah Ennis presented the recommendations of the Work Group and its two subcommittees: Contract Reform and Payment Reform. The recommendations can be found [here](#).

#### Recommended changes by members:

- Charge 3
  - Healthcare Survey Results - clarify the following response to the question, Since January 2015, how has the cost of providing health care benefits to your employee changed for your agency? “On average increased 6.03% of the total agency budget”.
  - Healthcare Recommendation - amend to include “explore working with the Department of Insurance and the Lieutenant Governor’s Senior Healthcare Advisor to determine the feasibility of forming a workgroup to collectively research and develop options to help nonprofits address the rising cost of healthcare”.
- Charge 4
  - Amend Charge 4 to include an explanation regarding the shift of the Residential Revolving Loan Fund from DDS to DSS and add “explore working with DSS regarding workgroup recommendations”.

Co-Chair Anne Foley noted that, although she is supportive of the recommendations of the Contract Procurement and Administration Work Group, some of the recommendations such as the Revenue Retention Pilots and establishing a Purchase of Service Rate Setting Office could not be implemented in the near future due to State fiscal constraints.

Co-Chair Luis Perez requested a motion to approve the recommendations of the Business Practice Work Group and Contract Procurement and Administration Work Group, as amended by comments of Cabinet members. The motion was made by Maureen Price-Boreland and seconded by Cheryl Cepelak. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Work group Co-Chairs will amend their recommendations and submit for inclusion in the final report.

**Review Draft 2016 Cabinet Report:** Co-Chair Anne Foley provided members with a brief overview of the 2016 Draft Cabinet Report. The report will be amended to reflect feedback by cabinet members including: adding the Principles to Guide the State-Private Provider Partnership; adding other appropriate documents submitted by members to the appendix; incorporate the theme recommended by the Contract Procurement and Administration Work Group; add a section on next steps; and revise the 2012-2014 Cabinet recommendations to include a grid showing the status of the recommendations.

The report will be finalized and submitted to Governor Malloy for his consideration. The Co-Chairs will meet with the Governor's Chief of Staff to discuss the Cabinet's recommendations.

**Governor's Nonprofit Grant Program (NGP) Update:** Co-chair Anne Foley asked Robert Dakers to provide an update on the NGP. He noted that Round 3 of the RFP process had \$30 million, of which, \$15 million was approved by the State Bond Commission. Of the \$15 million allocated about half of the contracts have been executed and the other half are in process of being executed. Co-Chair Anne Foley added that OPM's intent is to move forward on the remaining \$15 million. She also noted that there is additional authorization for this year and OPM will discuss how to proceed with these funds.

**Nonprofit Collaboration Incentive Grant Update:** Of the original \$5 million bond authorization, \$335,000 remains unspent due to a withdrawn application. One option OPM is considering is to set aside these funds in case there is a collaboration project that comes through the regular NGP grant process. Funds would be used to supplement the NGP funds for a collaboration project.

**Other business:**

No other business indicated.

**Next Steps:** Co-Chair Luis Perez recommended that the Cabinet meet quarterly and subcommittees meeting in between Cabinet meetings. A meeting will be scheduled for September. At the September meeting members will decide if the Cabinet should meet more frequently.

Co-Chair Luis Perez noted that after the recommendations have been reviewed by the Governor, the composition of the Cabinet may change to include other state agencies and equal representation between state and nonprofits would be maintained.

**Adjournment:**

Co-Chair Luis Perez requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was properly moved and seconded. The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Recorder: Pamela Trotman, Office of Policy and Management