

Minutes of the Meeting of the Utah Privatization Policy Board
Tuesday January 19, 2010 10:00 a.m.
Room 3150, State Office Building
Salt Lake City, Utah

Attendees

Senator Brent Goodfellow, Representative Fred Hunsaker, Senator Howard Stephenson, Robin Riggs, Kent Beers, James Kesler, Curtis McCarthy, Steve White, Dave Osborn, Steve Densley, Ted Boyer, Chris Bruhn, Nancy Orton, Kim Jones, Kerry Casaday

Excused

Steve Dickson, Tanya Henrie

Visitors

Becky Brusco, Todd Losser, Nicholas Bradford

Welcome and Introductions

Senator Brent Goodfellow, Chair, conducted the meeting.

Approval of Minutes:

Ted Boyer made a motion that we approve the November 24, 2009 minutes. Jim Kesler seconded his motion and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Chris Bruhn introduced himself to the board.

Kent Beers stated that Chris Bruhn is the Internal Auditor for the Department of Administrative Services. As you recall from the last meeting we noted that in our Department of Purchasing we had \$28,000.00 that was approved by the legislature in non lapsing funds that we asked that we could use since the research analyst position was cut to hire a technician or an assistant to help Tracey Stevens. Tracey Stevens was one of our purchasing agent's who devoted part of her time to try and help the board. Then Tracey took a new job. Purchasing thought they could take the funds and hire a temporary employee. With subsequent budget cuts that have rolled over here in the last month we thought we could hire Chris Bruhn for $\frac{3}{4}$ of the time helping us with Privatization Policy Board and then continue with his work in doing the internal audits for the department. We are happy to have him and he started last week. He sent out a copy of the survey that the board had approved to the Department of Agriculture last week. This week he will send a copy of the survey out to the Department of Alcohol and Beverage Control. We started to develop a spreadsheet so we can put our matrix together.

Chris Bruhn handed a copy of the spreadsheet to the board members.

Kent Beers said that as we sent out the survey it had two parts that we combined into one entire survey. As you recall the second part asked for a description of the services that the agency is providing and a detailed description of each one of the functions so that we could read it and have some kind of basic understanding of what they are doing. Then it penetrates a little bit further asking questions such as: "Are there competitors for this service or function in the private sector? Yes or No "Is it advertized in the yellow pages or on the internet?" Yes or No "Is there more than one competitor for this service or function? Yes or No

Chris Bruhn will go through all of these surveys as they come back he will put in the first line of the spreadsheet a very condensed one or two sentence description of the function or service and then their response that comes back. Then he will have to spend some time in cases where it isn't clear what they are doing or it isn't clear if there is private sector competition and will have to make a recommendation to the board whether they should consider that agency and its function for further analysis or review.

Steve Densley suggested there be a place in the spreadsheet where it could show what the basis was for recommending or not recommending further review.

Chris Bruhn said he could put that in the spreadsheet.

Kent Beers asked if the board would like the different agencies to present the different functions they do to the board or should Chris first filter through the information and then make a recommendation.

Senator Goodfellow thought that as we get the information and have questions we could have the different divisions come in and respond.

Kent Beers said that we have enough funding with the fiscal year 2010 which is \$28,000.00 to job share Chris Bruhn until the end of June. In our request for our budget going forward for fiscal year 2011 there is \$46,000.00 that we would ask if we could keep that non lapsing also. So if we could be persuaded in the legislature to retain that it would help. Otherwise with the additional cuts that we have made here we just don't have anyone. This board would be at a halt because there would not be anyone to do the work.

Senator Howard Stevenson and Senator Brent Goodfellow will work together to try and keep funding for the board.

Senator Stephenson would like to in a future meeting discuss limiting counties from offering services outside of their county boundaries.

Senator Goodfellow said that he would put any bills on the agenda that has to do with anything that this board is trying to accomplish.

Next Meetings

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday February 10, 2010 at 12:00 in the GOPB Board Room on the 1st Floor of the Capitol, North West Corner