

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Utah State Privatization Policy Board**

Wednesday, June 29, 2011 10:00 a.m. State Capitol, Room 450 Salt Lake City, Utah

**Attendees**

Randy Simmons, Curtis McCarthy, James Kesler, Manuel Torres, Kent Beers, Chris Bruhn, Steve Densley, Howard Stephenson, Diana Harvey, Johnny Anderson, Paul Tonks.

**Excused**

Kerry Casaday, Karen Mayne, Kim Jones, Gary Neilsen, Sherrie Hayashi, Robin Riggs, Steve White.

**Visitors**

Royce Van Tassell, Charice McCarthy, Robert Rolfs, Michaels Hales, David Patton, Jeff Mulitao, Todd Sutton, Steve Gehrke, Mike Haddon, Nicole Sherwood, Jan Johnson

**Welcome and Introductions**

Randy Simmons, Chair conducted the meeting.

**David Patton gave presentation on Department of Health's involvement in HB174 and a description of services provided by his department.**

- Mr. Patton gave a presentation on the services that his department had considered to be "commercial" in nature and HB 174 for Medicaid Eligibility.
- 18 programs had privatization potential however, only 7 were considered highly likely.
- Jim Kesler asked whether or not private labs could help in testing due to the fact that an old colleague had discussed an over-bearing workload.
- Mr. Patton and colleagues explained the cost increase and how they have managed workloads to alleviate some of those concerns.
- Howard Stephenson stated that the lab services were being handled by delaying turn-around times to keep staff busy. Dave said that was not the case.
- Michael Hales gave a synopsis on the RFP process for privatizing Medicaid services.
- Mr. Patton discussed the fact that some services were still being pursued and researched for privatization purposes.
- Kent Beers suggested that the "Services List" created by Chris Bruhn should incorporate a fourth category for "further study/being reviewed."

**Presentation of Department of Corrections services- See Attached**

- Mike Haddon provided a handout and discussed the department's philosophy and services they had previously privatized.
- Mr. Haddon explained a couple of scenarios in the past where the department had pursued privatization and had experienced negative results. I.e. Promontory Community Correctional Center, and the Parole Violator Center.
- Senator Stephenson asked if the Parole Violator Center could be staffed by state employees, why Corrections couldn't pursue a RFP for the Center.
- Mr. Haddon explained that they currently don't have enough money in the budget to fully cover the center and that private businesses normally would not respond to partial funding.
- Mr. Haddon suggested and explained that he would be more than willing to meet with Senator Stephenson and other legislators to discuss further funding.

**Review and Vote on “Services List”- Chris Bruhn- See Attached**

- Chris Bruhn stated that the previous “Services List” had been revamped by Chris and Kent Beers, but since the Board did not have a quorum present they could not vote on approving the list but suggestions could and should be made.
- Steve Densley asked that the list have annotations included to clear up why things were marked the way they were for better clarification.

**Next Meeting**

August 24, 2011 at 10:00 at State Capitol Room 450.