

Regulation Modernization Taskforce
Special Meeting
Friday, October 19, 2012
Room 2600, LOB

Members Present: Kendall Wiggin, Rich Hanratty, John Barrett, Dick Hemenway, John Vittner, Chris Drake, Brenda Parella, Denise Merrill, Bob Frankel, Angela Taetz

1. Call to Order at 10:03am
2. Approval of Minutes. John Barrett moved, Dick Hemenway seconded. Frankel Abstained. Approved.
3. Update on Consultant
 - a. 20,000 from OPM. MOU about to be signed to transfer money to DAS. Solicited consultants. Received 11 resumes.
 - b. Angela and Chris met with two yesterday. Discuss about those meetings.
 - c. Motion to authorize Chris to interview and recommend a consultant, Barrett moved, Rich second, approved unanimously.
4. Report and discussion on subcommittee for statutory revisions.
 - a. Brenda, Rich, Bob, Chris on subcommittee.
 - b. Current law may need tweaks depending on how the taskforce wants to move forward, e.g., passive v. active system.
 - c. Passive system: Agency would log into database. SOTS would have similar role as now; post on website for final regulations. Passive approach puts agencies more in control of process. SOTS does not want to have anything to say for content. They don't have the capacity. There is concern about having the agencies regulate themselves with no checks.
 - d. Dick: keep in mind the smaller quasi agencies. 1 person from his shop sits and reads every single word, we will have to replicate that. Programs may be able to help cut down on some of that labor. We need a recommendation in our end report about someone checking the work at the end. Taskforce seems very comfortable with the passive system. Motion to adopt passive approach, ken moved, Brenda second, unanimous.
5. Discussion regarding creating a temporary website
 - a. Online, temporarily, basic search. Shows we are moving in the right direction. Not a permanent solution.
 - b. SOTS has been looking into this. Basic word search. Looking into disclaimers. Positive to the public. It does satisfy the requirement for "online searchable database." Get agencies to take their own stuff down and link to this temporarily. How do we start getting agencies

involved? Figure out interim step – don't have to do this twice.
Where will you direct people? BEST staff is set up to do this, number
in the Blue Book. 622 number. We need to figure out these problems.
Where will people call. Guidance v. legal advice.

- c. Motion for SOTS to move on temporary website, Bob Frankel moved,
John Barrett. second, all in favor, Dick abstained. Angela will work
with SOTS office.

6. Scheduling: pencil in for next Friday at 10:00, will make a call on it early next
week.

7. Adjourn at 11:07, moved by SOTS, second John V.