

Governor's Cabinet on Nonprofit Health and Human Services

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 11, 2016
9:00-11:00
Legislative Office Building, Room 1D

<u>Cabinet Members Present</u>: co-Chair Anne Foley; co-Chair Luis Perez; Commissioner Amy Porter; Anne Ruwet; Commissioner Betsy Ritter; Bill Hass; Bob Dakers; Dave Stevenson; Deb Ennis; Josie Robles; Kathleen Stauffer; Maureen Price-Boreland; Commissioner Morna Murray; Rick Porth; Roberta Cook; Sandy Porteus; and Commissioner Scott Semple

<u>Designees</u>: Dimple Desai for Commissioner Evonne Klein; Michael Michaud for Commissioner Miriam Delphin-Rittmon; and Brian Hill for Stephen Grant

<u>Absent</u>: Myra Jones-Taylor; Jim Maloney; Kathleen Brennan; Lois Nesci; Amos Smith; and Raul Pino

Other Participants: Alyssa Goduti; and Cheryl Cepelak

<u>Welcome and Introductions:</u> Interim Co-Chair Anne Foley called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. Members introduced themselves.

Public Comment: No public comments.

<u>Approval of Minutes of 11/4/15 Cabinet Meeting:</u> A motion was made by Bill Hass and seconded by Anne Ruwet to approve the November 4, 2015 meeting minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously on a voice vote.

Review and Discussion of Work Group Recommendations:

- Nonprofit Employment and Training Work Group
 - Work Group Co-Chairs Cheryl Cepelak and Anne Ruwet presented the recommendations of the work group and its three subcommittees: second

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chance society, training and staffing, and employment and outreach. The recommendations can be found here.

Anne Foley requested a motion to approve the recommendations of the Nonprofit Employment and Training Work Group. The motion was made by Anne Ruwet and seconded by Maureen Price-Boreland. Motion passed unanimously on a voice vote.

- 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.
- Contract Procurement and Administration Work Group
 - Work Group Co-Chair Alyssa Goduti and Deb Ennis presented the recommendations of the Work Group and its two subcommittees: contract reform and payment reform. The recommendations can be found here.

Members agreed to table voting on the recommendations of the Business Practice and the Contract Procurement & Administration work groups until the June 15 meeting. The groups will return then with more fleshed out information.

Governor's Nonprofit Grant Program Update:

Co-chair Anne Foley noted that this body made one recommendation in the fall to the Governor to increase the authorization for the NGP. Anne thanked the governor for increasing the bond authorization in his bond bill for the NGP. It is expected that the bond bill will be voted on by the General Assembly later in the week and that authorization will remain in the bill.

Co-chair Anne Foley announced that New York has reached out to Connecticut OPM staff to ask for technical assistance in establishing a nonprofit grant program.

Co-Chair Anne Foley announced that there is some unallocated funding for the nonprofit grant program that has not gone before the bond commission yet. Anne will meet with Secretary Barnes and Bob Dakers to discuss the timing of this and will provide an update to the members during the June meeting.

Nonprofit Collaboration Incentive Grant Update:

Of the original \$5 million bond authorization, \$335,000 remains unspent due to a withdrawn application. A summary of the program is available and will be sent to members and posted on the website. OPM will decide how to proceed with allocating the remaining funds, including

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options for an additional RFP, a review of previous applications, or allowing the funding to lapse.

A final vote on the recommendations for the two outstanding work groups will be made during the June meeting. A framework of a report for members to review will also be available in June. Afterwards the Cabinet will send their report with the recommendations to the Governor. Co-chair Luis Perez suggested that a follow-up discussion with the chairs would be held to discuss a timeline. A report-template will be sent to the co-chairs as soon as possible.

Other business:

No other business indicated.

Adjournment:

Co-Chair Anne Foley requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Moved by Commissioner Ritter, seconded by Commissioner Semple. The meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

Recorder: Amy Tibor, Office of Policy and Management