## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE FINANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Held in Room 1E of the Legislative Office Building on February 2, 2006.

PRESENT: Lieutenant Governor Kevin Sullivan

Mark Ojakian, Deputy Comptroller Howard Rifkin, Deputy Treasurer

Senator Toni Harp Senator David Cappiello Representative Peter Tercyak Representative Arthur O'Neill

Robert L. Genuario, Secretary and Clerk,

Office of Policy & Management

John Bacewicz, Executive Budget Officer, Office of

Policy & Management, Budget and Financial Management Division

ABSENT: Governor M. Jodi Rell

Representative Denise Merrill

Lieutenant Governor Sullivan called the meeting to order at 1:05 P.M.

- 1. It was voted to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 5, 2006.
- 2. The following new transactions were approved by the Committee:

<u>FAC 2006-7 – Office of Policy & Management</u> – A transfer of \$200,000 from Manufacturing Machinery and Equipment to Elderly Renters to allow payment of all claims filed under Elderly Renters Program. There was no discussion on this item and it was unanimously approved by the Committee.

FAC 2006-8 – Office of Policy & Management – A total transfer of \$1,500,000. \$500,000 from Manufacturing Machinery and Equipment, \$400,000 from Other Expenses and \$600,000 from Distressed Municipalities to Capital City Economic Development Authority (CCEDA) for higher energy costs and associated operating costs related to the Convention Center. Lieutenant Governor Sullivan raised questions which were answered by the Executive Director of CCEDA concerning the specifics of the shortfall in the CCEDA operating budget. Primary concerns centered around marketing expenditures. This item was unanimously approved by the Committee.

<u>FAC 2006-9 – Department of Social Services – A transfer of \$2,000,000 from Medicaid to Refunds of Collections to meet anticipated requirements.</u> Lieutenant Governor Sullivan asked Secretary Genuario to explain the item further, which he did. Representative Tercyak asked if all the payments are related to children. Secretary Genuario responded by saying that yes, they are all child support payments. This item was unanimously approved by the Committee.

<u>FAC 2006-10 – Connecticut State University System</u> – Finance Advisory Committee approval to spend \$1,000,000 from Operating Fund Reserves for renovation of Elihu Burritt Library at Central Connecticut State University. Discussion centered around the nuance of the law that requires FAC approval for such expenditures, why these expenses were not authorized in the prior/current Bond Acts and the relationship between the use of Operating Fund reserves and Bond Authorizations. This item was unanimously approved by the Committee.

## FAC 2006-11 - Connecticut State University System - Withdrawn

<u>FAC 2006-12 – Connecticut State University System</u> – Finance Advisory Committee approval to spend \$3,120,096 from Operating Fund Reserves to replace Temporary Buildings 4, 5 and 7 at Southern Connecticut State University. Discussion centered around the nuance of the law that requires FAC approval for such expenditures, why these expenses were not authorized in the prior/current Bond Acts and the relationship between the use of Operating Fund reserves and Bond Authorizations. This item was unanimously approved by the Committee.

3. The meeting was then adjourned at 1:35 P.M.

Robert L. Genuario

Clerk