

STATE OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE OF GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTABILITY

STATE CONTRACTING STANDARDS BOARD

Final & Approved November 4, 2016 Special Meeting of the Data Analysis Work Group First Floor Conference Room, 999 Asylum Avenue, Hartford, CT 06105

Members Present: Alfred Bertoline, Chair Bruce Buff

Stuart Mahler, Acting Secretary

Call to order

Meeting called to order by Chair Bertoline at 12:02 P.M.

In reviewing the compilation of data compiled so far, Chair Bertoline suggested the next step will require a narrowing of the focus. When state contracts are completed and performance reviews collected were they being evaluated as part of the contractual process? Also, "120 day "contracts (used by retired employees called back work) are approved because of state budget constraints on hiring but we weren't sure if this is considered a contract. Julia Marques will check into this.

A discussion followed on which agencies to concentrate on state contracting agencies and not those agencies excluded by statute. It was suggested we look at large agencies. We're excluded by statute from looking at executive agencies such as the judicial branch, the legislative branch, the State Treasurer, the State Comptroller, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of State. Even though they have a large amount of outside contracts they fall outside of the board's jurisdiction.

The Work Group felt it should look at the agencies we have control over. Before the next Board meet, the Work Group will try to get the following information from OPM

PSAs contracts for 2016:

- 1. By Contractors (by agency)
- 2. By Agency.
- 3. Bid/No Bid Contracts
- 4. Waiver Documentation

POS contracts for 2016

- 1. POS contracts by agency
- 2. By Agency
- 3. Bid/No Bid Contracts

The Work Group would then be able to make some recommendations based on the analysis.

A discussion followed on the exemption process and the reasons for granting them and not automatically going sole source. Could it further broken down into routine/non routine exemptions? Who is to blame for granting exemptions? The agencies say, "We followed the process and OPM gave its approval. "The information can be used to get a better handle on controlling costs.

Adjournment

Motion made by Bruce Buff and seconded by Alfred Bertoline to adjourn. All voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted: Stuart Mahler