



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
OFFICE OF GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTABILITY  
STATE CONTRACTING STANDARDS BOARD

Final & Approved Minutes  
Friday, March 10, 2017 Meeting of the State Contracting Standards Board Privatization  
Committee  
5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room  
18-20 Trinity Street, Hartford, Connecticut

Members Present

Claudia Baio, Chair  
Thomas Ahneman  
Charles Casella – Via Conference Telephone  
Brenda Sisco

1. [Call to order](#)

The meeting was called to order at 11:03 A.M. by Chair Baio.

2. [Recess](#)

Motion made by Brenda Sisco and seconded by Thomas Ahneman to recess the meeting at 11:02 A.M. All voted in favor.

Motion made by Thomas Ahneman to return from recess at 12:05 P.M. All voted in favor

3. [Approve the minutes of the December 9, 2016 meeting](#)

Motion made by Brenda Sisco and seconded by Thomas Ahneman to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2016 meeting. All voted in favor.

4. [Department of Transportation \(DOT\) Bridge Safety Inspection Review](#)

Chair Baio initiated discussion by directing the Privatization Contract Committee to the February 8, 2017 Review communication from Commissioner James Redeker of the Department of Transportation.

Committee members raised concerns with the format of the information provided.

Noting that the Board is down to one staff person, Chair Baio summarized the discussion. The Committee by consensus directed David Guay to communicate with the Department of Transportation.

- Ask Commissioner Redeker or his designee to attend the next Privatization Contract Committee meeting.
- Ask the Department of Transportation to provide the Privatization Contract Committee their itemized Cost Benefit Analysis using the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) template.

#### 5. [Public Comment](#)

Ned Statchen, DOT Bridge Safety employee addressed the Privatization Committee. Mr. Statchen raised concerns with the pace of implementation of the DOT plan to hire bridge inspectors to fill current vacancies. Mr. Statchen's concerns include current hiring efforts and the creation of new job classifications.

Travis Woodward, a DOT employee, addressed the Privatization Committee, he is a project engineer working in construction doing inspections and has been with the DOT for fourteen years. Mr. Woodward followed Mr. Statchen, providing salary and position information for the bridge inspection program. Mr. Woodward offered that hiring five new bridge inspectors per year is a very slow pace.

#### 6. [Other business](#)

Mr. Casella suggested Inviting Robert Dakers of OPM to attend the next Privatization Contract Committee meeting along with representatives of DOT.

#### 7. [Adjournment](#)

Motion made by Brenda Sisco and second by Charles Casella to adjourn. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted: David Guay