



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
OFFICE OF GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTABILITY  
STATE CONTRACTING STANDARDS BOARD

Final & Approved  
Minutes

Friday, March 11, 2022 - 09:00 A.M. Meeting of the State Contracting Standards Board Audit  
Committee

Via Microsoft Teams

Members Present:

Al Bertoline  
Thomas Ahneman, Chair  
Lauren Gauthier  
Jean Morningstar  
Stuart Mahler  
Robert Rinker

David L. Guay, Executive Director - ex-officio Board member  
Ryan Chester, Staff – 2021-2022 UConn Graduate Intern

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 9:04 AM.

2. Approve minutes of December 10, 2021

Al Bertoline motioned, and David Guay seconded. Thomas Ahneman and Jean Morningstar abstained. Majority voted in favor.

3. FY 2020 Audit Status

David Guay listed the agencies that have responded to our Audit. Many have listed that they do not do any procurement. For the agencies who have not responded as of today, Ryan Chester and David Guay will reach out via email or phone to them.

Thomas Ahneman asked about the working situation for state agencies.

David Guay responded.

Thomas Ahneman noted there are 15 agencies that have responded, 18 agencies have yet to respond out of the 33 agencies.

David Guay reviewed the more streamlined compliance report. Now, board members will not have to reenter the data into the compliance report. The audit instrument will simply be attached. Board members can now focus mainly on their comments.

Ryan Chester reviewed a sample response from the Department of Aging and Disability Services.

Thomas Ahneman asked about the totals of certain questions not adding up which might be something we reach out to that agency about. Chair Ahneman continued to ask whether we have a list of the agencies under our jurisdiction that do not handle their own procurement.

Ryan Chester answered not currently, but that list can be generated.

Thomas Ahneman asked about MOUs and MOAs, whether they were used if an agency does not handle their own procurement.

David Guay reviewed some logistics for board members to use the compliance report.

Al Bertoline asked if there is any movement about replacing the Executive Director when David Guay retires.

David Guay stated that it will be up to the Governor whether he appoints the acting executive director until the next legislative session when the acting director can be approved by the legislature. The executive branch seems unlikely to support this Board after David Guay's retirement. David Guay continued that Daniel Rovero will be joining the Audit Committee to help with the audit. After this meeting, David Guay and Ryan Chester will be assigning board members to agencies that have responded.

#### 4. Adjournment

Al Bertoline motioned, Stuart Mahler seconded. All voted in favor.

Motion adjourned at 9:26 AM

Respectfully Submitted: Ryan Chester