



STATE of CONNECTICUT
Office of Governmental Accountability
State Contracting Standards Board

Regular Meeting

Friday, October 10, 2025 - 10:00 A.M.
Location: 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT
Conference Room G006D & G007E and *Virtual*

In Attendance:

Rochelle Palache, Chair of the SCSB
Keith Brothers (virtual)
Roberto Fernandez (virtual)
Lauren Gauthier (virtual)
Donna Karnes (in person)
Salvatore Luciano (virtual)
Jean Morningstar (virtual)

Gregory Daniels, Executive Director
Aaron Felman, Staff Attorney
Maritza Lopez, Accounts Examiner
Carmen Hufcut, Trainer Specialist

MINUTES

1. Call to Order: Chair Palache called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.
 - A. Roll Call of Board Members
2. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Approval of the minutes from the September 12, 2025, SCSB Regular Meeting
A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by: Roberto Fernandez
The motion was seconded by: Donna Karnes
The motion passed unanimously with one abstention from Salvatore Luciano
3. Executive Session: legal advice regarding pending claim before AAG Colleen Valentine.
 - A. Purpose: Legal advice regarding a pending claim before the Office of Public Hearings.
 - B. Invitee: Associate Attorney General Colleen Valentine
A motion to open the executive session was made by: Roberto Fernandez
The motion was seconded by: Salvatore Luciano
The motion passed unanimously.

As the Executive Session was being initiated, a fire evacuation was activated. We were forced to interrupt the regular Board meeting in progress.

After receiving approval to return to the building, a quorum of members resumed the Executive Session. They exited the Executive Session at 12:14 p.m.

4. Adjournment: Chair Palache announced a quorum was no longer present; therefore, the meeting was **suspended** at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Aleshia M. Hall
Administrative Assistant