

Productivity Board Meeting Minutes

January 7, 2005

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

Secretary of State, Sam Reed called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Sam welcomed all in attendance, and began introductions.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members present: Sam Reed, Brian Sonntag, Rob Fukai, Mike Kerschbaum, George Masten, Wanda Riley, Terry Teale, Joyce Turner and Scott Turner

Board Members absent: Kathleen Brockman

Staff present: Josi Brooks, Chana Clark, Lonni Rickard and Tracy Workman.

Guests Present: Art Mead, FTE Magazine

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board moved, seconded, and voted unanimously to approve the Dec. 3, 2004 minutes as written.

MONTHLY UPDATE

Tracy Workman reported that tickets for the State Employees Day with the Seattle Supersonics went on sale December 10th and since then over 400 tickets have been purchased. The reception of a four game packet has been widely popular and exciting, as the Sonics are still in first place standing.

Tracy went on to say that Staff held the second PSRW meeting December 7th with 29 area representatives attending either in person, or by teleconference. Committees are already formed, with the Chairs organizing meetings and delegating projects. The next scheduled meeting is January 12, 2005.

The Extra Mile Committee distributed the nomination form in December. Tracy said the form is also available online under the PSRW link. Also in discussion is the theme for this year's PSRW and some of the suggestions are: Celebrate Washington; Moving Washington into the Future; Washington, Leading by Example, and Forming the Future.

Tracy then reported that Invitations for Innovations in State Government Awards Ceremony will be mailed out in the next couple weeks. The Ceremony is scheduled for March 16, 2005, and will be held in the Capitol Rotunda.

Tracy reported that January 5th was Law and Justice Day for Leadership Thurston County, with classes about drug enforcement in Thurston County. Groups were then formed, and site visits to the Juvenile Justice Center, Thurston County Prosecuting Attorney, Monarch Children's Justice and Advocacy Center, and the State Superior Court were held. Tracy reported the information was very interesting, and, she felt, very informative.

TEAMWORK INCENTIVE PROGRAM – APPLICATION

Lonni Rickard gave a brief overview of this application, and Mike Kerschbaum and George Masten each said they concurred with staff recommendations. It was moved, seconded, and *the Board voted unanimously to accept agency and staff recommendations.*

EMPLOYEE SUGGESTION ADOPTS

Mike Kerschbaum reviewed and concurred with the agency and staff recommendation. It was moved, seconded, and *the Board voted unanimously to accept agency and staff recommendations.*

MULTIPLE AGENCY SUGGESTIONS

Mike Kerschbaum reviewed and concurred with the agency and staff recommendation. It was moved, seconded, and *the Board voted unanimously to accept the agency and staff recommendations with the following notation:*

Page 3 of 3 200400007 **Question:** Should we keep this open and track savings if a sale is made?

Answer: The DOC coordinator was sent a copy of the SHS evaluation. If a sale is made within 2 years, the suggestion will be reopened.

EMPLOYEE SUGGESTION NON-ADOPTS

George Masten reviewed, and concurred with staff non-adopt recommendations. It was moved and seconded, and *the Board voted unanimously to accept agency and staff recommendations.*

OTHER BUSINESS

Sam reported that with the submittal of Governor Locke's proposed budget, he is once again calling for the dismantling of the Productivity Board. Sam went on to say that the Productivity Board must be in the process of defending the need to provide this service to the state of Washington. Sam said this defense will need to be well organized, meeting with the new Governor, and ultimately, testifying before the Legislature regarding the value of continuing with the Productivity Board. Tracy reported that she has already begun working on statistics to back up the need to retain the Board.

There was discussion by all Board Members regarding this, and being of one mind, agreed that there is a need to make sure this Board is not eliminated. Everyone offered to do what they can to help.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting is scheduled for February 4, 2005 in the Office of the Secretary of State, Legislative Building from 10:00 – 11:00 AM.

Reminder: The reviewers for February are Kathleen Brockman and Joyce Turner.

ADJOURNMENT –There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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