

**Productivity Board Meeting Minutes**  
March 2, 2007

**WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

Secretary of State, Sam Reed called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m., welcomed all in attendance and began the round of introductions of Board, Staff and Guests.

**ATTENDANCE**

**Board Members present:** Sam Reed, Brian Sonntag, Linda Villegas Bremer, Mike Kerschbaum, and Scott Turner.

**Board Members absent:** Kathleen Brockman, Roselyn Marcus, George Masten, Wanda Riley, and Terry Teale

**Staff present:** Josi Brooks, Chana Clark, Linnaea Jablonski

**Staff Absent:** Tracy Workman, Special Programs Manager

**Guests:** Cathie Tedrick, Washington Public Employees Association

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed, moved, seconded, and voted unanimously to approve the February 2, 2007 minutes as written.

**MONTHLY UPDATE**

Chana Clark reported on the Innovations in State Government Award Ceremony that was held February 7, 2007 in the Capitol Rotunda. She said the even was a huge success, and 42 state employees were recognized. Their combined efforts and contributions saved Washington State \$3.3 million during 2006.

Chana discussed the success that Secretary Reed and Tracy Workman are having in meeting with agency directors whose participation had dropped off. In February they met with Department of Agriculture Director Valoria Loveland, and Tracy met with the General Administration management team. Linda Villegas Bremer said Tracy will be meeting with some of the other programs directly so that they can hear more about the program.

Chana said she and Linnaea will be meeting with Bates College, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Seattle Community Colleges.

Planning for the upcoming PSRW is going strong with the outlying areas "full steam ahead": all the dates and times are posted on the webpage. Washington State Employees Credit Union (WSECU) is setting up a coffee cart, and giving out 1,000 mochas.

Secretary Reed asked how the Board felt about the Innovations Awards Ceremony, and Linda mentioned she thought they were wonderful, well attended, and there was such diversity of awards and people. Scott Turner mentioned the acoustical problem is outweighed by the importance of what the event is, and State Auditor Brian Sonntag said the visibility of the Innovations in State Government to the Legislators was good, and that "visibility" is priceless. Mike Kerschbaum mentioned that moving the podium more to the center was a good idea. Linda mentioned, too, that she appreciated the script. Secretary Reed commented on the articles in the Olympian regarding state employees, and that he felt they were positive.

Linnaea gave a quick update on Teamwork Incentive Program (TIP), and said that next month, there will be another TIP team to recognize; this one dealing with the Tacoma Narrows Bridge. She said there will be another TIP team in June, and that the Liquor Control Board will be having another TIP hopefully this spring. Mike said the Tacoma Narrows Bridge is such a visible thing. Secretary Reed asked if this was for the painting, and Linnaea said this is for the creation of a new machine that strips off the old paint, and prepares the surface for new paint.

#### **EMPLOYEE SUGGESTION ADOPTS**

Brian Sonntag reviewed, concurred with agency evaluations, and recommended approval. Linda commented on the suggestion regarding smoking, and said it was ironic that a health facility would have an area for smoking. Discussion followed. It was moved, seconded, and *the Board voted unanimously to accept agency and staff recommendations.*

#### **EMPLOYEE SUGGESTION NON-ADOPTS**

Chana reported in George Masten's absence, and said that he concurred with agency evaluations, and recommend approval. It was moved, seconded, and *the Board voted unanimously to accept agency and staff recommendations.*

#### **NEXT BOARD MEETING**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for April 6, 2007 in the Office of the Secretary of State, Legislative Building at 10:00 AM.

- **Reminder:** The reviewers for April are Kathleen Brockman and Roselyn Marcus. *Both reviewers will also review any Appeals and Teamwork Incentive Program applications presented.*

**ADJOURNMENT** –There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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