Governor's Commission on Minority and Women's Business Enterprises

Quarterly Public Commission Meeting
Indiana Government Center South, Conference Room A
Monday, September 9, 2013 | 1:08 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

Chairman Jamal Smith called the meeting to order Monday, September 9, 2013 at 1:08 p.m.

II. Roll Call

Jessica Thayer took roll call – those members present were:

Jamal Smith Chairman	Jessica Robertson IDOA Commissioner	Tim Grogg Interim MWBE Deputy Commissioner	Heather Kennedy INDOT Representative
Jesse Moore	Sarah Taylor	Sylvia Trotter	Lani Chuang
Northern Representative	Central Representative	Central Representative	Southern Representative
Alfonso Vidal	Robin Shackleford	Sharon Nagele	Jean Breaux
Southern Representative	House Representative	House Representative	Senate Representative

III. Establish quorum

Quorum was established for the meeting.

IV. Adoption of Past Minutes

The June 10, 2013 meeting minutes were adopted.

Sen. Jean Breaux moved to adopt the June 10, 2013 meeting minutes. Mr. Jesse Moore seconded the motion. The motion passed and the June 10, 2013 Governor's Commission on Minority and Women's Business Enterprises meeting minutes were adopted.

V. Welcome remarks and Chairman's Update

a. Update

Felecia Roseburgh is no longer with the Indiana Department of Administration so a few action items from the June 10 meeting have been delayed.

b. Supplier Diversity Briefing

The Supplier Diversity Briefing has been approved by Commissioner Jessica Robertson. More discussions and a development of a subcommittee will be tabled until the appointment of the new Deputy Commissioner.

c. 2015 Disparity Study

With the transition of the new Deputy Commissioner, the decision on whether to procure a full or partial disparity study will be tabled. The commission members are to submit any concerns or further questions to the Interim Deputy Commissioner Tim Grogg.

VI. Interim Deputy Commissioner's Report

Mr. Tim Grogg provided the Interim Deputy Commissioner's report on the MWBE Division's progress through the last guarter.

Mr. Tim Grogg introduced a new member of the division's staff, Deputy Director of Business Development and Compliance Debra Ervin.

Mr. Tim Grogg handed out the division's report to the commission members.

The Deputy Commissioner's position was formally posted the previous Tuesday, September 3 and the department has been conducting interviews.

The original Administrative Law Judge hearing for Platt Construction versus the Division was conducted October 27, 2011. It is now set to be heard in Marion County's court system on October 15, 2013. As soon as the Division hears something definitive, they will notify the commission.

VII. INDOT DBE Program Update

Heather Kennedy from the Indiana Department of Transportation presented the INDOT DBE program update.

As of September 9, 2013 INDOT has 628 certified DBEs in its program.

To date, the program has received 73 new applications. As of September 9 the program had certified 47 and denied 13 with 8 withdrawals.

On August 1 INDOT submitted its proposed overall DBE goal to the Federal Highway Commission for approval at a 12.4 percent DBE utilization. That includes the construction, contractors, consultants, and procurement. INDOT has been operating at 12.4 percent, which was proposed from the 2010 Disparity Study. The last uniform report INDOT submitted biannually to the Federal Highway was 14.06 percent DBE utilization.

INDOT wrapped up its supportive services program, SINDI, in August. INDOT has 7 outreach events planned from September through November.

Since the last commission meeting on June 10, construction has begun on the East end of the Ohio River Bridges Project. There is no certified minority or women participation on the contract since federal dollars are being used, but INDOT does have 9 DBEs with signed, executed subcontractors on the project currently. Currently the project is on-track with meeting the DBE utilization goals.

VIII. New Business

No new business

IX. Public Comments

No comments

x. Adjourn

Ms. Sarah Taylor moved to adjourn the September 9, 2013 meeting. Ms. Sylvia Trotter seconded the motion. The motion passed and Chairman Smith adjourned the September 9, 2013 meeting at 1:55 p.m.