



Council Conference Call Minutes September 25th, 2009 9:00 AM

Attending:

George Goldsmith
John Wolf
Angie Decker
Lorraine Arrow
Wayne Rabideau

Meeting called to order at 9:10 AM as a quorum was present.

Agenda:

1. 2010 Contract RFP:

- a. Reason for UWNYS not bidding on RFP.
 1. The situation at UWNYS was explained by George.
- b. Retaining SEFA Director.
 1. George reported that the 2010 contract will include a position for the current SEFA Director, Suzanne Maloney.
 2. Concerns were expressed over “tying the hands of the bidder.”
 3. Also expressed were concerns over the budget increase to retain the current director.
 4. Concerns were expressed over the director’s responsiveness and prioritization of work assignments.
 5. Concerns expressed included those related to the brochure issues, data listings, and the digital donation form.
 6. George responded to these concerns.
 7. It was decided to not make changes in personnel, but to retain Suzanne and to continue with the programs approved in December 2008.
- c. Issues of potential respondents.
 1. The successful bidder, particularly one from outside the Capital region, must specify to the Council how the 2008 programs will be implemented and how the current director will be utilized.
 2. The successful bidder will review and evaluate the performance of the director.
 3. The director position will be funded by the Council and paid through the contract.
- d. Approval to release RFP to bid.
 1. The Council members were each queried on support for releasing the RFP as submitted.
 2. The decision to put the RFP to bid was unanimous.

2. Volunteer Attorney and Accountant

- a. Wayne suggested that the state labor unions as well as state employees be canvassed for persons interested in volunteering to provide legal and fiscal advice to the Council.
- 3. Budget for 2010 Contract**
 - a. George reported that the 2010 budget proposal will be sent to the Council for review and approval, soon. It needs preliminary approval to accompany the RFP.

The conference call was adjourned at 9:48 AM as the business of the day was concluded.

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