

Minutes of the Meeting of the Utah Privatization Policy Board

Tuesday April 13, 2004 10:00 a.m.

Room 3150 State Office Building

Salt Lake City, Utah

Attendees:

Jim Kesler, Bill Barton, Representative Loraine Pace, Ramona Rudert, Ted Boyer, Tanya Henrie, Senator Ron Allen, Douglas Richins

Excused:

Scott Carver, Commissioner Michael J. Cragun

Absent:

Representative Brent Goodfellow, Norm Tarbox, Douglas Durbano, Elizabeth Hawkins, Senator Dan Eastman

Visitors:

Steve Jury from U'n Utah

Approval of Minutes:

Following a motion by Ramona Rudert, the minutes for January and March were unanimously approved with one typographical correction.

Potential Privatization of Certain Economic Development Sales Functions

Mr. Jury gave his arguments in favor of a potential privatization of certain economic development sales functions. He responded to David Harmer's, the Executive Director of DCED, presentation points with two handouts. One handout was of his response to Mr. Harmer's concerns and the other handout was a sample of specifications for an RFP that could be issued for recruiting. The board thanked Mr. Jury for his input, after which Mr. Jury left the meeting.

Later in the board meeting, following considerable discussion, the board adopted the following opinion articulated in a motion by Senator Ron Allen. The motion stated: "The board cannot find a reason why a privatized pilot project on economic development should not be tested". The letter is to be sent to the Governor, Mr. Harmer and legislative leadership.

Other Business

Mr. Kesler thanked the board for their support during the term that he served as chair. He proposed that the board reorganize with new officers. Mr. Kesler nominated Ramona Rudert to be the new Privatization Policy Board Chair. Bill Barton seconded his motion. All board members unanimously approved that Ms. Rudert would be the new board Chair. Bill Barton nominated Senator Ron Allen to be the Vice Chair and Representative Pace seconded his motion. All board members unanimously approved that Senator Ron Allen would be the new Vice Chair.

May 2004 Meeting

Bill Barton raised the issue whether the board is interested in adopting a position relative to UTOPIA. It was decided to forward discussion on that issue to the May meeting. It was also decided to discuss at the May meeting ways to “advertise” the existence and purpose of the board. One suggestion was to create a press release on the change of board leadership, and on the functioning of the board.