

CRCOG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
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Wednesday, May 10, 2023

12:00 noon

This was a virtual meeting.

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Attendance

Jon Colman
Jim Rupert
Judy Ortiz
John Elsesser
Lori Spielman
Steve Stephanou
James Krupienski
Wendy Mackstutis
Mark Sciota
Steve Jones
Fred Presley
Perter Souza
Shari Cantor

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Staff

Rob Aloise
Cheryl Assis
Matt Hart
Tracy Malenfant
Laura Rosenbluth
Elizabeth Sanderson
Pauline Yoder

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Guests

Andrew Grossman
Veronica Grossman
Chris Smith

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Rome, Smith, Lutz

1. Call to Order

First Selectwoman Lori Spielman called meeting to order at 12:06PM

2. Public Comment

No Public comment was offered.

3. Approval of Minutes from October 12, 2022

Jon Colman made a motion to approve the minutes of March 8, 2023 as presented. Wendy Mackstutis seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Judy Ortiz and James Krupienski abstained,

4. Staff Reports

Matt Hart discussed the upcoming CRCOG's strategic vision project which will identify the critical challenges and opportunities for the next 3 to 5 years. Andrew and Veronica Grossman were introduced during the meeting. It was announced that the staff retreat will take place on May 25, 2023, and the Policy Board retreat will be held at New Britain City Hall on June 12, 2023. Mr. Hart is hoping that many Executive Committee members will be able to participate. Additionally, Mr. Hart reported that CRCOG will hold its Annual Meeting on June 15th at the riverfront boathouse.

5. Legislative Update

Chris Smith covered the Legislative Update for Kathie Lutz. Mr. Smith mentioned the expiration of the Covid emergency on May 11, 2023, and notes that data reports will continue for a short time. The main focus at the legislature is the state budget. Both House Republicans and Senate Republicans are proposing their own budgets. The budget is a complex issue with fiscal guardrails being a big concern. Mr. Smith also provided a summary of the current state of affairs at the legislature.

Fred Presley asked about ECS funding, and Mr. Smith mentioned that HB 5003 is currently up for approval. Judy Ortiz asked for more information about fiscal guardrails. Jon Colman asked for an update on HB 6664, and Mr. Hart mentioned that the controversial fees have been removed from the bill. Mr. Hart also talked about HB 6486, which has bipartisan support and recommended that CRCOG should offer its support for the bill. The Executive Committee concurred via consensus to support the bill.

6. Business Items

a. ACTION: Resolution Authorizing Agreement with Yale New Haven Health Services Corporation

Cheryl Assis requested approval from CRCOG to receive the fourth and final part of grant funding from State of Connecticut Health Care Coalition. Jon Colman made a motion to approve and Judy Ortiz seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

b. Approval of FY 2023-2024 Budget

Matt Hart presented the CRCOG Annual Budget for approval to the executive committee, and Pauline Yoder provided a detailed explanation of specific dedicated funding. The Budget presentation can be found: [HERE](#) Peter Souza asked about increases in staff, funding, and revenue. After discussion, Jon Colman made a motion to approve the proposed budget and Steve Jones seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

7. **Adjournment**

Judy Ortiz made a motion to adjourn at 12:57 pm, seconded by Jon Colman. The motion carried unanimously.

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