

A Video Conference Meeting of the Governance Committee of the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York (“DASNY”) was held among DASNY’s Offices in New York City, 28 Liberty Plaza, New York, New York; 515 Broadway, Albany, New York; and 6047 Transit Road, East Amherst, New York on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Governance Committee Chair Snyder called the meeting to order and a quorum was declared present. The following Board Members and Staff were present:

Committee Members Present

Beryl Snyder, Committee Chair (NYCO)
Alfonso L. Carney, Jr., Committee Member (*Via Zoom*)
Joan M. Sullivan, Committee Member (Albany)

Other Board Members Present

Lisa Gomez, Board Chair (NYCO)
Gerard Romski, Esq., Vice Chair (NYCO)
Wellington Chen, Board Member (NYCO)
Janice McKinnie, Board Member (Buffalo)
Adrian Swierczewski, Designated Representative of the Director of Budget, Board Member (*ex officio*) (Albany)
Ken Evans, Designated Representative of the Commissioner of Health, Board Member (*ex officio*) (Albany)
Christina Coughlin, Designated Representative of the Commissioner of Education, Board Member (*ex officio*)

Staff Members Present

Charlie Williams, Vice President
Stephen Curro, Managing Director of Construction
Kimberly Ellis, Chief Financial Officer
Nadine Fontaine, Esq., General Counsel
Portia Lee, Managing Director, Public Finance and Portfolio Monitoring
Sara Potter Richards, Managing Director, Executive Direction
Matthew Moore, Deputy General Counsel
Ricardo Salaman, Deputy General Counsel
Dena Amodio, Associate General Counsel
Dan Brown, Senior Director, External Relations
Matt Bergin, Director, Public Finance
Geoffrey Arnold, Director, Budget and Operations
Deborah Fasser, Director, Strategic Communications & Business Development
Jenilee Flinton, Director, Internal Audit
Jeffrey Gordon, Director of Communications

Craig Schreivogl, Director, Portfolio Monitoring
David Ostrander, Assistant Director, Public Finance & Portfolio Monitoring
Stephen Kosier, Assistant Director, Public Finance & Portfolio Monitoring
Karen Ehlinger, Manager, Internal Control Analysis
John Savona, Project Executive, Construction and CS Administration
Tamika Dunnaway, Senior Human Resources Specialist
Brittany Stinson, Media & External Relations Officer
Jerry Brouillette, Director, Information Services
Dave Byam, Senior Systems Specialist
Alison Hernandez, Senior Human Resources Specialist
Amanda Nazario, Confidential Legal Assistant
Lori Huelle, Executive Assistant

PUBLIC SESSION

Minutes of the May 9, 2023 Governance Committee Meeting

Ms. Snyder welcomed the Members to the final Governance Committee Meeting of 2023. The minutes of the May 9, 2023 Governance Committee Meeting were approved unanimously.

Governance Committee Charter and Governance Principles – Annual Review

Chair Snyder asked Ms. Richards to explain the items before the Governance Committee for review today. Ms. Richards stated that the Committee is being asked to review the Governance Committee Charter and Governance Principles and recommend approval by the full DASNY Board. She informed the Committee Members that staff has reviewed these documents and is not recommending any changes at this time.

The Members acknowledged their annual review of the Governance Committee Charter and Governance Principles.

Mission Statement and Performance Measures, including Metrics

Ms. Richards stated that Section 2824-a of the Public Authorities Law requires DASNY's Full Board to review and approve the Mission Statement and Performance Measures, including Metrics to Quantify Performance Goals, once per year. She stated that staff is not recommending changes to either document at this time.

Mr. Carney moved to recommend approval of the Mission Statement and Performance Measures, including Metrics to Quantify Performance Goals, by the full Board. Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion, which was then unanimously approved.

Disposition of Real Property Guidelines

Ms. Richards stated that the Governance Committee is required to review the Guidelines pertaining to the Disposition of Certain Property on an annual basis and recommend approval by the full

Board. She reminded the Committee Members that there was a complete re-working of these Guidelines in 2021 and that there are no additional changes recommended at this time.

Upon a motion from Ms. Sullivan and a second by Mr. Carney, the Committee unanimously approved a recommendation of the Guidelines by the full DASNY Board.

Management/Confidential Compensation – Resolution

Vice President Williams informed the Committee Members that the New York State Division of the Budget has implemented a Budget Bulletin authorizing raises for Management and Confidential employees. He noted that there is no budget amendment required and that DASNY has the resources to fund the pay increases.

Geoffrey Arnold, Director of Budget and Operations, directed the attention of the Committee Members to the memo provided with the Board materials for additional details. He stated that the Bulletin is consistent with the pay raises agreed to with DASNY's CSEA Bargaining Unit as well as the State CSEA.

Committee Chair Snyder expressed her thanks to the DASNY staff and indicated her support for the approval of these pay raises.

Upon a motion from Mr. Carney and a second by Ms. Sullivan, the Committee unanimously agreed to recommend full board approval of the Resolution authorizing the implementation of salary actions for staff officers and executive staff classified at the staff officer level.

Mr. Carney moved that the meeting adjourn. Ms. Sullivan seconded the motion and the Governance Committee meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sara P. Richards
Assistant Secretary