

Government Accountability Committee

MINUTES

09-16-2014

MEETING CALLED BY	Senator Diane Snelling and Representative Anne O'Brien
TYPE OF MEETING	Government Accountability Committee
NOTE TAKER	Gabrielle Malina, Committee Assistant
ATTENDEES	Members present: Senators Eldred French, Diane Snelling, and Bobby Starr, and Representatives Debbie Evans, Anne O'Brien, David Sharpe, and Tristan Toleno. Also present: BetsyAnn Wrask, Legal Counsel, Legislative Council; Sue Zeller, Chief Performance Officer, Agency of Administration; Gabrielle Malina, Committee Assistant, Legislative Council

Agenda topics

1. Act 186 Report Followup memo

Time allotted 15 minutes Topic
Presenter(s)

25 minutes **Act 186 Report** Sue Zeller

DISCUSSION	Sue Zeller reviewed the follow up memorandum dated 9/5/14 responding to questions from the previous GAC meeting of August 18. Memorandum dated 9/5/2014 from Sue Zeller to the GAC
CONCLUSIONS	NA

Agenda topics

2. Results Based Accountability Training

[TIME ALLOTTED] [TOPIC] [PRESENTER]
120 minutes Sue Zeller

DISCUSSION	Chief Performance Officer Sue Zeller provided a 2-hour training session, which included a PowerPoint presentation, on the basics of Results-Based Accountability (RBA) for the committee members. For several members, this was an opportunity to brush up on RBA knowledge gained from previous trainings attended. For the remaining members, it was their first exposure to the RBA framework, terminology, techniques and working examples. The session went well and the members asked good questions RBA Training Document
CONCLUSIONS	NA

Agenda topics

3. Population Outcomes and Indicators

Committee Discussion
Review of Department of Health Scorecards

[TIME ALLOTTED] [TOPIC] [PRESENTER]
45 minutes Sue Zeller

DISCUSSION	Chief Performance Officer Sue Zeller reviewed the Department of Health's Scorecards software to illustrate how state agencies need to work with the IT capabilities that we have when they are presenting their data
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**4. Plans for Advancing RBA in the Legislature
Committee Discussion**

[TIME ALLOTTED] [TOPIC]
45 minutes

[PRESENTER]
Sue Zeller

DISCUSSION	Sue Zeller reviewed the follow up memorandum dated 9/5/14 responding to questions from the previous GAC meeting of August 18.		
	Memorandum dated 9/5/2014 from Sue Zeller to the GAC		
CONCLUSIONS	NA		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Rep Anne O'Brien will produce a summary document outlining what has been discussed and what still needs to be done.	Rep. O'Brien		

5. RBA-Type Requirements in Vermont Law

[TIME ALLOTTED] [TOPIC]
30 minutes

[PRESENTER]
BetsyAnn Wrask

DISCUSSION	Legislative Council's BetsyAnn Wrask reviewed for the Committee the document entitled "RBA-Type Requirements in Vermont Law," dated 9/15/14. Wrask explained that the document represented a list of results-based accountability-type requirements she found in Vermont laws; that she used highlighting to attempt to distinguish between true RBA report requirements and mere performance analysis requirements; and that she included notes in the document where she thought language could be amended for a more consistent use of RBA terminology in the law. Upon request of the GAC, Wrask agreed to prepare for the October GAC meeting a draft bill containing proposed amendments to these laws for the purpose of using consistent RBA terminology.		
	RBA-Type Requirements in Vermont Law		
CONCLUSIONS	NA		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Draft legislation for next meeting	BetsyAnn Wrask	10/21/14	

SPECIAL NOTES	Future dates for GAC Meetings; 10/21/14, 12/15/14
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