

URBAN WEATHERIZATION INITIATIVE BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
January 21, 2011

Meeting was called to order at 10:10am by Stephen Konya

Attendees:

DCEO Staff: Stephen Konya, Charlene Raickett, Jim Pllum, Don Falls and Kyle Schulz
Voting Board Members: Deborah Harrington, Percy Harris, Lester McKeever and Melissa Williams
Ex Officio Members: Representative Dave Winters

Apologies:

Kurt Summers, Lester McKeever, Senator Donne Trotter, Representative Ken Dunkin

Public Attendees:

Cheryl Calvin, Vice-Chair Black Wall-Street; Michael Sullivan, Member-Black Wall-Street; Sy Balms, Director of Technology-Chetwyn Rodgers Development Center-Chicago

Review/Approval of Minutes:

A motion was called to approve the November 19, 2010 meeting minutes; motion passed.

**Executive Session/
RFA Review/Discussion:**

At 10:15 a.m., a motion was called to go into Executive Session to review and discuss Home Energy Auditor RFA submissions; the motion passed. Charlene Raickett noted that 16 organizations were invited to submit their RFA for review/approval; of the 16-14 were reviewed and 7 were recommended to the Board for funding (5 Northeast Region organizations; 1 Southwestern Region organization and; 1 Northern Stateline Region organization). Extensive discussion focused on comprehensive curriculum and exhorbent budgets; further concerns centered on cost per participant. It was the consensus of the reviewers that each organization's curriculum and budgets were unique across the board.

A motion was called to approve and award \$300,000 to the following organizations contingent upon revised budgets for a 1 year program; approve \$250,000 to the following organization contingent upon revised scope of work and budget for a 1 year program; and approve \$250,000 each to the following organizations contingent upon revised budgets and scope of work based on a 1 year program; motion carried.

HACIA at \$300K

SWIC at \$300K

LEED Council at \$250K

City of Rockford-Department of Human Services at \$250K

Albany Park Community Center at \$250K

Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters Apprentice and Training Program at \$250K

Opportunity Advancement Innovation (OAI) at \$250K

Furthermore, staff recommended that the organizations be allowed until Wednesday, January 26, 2011 to submit revisions for review and final Board approval.

A follow-up conference call is scheduled for Monday, January 24, 2011 at 2:00pm to discuss and approve final awards.

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**Program Guidelines/
Administrative Rules:**

Jim Pellum provided the Board with an update as to the status of Draft Administrative Rules to submit to JCAR. Mr. Pellum indicated that the rules are being reviewed and moving along the path internally. Mr. Pellum further noted that the adoption of these rules could be delayed due to legislative appointments. The Board will be presented with a copy for review prior to submission.

**Weatherization Specialist RFQ/
Information Session/Resource
Fair Update**

Charlene Raickett provided the Board with an update on the following information sessions/resource fairs held and to be scheduled throughout the state. In addition, Ms. Raickett indicated that these sessions were and are being held in conjunction with the Office of Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Technology (Digital Divide Training Program); State Energy Office (Energy Efficient Affordable Housing Construction Program) and the Office of Employment & Training (Job Training & Economic Development Program)

REGION	LOCATION	DATE	TIME
CENTRAL	Lincoln Land Community College Capital City Center-Lower Level Springfield, IL. 62706	Wednesday, January 12, 2011	9:00am-11:00am
NORTH CENTRAL	Workforce Network Peoria, Illinois 61602	Thursday, January 13, 2011	8:30am-11:30am
NORTHEAST	Moraine Valley Community College Moraine Room #2 Palos Hills, Illinois 60465	Wednesday, January 19, 2011	9:00am-11:00am
NORTHERN STATELINE	State of Illinois Zeke Giorgi Building Rockford, Illinois 61101	Monday, January 24, 2011	9:00am-11:00am
NORTHEAST	James R. Thompson Center Chicago, Illinois 60601	Wednesday, January 26, 2011	9:00am-11:00am
SOUTHWEST	Illinois Dept of Transportation Collinsville, Illinois 62234	Friday, January 28, 2011	9:00am-11:00am

Melissa Williams expressed an interest in inviting fiscal agents such as Good City to upcoming resource to collaborate with non-profit organizations that may be in need of their services.

Next Board Meeting:

Friday, **February 18, 2011** 10am-12pm at JRTC/DCEO
Friday, **March 18, 2011** 10am-12pm at JRTC/DCEO

Future board meeting dates will be based on the Board's progress through the March 2011 meeting.

Public Comments:

Stephen Konya opened the floor for public comments and concerns specific to the Office of Urban Assistance and the Urban Weatherization Program.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon by Stephen Konya

*Respectfully Submitted,
Charlene Raickett
Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity*