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OHIO OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 01, 2004 MEETING

President, Lisa Dodge, called the Controlling Board meeting to order at 1:40 p.m. Serving on the Controlling Board were Senator Bill Harris, Representative Charles Calvert, Senator John Carey, Representative Larry Flowers, Senator Tom Roberts and Representative Sylvester Patton.

The minutes of the October 18, 2004, meeting were distributed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Senator Harris, seconded by Representative Calvert and approved by the Board members.

Attached is the November 01, 2004, meeting agenda. President Dodge said Item 4, NEM049-05 has been deferred. A motion for blanket approval of all items not held for questions was made by Representative Calvert and seconded by Senator Harris and approved by all Board members.

The following Items were discussed and acted upon as stated.

Item 1, BDP005-05 was held by Senator Roberts. Senator Roberts asked why the switch to another bank at this time. Kevin Talty, Director of Operations, Board of Deposit said the Board currently has a contract with National City Bank for wholesale lockbox, data capture/entry, data transmission/upload, and courier services for fiscal year 2005. However, National City Bank has not been able to provide the flexibility and specific services that are needed since their lockbox operation moved to Cleveland, Ohio. Bank one, can provide the flexibility and specific services that are required at a competitive price. Senator Roberts asked what the lock box is used for. Christopher Carlson, Deputy Director, Department of Job and Family Services said the lock box is used to process different kinds of checks that are received in the Department of Job and Family Services. It does not include the child support payment. Senator Roberts questioned the decision to use Bank One. Mr. Talty said Job and Family Services called and asked if they could facilitate some meetings with financial institutions who had lock box and operation processing here in Columbus. Staff members from Board of Deposit and Job and Family Services made site visits to the two financial institutions in Columbus providing that service, Huntington Bank and Bank One. Job and Family Services made the actual selection for these specific services. The item was approved without objection.

Item 3, MUN076-05 was held by Senator Harris and Representative Calvert. Senator Harris asked whether the university has done anything to receive compensation since Allied Environmental Services Inc. is in breach of contract. Robert Keller, University Architect, Miami University said at this point they have not paid them any monies above what their bid was in the Phase I portion of the contract. The contested amount of money they are pursuing is currently in the Court of Claims. Representative Calvert asked if there was a penalty clause in the original contract with Allied Environmental for not meeting the schedule. Mr. Keller said he was not sure but would go back and look at the original documents and would provide that information. Ms. Dodge said it would be helpful if the Board could get some additional information from the university and perhaps look at revisiting this request at the next meeting. The item was deferred without objection.

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Item 8, SSC043-05 was held by Senator Harris. Senator Harris asked why 45% of the work would be done by subcontractors. Butch Kotcamp, Director of Facilities, Shawnee State University said this project is heavy on the mechanical side. The university will be changing out the fire alarm system as they have specialty Dental Lab and Nurse Lab equipment. The bulk of the subcontractors will be the mechanicals that support the X ray portion of this project as well as some asbestos evaluation. Senator Harris asked whether the subcontractor is certified to do the asbestos work. Mr. Kotcamp said the university feels comfortable that the subcontractor can provide the services. The item was approved without objection.

Item 20, JFS098-05 was held by Senator Carey and Representative Patton. Senator Carey asked why the request is retroactive. Christopher Carlson, Deputy Director, Department of Job and Family Services said Bowe, Bell & Howell had fallen off the State Term Schedule (STS) in fiscal year 2003. Also, when the department received the quote from Bowe, Bell & Howell, the Operations Division discovered that the Bowe, Bell & Howell quote included several pieces of equipment that had already been sent to state salvage as well as two pieces of equipment that were needed only for the first two months of this fiscal year. It was towards the end of last fiscal year when all of this was discovered. The original quote had been submitted for \$581,000.00 so instead of rushing the request, the department decided to work with Bowe, Bell & Howell on the new quote (\$383,735.27) to save money. Senator Carey inquired about the 40% increase in the contract. Mr. Carlson said the department felt it was a better practice since they were already taking the majority of the work to the Controlling Board that they not try to piecemeal this thing and have part off the State Term Schedule and part off Controlling Board approval so they decided to bundle it. This is really just picking up those pieces that had been separately done off of State Term Schedule last year. It is for no more money, it is actually for less money than the department spent last fiscal year due to the retirement of some of the machines. Representative Patton asked whether there is a difference in the cost to service Bowe, Bell & Howell equipment and equipment that is not Bowe, Bell & Howell. Mr. Carlson said there are no differences in the cost of the service. The Bowe, Bell & Howell technicians are used to servicing this entire set of equipment including those auxiliary pieces. The item was approved without objection.

Item 25, DMH457-05 was held by Representative Flowers. Representative Flowers asked if there are any funds to recoup from the original vendor. Steve Gray, Manager, Fiscal Services, Department of Mental Health said under the State Term Contract the original vendor failed to live up to the terms of the contract and could not provide the services at the low bid price. The item was approved without objection.

Item 32, DHS708-05 was held by Representative Calvert, Senator Harris, Senator Roberts and Representative Patton. Representative Calvert asked where the Department of Transportation (ODOT) is getting the funding to address increasing traffic safety issues on Ohio roadways that parallel the Ohio Turnpike in northern Ohio. Captain Dave Dicken, Department of Public Safety said federal money will be subsidizing this initiative. This particular line item with ODOT is a federal line item, 772-442, Highway Construction Federal. These are construction funds but has a SAC in it for enforcement purposes. Senator Harris inquired about the number of fatal crashes along the corridor routes of the Ohio Turnpike. Captain Dicken said the incidents of crashes in terms of fatal crashes averages about four per week in this corridor along the Ohio Turnpike. Senator Harris questioned the use of a small aircraft. Captain Dicken said in terms of time, the department is willing to commit 1,000 hours of overtime per

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week that will be the equivalent of 25 additional troopers. Also, they are going to concentrate on some truck violations such as the overweight and the unsafe tractor-trailer rigs. The use of the aircraft is just another tool in the arsenal. They will be able to patrol sections of the Ohio Turnpike more frequently and will be able to patrol those tough to reach areas along this corridor. Senator Roberts inquired about the Turnpike increasing the commercial speed limit from 55 MPH to 65 MPH. Captain Dicken said the Ohio Turnpike Commission, another partner in this initiative, agreed to increase overtime on the Ohio Turnpike to the troopers that are assigned to those turnpike posts. Currently there are 71 state troopers assigned to the 241 miles on the turnpike and they have increased their overtime to 8 hours per month for the sole purpose of monitoring the speed and the crash causing violations that go along with it. Representative Patton questioned whether the overtime initiative is a one-time deal. Captain Dicken said the department's ultimate goal is to make these routes in northeastern and northwestern Ohio safer. We will do what we can with our resources and as long as it takes to change those behaviors. Representative Calvert asked how the department would fund this initiative next fiscal year. Captain Dicken said ODOT said they could have the federal funding for upwards of three years. Hopefully by that time there will be other strategies in place even possibly to make these 25 positions permanent. We do know that there needs to be a longer-term solution. The item was approved with Representative Calvert objecting.

Item 35, DOT292-05 was held by Senator Carey. Senator Carey asked if the Board will see further modifications if they approve this request. Lyle Flower, Department of Transportation said the department strongly feels that this will be the last modification. They found with this project and a number of others that they were solving problems such as local access issues, county road alignments, and other minor engineering issues during the final design process which is evidenced by the five or six modifications. As a result, beginning this month, they are implementing an entirely new process development phase that puts the preliminary engineering back at the environmental document stage. Senator Carey asked what the current status of this project is. Mr. Flower said it is under construction now and the completion date is scheduled for September 11, 2006. The item was approved without objection.

With no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Francene Johnson
Controlling Board Executive Secretary

11/01/04 Minutes approved by the Board: