

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE FINANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Held in the Old Judiciary Room at the State Capitol on February 5, 2009.

PRESENT: Lieutenant Governor Michael Fedele
Mark Ojakian, Deputy State Comptroller
Senator Toni Harp
Representative Joan Lewis
Representative John Geragosian
Representative Craig Miner
Senator Dan Debicella
Michael Cicchetti, Deputy Secretary and Clerk,
Office of Policy & Management
John Bacewicz, Executive Budget Officer,
Office of Policy & Management, Budget and Financial Management Division

ABSENT: Governor M. Jodi Rell
Denise Nappier, State Treasurer

Lieutenant Governor Fedele called the meeting to order at 1:05 P.M.

1. It was voted to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 15, 2009.
2. The following new transactions were approved by the Committee:

FAC 2009-7 – State Elections Enforcement Commission – A transfer of \$9,000 from Other Expenses to Commission's Per Diems due to an increase in the number of Commission Meetings.

This item was unanimously approved by the Committee.

FAC 2009-8 – Department of Transportation – A total transfer of \$7,333,000 from various accounts to Other Expenses due to expenditures incurred for snow and ice removal, rising costs for an aging fleet and increased prices in electricity.

Senator Harp asked will there be enough money for snow and ice removal? Deputy Commissioner Boice responded that it is difficult to predict at this time. Representative Lewis asked why is SE Tourism Transit System funding available. Deputy Secretary Cicchetti responded that \$3 million is appropriated each year of the current biennium to contract for a bus service provider (bus service to the casinos). Funding last year was not used for that purpose nor will it be used this year. Representative Miner asked why are funds available in Personal Services? Deputy Secretary Cicchetti said they were savings from the hiring freeze.

This item was unanimously approved by the Committee.

FAC 2009-9 – Commission on Child Protection – A total transfer of \$100,000 from Contracted Attorneys to Personal Services and Attorney Related Expenses to meet expenditures.

This item was unanimously approved by the Committee.

3. The meeting was then adjourned at 1:12 P.M.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert L. Genuario", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Robert L. Genuario
Clerk