

SRS Citizen's Advisory Board

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Executive Committee

Embassy Suites, N. Charleston, SC November 17, 2003

The SRS Citizens Advisory Board (CAB) Executive Committee met on Monday, November 17, 2003 at 5 p.m. at the Embassy Suites, N. Charleston, S.C. The purposes of the meeting were to discuss CAB Administration and the 2004 workplan.

Attendance was as follows:

CAB Members	Stakeholders	DOE/Contractors
Wade Waters	Bob Meisenheimer	Alice Doswell, DOE
Jean Sulc		Becky Craft, DOE
Mel Galin		Teresa Haas, WSRC
Gerald Devitt		Lyddie Broussard, WSRC
Perry Holcomb		Dawn Haygood, WSRC
Bill Willoughby		Mike Schoener, CAB
Lola Richardson		

CAB Administration

Wade Waters noted that a decision has been made by Assistant Secretary Jessie Roberson that the SRS CAB would not operate under an 8-A firm. This decision was funneled into the new overall guidance for CABs that only offers two CAB administration options in FY05incorporate into a 501-C or full federal administration. Mr. Waters explained how the Rocky Flats Board had encountered problems as a 501-C. It was agreed that this is not a viable option for the SRS CAB due to liability issues.

Administrative Committee

Wade Waters noted that there were not enough female candidates available for the selection process this year and therefore, some males are opposing females, which does not allow the committee to ensure bylaws compliance. He encouraged the CAB to focus on this issue next year in seeking female applicants. He also announced that CAB Member Ann Dalton has withdrawn and therefore Karen Patterson is filling one of the vacant positions in 2004.

2004 Workplan

Mike Schoener noted the need to begin drafting the 2004 workplan. It was agreed that DOE would provide a presentation on issues for consideration during a special session in January to develop the workplan.

Other Issues

Wade Waters announced that Jim Sanders had suggested Keith A Maruya to replace him as the

Georgia Ex-Officio Representative on the SRS CAB. Mr. Waters read Mr. Maruya's resume and all agreed that Mr. Sanders should seek the governor's appointment of Mr. Maruya, which will be submitted to Alice Doswell of DOE.

Mel Galin recommended that Recommendation 157 regarding presentations to the SRS CAB be closed. All were in agreement.

Perry Holcomb asked how the SRS CAB planned to move forward with the new guidance, stating the Board would be terribly remiss to accept what had been submitted. It was noted that there would be no changes in administration in FY04. Gerald Devitt suggested the Executive Committee recommend the Board charge two individuals with making this issue a priority. Perry Holcomb stated the two cons from Option 5 were the main reason DOE should not change administration. He asked if it was worth it to DOE to get financial transparency if the public perceives that the Board is not independent of DOE influence or if the Board perceives that the DOE federal staff support will not be as dedicated in providing extensive support, and/or be as timely as the M&O/prime contractor support. Mr. Holcomb stated that he does not think DOE should be telling them how to run the CAB or even appear that they have authority over the CAB, or credibility will be lost.

Mr. Holcomb asked how DOE is keeping up with the \$400 million being given to Russia for MOX? He stated there is something behind this that the Board is unaware of.

Board members agreed they should send back a counter proposal before April. Wade Waters said he has maintained that two issues need to be resolved- the people who support the Board and independence.

Alice Doswell was asked to explain Cleanup Credits and there was brief discussion regarding the resignation of Lewis Shaw from the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control.

The Committee adjourned at 6 p.m.