

Illinois Budgeting for Results Commission Bi-Monthly Meeting Minutes for December 1, 2023

Welcome and Introductions

Co-Chairman Rep. William "Will" Davis called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm. Attendees gathered at the following locations:

- Room 500 ½ Stratton Bldg., 401 South Spring Street, Springfield, Illinois 62704
- Room 555, 4S. 555 W. Monroe St. Chicago, Illinois 60661

Roll Call

Co-Chairman Davis called the roll, and a quorum was established. The Commissioners recorded as present were:

- Present: Will Davis, Pat Nolan, Curt Clemons-Mosby
- Voting by Proxy: Commissioner Pete Duncan (Will Davis), Sen. Loughran-Cappel (Will Davis), Commissioner Brittany Maruna (Curt Clemons-Mosby)

Review and Approval of Prior Bi-Monthly Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Nolan moved to approve the October 27, 2023, BFR Commission meeting minutes. Commissioner Clemons-Mosby seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Review and Vote on Draft 2024 Commission Meeting Schedule

Commissioner Nolan moved to approve the 2024 BFR Commission meeting schedule. Commissioner Clemons-Mosby seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Co-Chairman Davis noted that at the next BFR Commission meeting on February 23, 2024, the Commission may consider a motion to approve one of the two proposed dates for the public hearing in 2024. The proposed public hearing dates, of which the Commissioners will choose one date from, are July 24, 2024, and July 31, 2024.

See Attachment 1 for the 2024 BFR Commission meeting schedule.

BFR Unit Draft Work Plan for 2024

Curt Clemons-Mosby provided a brief overview of the BFR Unit's 2024 work plan. In particular, Curt brought the following items to the commissioners' attention:

- Legislative Mandate Review The June and July timeframe is the usual period when the BFR Unit conducts its annual legislative mandate review. This time is noted so that any commissioners who would like to participate have advance notice and may do so; and
- BFR Annual Report The September and October timeframe is the routine period when the BFR Unit drafts the annual report for the BFR Commission.

See Attachment 2 for the 2024 BFR Unit work plan.

Curt Clemons-Mosby asked the commissioners to provide a list of general meeting topics they would be interested in for the upcoming 2024 year. Commissioner Nolan recommended the BFR Unit put together a survey with a list of suggested general topics and distribute that to the commissioners and to the Chief Results Officers. At the next BFR Commission meeting on February 23, 2024, the BFR Unit will provide the survey results. The commissioners may then consider which topics they would like to address in an upcoming meeting.

Update on BFR in the FY25 Budget Process

Curt Clemons-Mosby updated the commissioners on the status of the BFR Unit's work in support of the FY25 budget. The state agencies' Illinois Performance Reporting System, budget-level program inventories have mostly been finalized. These are the budget programs the agencies will be operating in fiscal year 2025. The Unit is now working with the agencies to collect performance data for each measure associated with a budget program. Following protocol, 3 fiscal years of historic performance data is required - FY21 – FY23, estimated data for the current fiscal year (FY24), and projected data for the upcoming fiscal year (FY25). The Unit is also responsible for drafting the Demographics chapter and contributing to the Accountability and Results chapter of the annual budget book.

Update on Mandate Relief Work

Curt Clemons-Mosby discussed the BFR Unit's efforts regarding the upcoming legislative mandate relief the team has been doing with state agencies. The annual BFR Mandate Relief process reduces or eliminates unduly, or burdensome mandates, those that have been fulfilled, and those no longer relevant as determined by the respective state agencies. The Unit will be circulating a draft of the mandate reduction bill to legislative appropriation directors soon to allow for a final review and sign-off prior to submitting the bill draft to LRB.

Report on Public Defender's Formula Process

Curt Clemons-Mosby briefed the commissioners on an initiative of the Advisory Office of the Illinois Courts (AOIC) and the Illinois Sentencing Policy Advisory Council. Kathy Saltmarsh, former Co-Chair of the BFR Commission, is the executive director of the Illinois Sentencing Policy Advisory Council. Kathy submitted a statement to be read by Curt to the BFR Commission. In summary:

One of the provisions of the SAFE-T Act was that a public defender be appointed to defendants prior to trial and at every stage of the process. The Illinois legislature recognized the significant burden this would place on public defenders, particularly in

jurisdictions with only one public defender. To help alleviate this burden, the legislature created the Illinois public defender fund within the AOIC and appropriated \$10 million to the fund.

However, the legislature provided little guidance on how the funds would be divided among jurisdictions, other than specifically excluding Cook County. The AOIC set a goal of fair and equitable distribution of the funds, prioritizing those counties most in need. The BFR Unit was asked to help develop the distribution formula . Using variables such as poverty level and case load, several scenarios were developed ensuring every county received a base distribution with the remainder of the funds allocated according to the approved formula. The Supreme Court of Illinois approved the distribution allocation: \$50,000 for each county in Illinois with the remaining funds distributed via the formula.

Ethics Training

Curt Clemons-Mosby stated all BFR Commissioners have completed their required ethics training. Davina Hughes, Deputy General Counsel, also commented that GOMB's General Counsel's Office will continue to provide advance notice of any upcoming ethics trainings required of the commissioners.

Public Comment

Co-Chairman Davis acknowledged that BFR meetings are open to the public and state agencies and asked if there were any questions or comments from the public. No questions or comments were received.

New Business

Co-Chairman Davis asked if the Commissioners have any new business. No new business items were raised.

Adjournment

Co-Chairman Davis moved for adjournment. Commissioner Curt Clemons-Mosby seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 pm.

Next Bi-Monthly Business Meeting

The next business meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 23, 2024, at 1:30 PM.