

1 ILLINOIS FINANCE AUTHORITY

2 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MEMBERS

3 May 14, 2019, at 9:33 a.m.

4 REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS had at the Regular
5 Meeting of the Illinois Finance Authority on May 14,
6 2019, at the hour of 9:30 a.m., pursuant to notice,
7 at 160 North LaSalle Street, Suite S-1000, Chicago,
8 Illinois.

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1 APPEARANCES:

2 CHAIRMAN ERIC ANDERBERG

MR. MIKE GOETZ

3 MS. ARLENE A. JURACEK

MR. LERRY KNOX

4 MR. E. LYLE McCOY

MR. GEORGE OBERNAGEL

5 MR. ROGER POOLE

MS. BETH SMOOTS

6 MR. JEFFREY WRIGHT

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1 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Good morning. I would
2 like to call the meeting to order.

3 Will the Assistant Secretary please
4 call the roll?

5 FLETCHER: Certainly. The time 9:33. I'll
6 call the roll of Members physically present first.

7 Mr. Goetz?

8 GOETZ: Here.

9 FLETCHER: Ms. Juracek?

10 JURACEK: Here.

11 FLETCHER: Mr. Knox?

12 KNOX: Here.

13 FLETCHER: Mr. McCoy?

14 MCCOY: Here.

15 FLETCHER: Mr. Obernagel?

16 OBERNAGEL: Here.

17 FLETCHER: Mr. Poole?

18 POOLE: Here.

19 FLETCHER: Ms. Smoots?

20 SMOOTS: Here.

21 FLETCHER: Mr. Wright?

22 WRIGHT: Here.

23 FLETCHER: Mr. Chairman?

24 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Here.

1 FLETCHER: Mr. Chairman, a quorum of Members
2 physically present in the room has been constituted.

3 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you.

4 Does anyone wish to make any
5 additions, edits, or corrections to today's Agenda?

6 (No response.)

7 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Hearing none, I would like
8 to request a motion to approve the Agenda.

9 Is there such a motion?

10 GOETZ: So moved.

11 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: A motion by Mr. Goetz.

12 A second?

13 OBERNAGEL: Second.

14 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Second by Mr. Obernagel.

15 All those in favor?

16 (Chorus of ayes.)

17 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Opposed?

18 (No response.)

19 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: The ayes have it.

20 Is there any public comment for the
21 Members today?

22 (No response.)

23 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Okay. Remarks: I will run
24 the meeting fast this morning so everybody can get

1 outside and enjoy the weather.

2 Mr. Meister?

3 MEISTER: Oh. Thank you, Mr. Chairman, Members
4 of the Authority. We have a very ambitious
5 organizational agenda. We also have a number of
6 really great projects that you will hear about.

7 But I do want to take a message -- or
8 a moment -- and it's highlighted in the Message from
9 the Executive Director. We have the three members of
10 our team who have been key contributors to the
11 success of the Transformation Initiative of which the
12 outgrowth of the -- the outgrowth of a lot of the
13 organizational piece that you're about to hear and
14 vote on today addresses.

15 Kathy Lydon joined the Authority with
16 a long tenure in federal government during some of
17 the darkest days of the Authority in November and
18 December 2017 when the U.S. House of Representatives
19 was moving to eliminate conduit tax-exempt finance,
20 which is our core business and our primary tool at
21 the moment. So she has been an extraordinary
22 contributor not only helping myself and Chairman
23 Anderberg and the rest of the Board navigate those
24 challenges but also to help us with certain media

1 inquires, which by and large were successfully
2 resolved, and then helping put in place the
3 foundations of the Transformation Initiative.

4 Similarly, Tom Morsch has long been
5 associated with the Authority. I think he was the
6 youngest executive director of the Illinois Tollway,
7 went on to a career as a financial advisor, and
8 became an expert in public-private partnerships.
9 Tom -- Tom's business is taking him in a different
10 direction, but, similarly, he was essential to
11 helping us.

12 And, then, a couple of the big
13 successes of the Authority; number one, he worked
14 very closely with Lisa Bonnett on the Clean Water
15 Initiative and the State Revolving Fund, of which
16 you'll hear about that success from Lisa later on in
17 the meeting. And he also played a key role in the
18 Illinois Tollway's Elgin-O'Hare Western
19 Access/Western Bypass report that set the stage for a
20 lot of the capital investments going on currently on
21 the Illinois Tollway in the incorporation of the
22 Elgin-O'Hare into the Illinois Tollway system.

23 And Sarah Mankowski, who has been with
24 us on Talent Retention, Development, and Acquisition,

1 has also played a key role. Like Kathy and Tom,
2 Sarah's career is taking her in another direction,
3 but you'll be hearing from her and Jacob Stuckey
4 later on -- later on in the meeting.

5 So I'd like to thank all three of them
6 for their service to the Authority and to the People
7 of Illinois. And, at the same time, as you'll hear,
8 it gives me a lot of pleasure to give opportunity for
9 newer key members of the team: Deputy Executive
10 Director Jacob Stuckey; Vice President for Healthcare
11 and Senior Living Sara Perugini; Charles Myart, Vice
12 President of Loan and Guarantee.

13 So you'll be hearing a wider array of
14 voices, and that reflects well on the strength and
15 the depth of the Authority.

16 So, thank you, Mr. Chairman.

17 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you, Chris.

18 Committee Reports. Member McCoy?

19 McCOY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

20 The Tax-Exempt Conduit Transaction
21 Committee met earlier this morning and voted
22 unanimously to recommend for approval the following
23 New Business Items on today's agenda: Three Beginning
24 Farmer Bonds; Midwestern University Foundation;

1 Community High School District No. 99, DuPage County;
2 Community Unit School District No. 95, Lake County;
3 and a resolution for De La Salle Institute.

4 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Okay. Thank you.

5 Member Smoots?

6 SMOOTS: The Governance, Personnel, Legislation
7 and Ethics Committee met yesterday and voted
8 unanimously to recommend for approval the following
9 New Business item on today's agenda, a resolution
10 updating certain committees of the Illinois Finance
11 Authority. The Committee also heard status updates
12 relating to Talent Retention, Development and
13 Acquisition; Procurement; Succession; and Ethics.

14 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Mr. Goetz?

15 GOETZ: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

16 The Audit, Budget, Finance, Investment
17 and Procurement Committee met earlier this morning
18 and voted unanimously to recommend for approval the
19 following New Business item on today's agenda, a
20 resolution updating the Authority's Bond Handbook.
21 The Committee also heard a status update relating to
22 Illinois Finance Authority Internal and External
23 Audits.

24 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you.

1 Okay. I'd like to ask for the general
2 consent of the Members to consider New Business Items
3 1A, 1B, 1C, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 collectively and
4 have the subsequent recorded vote applied to each
5 respective, individual item, unless there are any
6 other New Business items that a Member would like to
7 consider separately.

8 (No response.)

9 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you.

10 PERUGINI: Good morning.

11 At this time I would like to note
12 that, for each Conduit New Business item presented on
13 today's agenda, including Items 1A, 1B, 1C, 2, 3, 4,
14 5, and 6, the Members are considering approval only
15 of the Resolution and the not-to-exceed amount
16 contained therein.

17 Item 1A: Jonathan Edward Barth.

18 Item 1A is a one-time Final Bond
19 Resolution requesting approval for a Beginning Farmer
20 Bond for Jonathan Edward Barth, who is purchasing 80
21 acres of farmland located in Livingston County, in
22 the not-to-exceed amount of \$543,800. State Bank of
23 Graymont is the purchasing bank for this Conduit
24 transaction.

1 Does any Member have any questions or
2 comments?

3 (No response.)

4 PERUGINI: Item 1B: Chad M. Steidinger.

5 Item 1B is a one-time Final Bond
6 Resolution requesting approval for a Beginning Farmer
7 Bond for Chad M. Steidinger, who is purchasing 25
8 acres of farmland located in Ford County, in the
9 not-to-exceed amount of \$147,500. Bank of Pontiac is
10 the purchasing bank for this Conduit transaction.

11 Does any Member have any questions or
12 comments?

13 (No response.)

14 PERUGINI: Item 1C: Adam R. and Shelby A.
15 Robertson.

16 Item 1C is a one-time Final Bond
17 Resolution requesting approval for a Beginning Farmer
18 Bond for Adam R. and Shelby A. Robertson, who are
19 purchasing 60 acres of farmland located in Effingham
20 County, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$111,000.
21 First Mid Bank & Trust is the purchasing bank for
22 this Conduit transaction.

23 Does any Member have any questions or
24 comments?

1 (No response.)

2 PERUGINI: Item 2: Midwestern University

3 Foundation.

4 Item 2 is a Conduit Qualified Student
5 Loan Revenue Bonds request. Staff requests approval
6 of a one-time Final Bond Resolution for Midwestern
7 University Foundation in an amount not to exceed \$20
8 million.

9 Bond proceeds will be used to finance
10 private education loans to be made by the Foundation
11 to graduate and professional students of Midwestern
12 University who attend the University's Illinois
13 Campus located in Downers Grove. Bond proceeds may
14 also be used to finance a portion of the interest on
15 the Bonds and/or a debt service reserve fund, as
16 authorized by the Bond Resolution.

17 The Bonds will be publically sold in
18 one or more fixed-rate series by RBC Capital Markets
19 LLC. The Bonds will be secured by a pledge of 100
20 percent of the student loans funded from Bond
21 proceeds, including both the Series 2015 Bonds and
22 new Series 2019 Bonds, and prior Foundation
23 contributions of cash or prior originated pledged
24 loans, all of which will comprise assets of the

1 Foundation's current Student Loan Program, which the
2 Foundation began in 2014.

3 The transaction structure is expected
4 to include both Senior 2019A Bonds and Subordinate
5 2019B Bonds. The Foundation expects to be assigned
6 ratings from S&P Global Ratings of AAA, structured
7 finance, for the Senior Bonds and A, structured
8 finance, for the Subordinate Bonds. These ratings,
9 or a higher rating for the Subordinate Bonds, are a
10 condition precedent to issuing the IFA Series 2019
11 Bonds.

12 Because the underlying users of the
13 Bond proceeds, the students, are private taxpayers,
14 issuance of the Series 2019 Bonds will require an
15 allocation of up to \$20 million of Illinois Volume
16 Cap, which the Authority has already designated for
17 Student Loan Revenue Bonds with the Internal Revenue
18 Service.

19 The Series 2019 Bonds are being issued
20 pursuant to both the Higher Education Loan Act and
21 the Illinois Finance Authority Act, each as currently
22 amended.

23 FRAMPTON: Thank you, Sara.

24 It's my pleasure to introduce Mr. Greg

1 Gaus, who is senior vice president and chief
2 financial officer of Midwestern University Foundation
3 and Midwestern University.

4 Mr. Gaus?

5 MR. GREG GAUS: Good morning. Greg Gaus from
6 Midwestern. Thank you very much for your
7 consideration on this important transaction.

8 We've been very successful with the
9 first go-around back 2014, 2015. We had about \$5
10 million more of orders from the students than we had
11 proceeds. That was a good thing. And we're able to
12 issue these loans to the students at about 100 basis
13 points, 1 percent less than what they can borrow in
14 the federal Grant Plus Program as well as zero fees
15 versus 4 percent, and the repayment terms are very
16 comparable to what they would have in the federal
17 programs.

18 So it's been very well received; saves
19 the students a lot of money. And our goal is to take
20 the net proceeds at the end of day, when the bonds
21 are paid off, and throw them back in need-based
22 scholarships for the students. So it's kind of a
23 win-win.

24 And we appreciate your support and

1 would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

2 PERUGINI: Does any Member have any questions
3 or comments?

4 (No response.)

5 PERUGINI: Thank you.

6 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you.

7 PERUGINI: Thanks, Rich.

8 Now, Item No. 3, Community High School
9 District No. 99, DuPage County.

10 Item 3 is a Local Government Revenue
11 Bond request. Staff requests approval of a one-time
12 Final Bond Resolution for Community High School
13 District No. 99, DuPage County, located in Downers
14 Grove, in an amount not to exceed \$60 million.

15 Bond proceeds will be used to purchase
16 General Obligation School Bonds issued by the
17 District in order to pay certain costs of altering,
18 repairing, and equipping existing buildings and
19 constructing and equipping outdoor facilities and
20 enclosed structures, including by constructing
21 security improvements, increasing accessibility under
22 the Americans with Disabilities Act, renovating
23 classrooms and labs, installing air conditioning in
24 all classrooms, and enclosing all or a part of

1 outdoor courtyards to increase indoor learning
2 spaces.

3 This transaction will finance a
4 portion of the District's \$136.6 million Master
5 Facility Plan.

6 The Series 2019 Bonds are expected to
7 bear interest at a fixed interest rate and will be
8 publicly offered by Raymond James & Associates based
9 on the District's long-term debt rating of AA by S&P.
10 The District expects that S&P will affirm its AA
11 rating and assign the same rating to the Series 2019
12 Bonds.

13 Does any Member have any questions or
14 comments?

15 (No response.)

16 PERUGINI: Item 4: Community Unit School
17 District No. 95, Lake County.

18 Item 4 is a Local Government Revenue
19 Bond request. Staff requests approval of a one-time
20 Final Bond Resolution for Community Unit School
21 District No. 95, Lake County, located in Lake
22 Zurich, in an amount not to exceed \$40 million.
23 Bond proceeds will be used to purchase General
24 Obligation School Bonds issued by the District in

1 order to pay certain costs of improving sites;
2 altering and repairing and equipping existing
3 certain school buildings; building and equipping a
4 school building to replace the May Whitney
5 Elementary School building; and building and
6 equipping a library and an above-ground cafeteria as
7 an addition to the Seth Paine Elementary School
8 building.

9 This transaction will finance a
10 portion of the District's \$77.6 million facility
11 improvement projects.

12 The Series 2019 Bonds are expected to
13 bear a fixed interest rate and will be publicly
14 offered by Raymond James & Associates based on the
15 District's long-term debt rating of AAA by S&P. S&P
16 affirmed its AAA rating yesterday.

17 Does any Member have any questions or
18 comments?

19 (No response.)

20 PERUGINI: Item No. 5: 11 Million Acres, LLC.

21 Item 5 is a Property Assessed Clean
22 Energy, or PACE, Bond Resolution authorizing the
23 issuance from time to time of one or more series
24 and/or subseries of PACE Bonds to be purchased by 11

1 Million Acres, LLC, in an aggregate amount not to
2 exceed \$100 million for a period of 3 years.

3 This PACE Bond Resolution approves the
4 substantially final form of Master Indenture and
5 related form of Issuance Certificate by which 11
6 Million Acres, LLC, as the bond purchaser, may obtain
7 any of the Authority's PACE Bonds subject to the
8 stated interest rate and maturity limitations and
9 further delegates to Authorized Officers, as defined
10 therein, the capacity to execute and deliver such
11 Issuance Certificates for qualifying projects
12 hereafter. Proceeds of each Issuance Certificate
13 will be loaned to record owners of commercial
14 properties to fund energy efficiency, renewable
15 energy, and water conservation projects located
16 throughout the state.

17 This is the second PACE Bond
18 Resolution to be considered by the Authority.
19 The first was adopted in February of this year.

20 Does any Member have any questions or
21 comments?

22 (No response.)

23 PERUGINI: Item 6: Resolution relating to
24 De La Salle Institute Series 2019 Bonds.

1 Item 6 is an Educational Facility
2 Revenue Bond request. Staff requests approval of a
3 one-time Final Bond Resolution for De La Salle
4 Institute in an amount not to exceed \$10 million.

5 Proceeds of the Series 2019 Bond will
6 be used to refund the Series 2012 Bond previously
7 issued by the Authority on behalf of De La Salle
8 Institute, which was purchased by Wintrust Bank, and
9 to potentially pay costs of issuance of the Series
10 2019 Bond. The Huntington Public Capital
11 Corporation, an affiliate of Huntington National
12 Bank, will purchase the Series 2019 Bond bearing a
13 variable rate of interest for an initial term of 7
14 years. Additionally, this transaction will
15 facilitate a modification of the final maturity date
16 to June 1st, 2044.

17 Does any Member have any questions or
18 comments?

19 (No response.)

20 PERUGINI: Item 7: Resolution Approving Updates
21 to the Bond Handbook.

22 Item 7 is a resolution approving
23 certain updates to the Authority's Bond Handbook to
24 clarify the Authority's responsibilities with

1 respect to federally tax-exempt conduit bonds in
2 light of the conduit nature of such bonds, the
3 federal nature of the benefit such bonds confer, and
4 the federal nature of the regulatory framework
5 pertaining to such bonds.

6 These updates clarify the
7 Authority's role in federally tax-exempt conduit
8 bond transactions and eliminate legacy reporting
9 requirements that are no longer needed. We expect
10 that these changes will help to address certain past
11 audit findings relating to bond compliance.

12 Does any Member have any questions or
13 comments?

14 (No response.)

15 PERUGINI: Item 8: Resolution Updating
16 Committee Designation and/or Scope.

17 Item 8 is a resolution approving
18 certain updates to the Authority's advisory
19 committee organization plan to reflect changes in
20 practice and to streamline operations.

21 Importantly, this resolution changes
22 the name of the Tax-Exempt Conduit Transactions
23 Committee to the Conduit Financing Committee and
24 broadens the scope of that Committee to recognize

1 that the Committee may consider tax-exempt and
2 taxable conduit transactions, including but not
3 limited to PACE Bonds.

4 This resolution also broadens the
5 scope of the Direct and Alternative Financing
6 Committee to include Illinois Clean Water Initiative
7 State Revolving Fund, or SRF transaction, consistent
8 with historical practice.

9 Does any Member have any questions or
10 comments?

11 (No response.)

12 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you.

13 All right. I'd like to request a
14 motion to pass and adopt the following New Business
15 items: Items 1A, 1B, 1C, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8.

16 Is there such a motion?

17 OBERNAGEL: So moved.

18 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: A motion by Mr. Obernagel.

19 A second?

20 GOETZ: Second.

21 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Second by Mr. Goetz.

22 Will the Assistant Secretary please
23 call the roll?

24 FLETCHER: On the motion and second, I'll call

1 the roll.

2 Mr. Goetz?

3 GOETZ: Yes.

4 FLETCHER: Ms. Juracek?

5 JURACEK: Yes.

6 FLETCHER: Mr. Knox?

7 KNOX: Yes.

8 FLETCHER: Mr. McCoy?

9 McCOY: Yes.

10 FLETCHER: Mr. Obernagel?

11 OBERNAGEL: Yes.

12 FLETCHER: Mr. Poole?

13 POOLE: Yes.

14 FLETCHER: Ms. Smoots?

15 SMOOTS: Yes.

16 FLETCHER: Mr. Wright?

17 WRIGHT: Yes.

18 FLETCHER: Mr. Chairman?

19 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Yes.

20 FLETCHER: Mr. Chairman, the motion carries.

21 PERUGINI: Ladies and gentlemen, it's my

22 pleasure to stand here before you today and to

23 formally introduce myself as your new Vice President,

24 Healthcare, so you only have to hear my voice for a

1 couple more minutes.

2 As the Authority's 2019 Fiscal Year
3 comes to a close, I would like to provide for you a
4 recap of what Healthcare financings looked like in
5 Fiscal Year 2019. And also some insight into what we
6 can expect for Fiscal Year 2020.

7 Executive Director Meister provided an
8 introduction and some information on my background in
9 his director's message, but I would like to take a
10 minute to share with you my personal thoughts on the
11 Healthcare industry.

12 What I find so special about
13 Healthcare finance is its collegial nature, how the
14 different parties on the transaction work together
15 towards a common goal. What I love is that I can
16 look around this great state of Illinois and see
17 buildings that I helped to finance and that are
18 making a difference. And, most importantly, the
19 borrowers and the professionals in the Healthcare
20 community are second to none. And I consider them
21 more than just colleagues; I'm honored to call them
22 my friends.

23 While I have lived all over the world,
24 from Illinois to London to Colorado, I'm glad that

1 I've finally come home and back to an industry that I
2 care deeply about.

3 Now, historically, Healthcare bonds
4 have been the cornerstone of the Authority's public
5 mission in self-sustaining revenues, and in Fiscal Year
6 2019 was no exception. I'm pleased to report the
7 follow preliminary and unaudited highlights:

8 To date, the Authority has issued just
9 under \$938 million in tax-exempt conduit bonds on
10 behalf of Healthcare borrowers. And this has
11 resulted in closing fees of close to \$800,000 with
12 another \$100,000 expected in June.

13 Now, this is remarkable for many
14 reasons, but especially because it is coming in the
15 wake of the change and uncertainty surrounding
16 conduit bonds at the end of calendar year 2017,
17 including the elimination of the ability to advance
18 refunds. This positive performance is a -- very good
19 news for the Authority. And Fiscal Year 2020
20 pipeline is already visible and promising, and at
21 least two Healthcare financings are anticipated on
22 the June agenda.

23 Building upon Fiscal Year 2019's
24 successful track record, the Healthcare budget in

1 Fiscal year in 2020 is also strong. And, while
2 hospitals and continuing care retirement facilities
3 are navigating thinner operating margins and the
4 Authority still thinks there's the challenges that
5 come along with consolidation, the overall outlook of
6 the Healthcare industry is stable.

7 And we are still pursuing leads under
8 the two Healthcare-related Transformation Initiative
9 products: The Medium Term Healthcare Finance product
10 and the Ownership and Project Finance product. We
11 are hopeful for a financing in Fiscal Year 2020 under
12 these very specific products. And we are currently
13 in conversations with a significant borrower who is
14 interested in these products, and we will update the
15 Board accordingly.

16 And, finally, to ensure the
17 Authority's continued positive impact and success,
18 with the mentorship of Pam, I have met the principals
19 in our primary universe of borrowers as well as the
20 members of the professional teams and c-suite
21 decision makers that support those borrowers.

22 I look forward to continuing to
23 provide the excellent client service,
24 professionalism, efficiency, and transparency that

1 are the Authority's legacy.

2 Thank you.

3 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you.

4 MYART: Good morning, everyone. My name is
5 Charles Myart. I'm the Vice President of Loans and
6 Guarantees.

7 This morning I would just like to
8 update you on the status of the Participation
9 business line and Agriculture Guarantee Consolidation
10 review of the pipeline real quick. Provide you
11 status update on the potential transactions, and
12 those that we kind of -- that were withdrawn and
13 declined, and then a potential with strategic
14 initiatives.

15 Currently, the Authority has 17 banks
16 enrolled, which have executed Participation Loan
17 documentation. The 16th was executed back in April,
18 and the 17th, we just received the other day for the
19 May edition. There are several banks currently
20 reviewing our standard Participation Loan
21 documentation for consideration of enrollment.

22 We have currently, under the Projects
23 tab, a pending pre-funding deal for \$225,000. We
24 have four potential Participation Loan transactions

1 of about \$1.9 million in the discussion stage. The
2 Authority has two potential Agriculture Guarantee
3 transactions of approximately \$1 million.

4 Two deals were withdrawn from
5 consideration: one was a Participation Loan request,
6 the design business requesting financing for start-up
7 debt and requesting a working capital line of credit.
8 The Ag deal request was to restructure operating debt
9 for which it chose, instead of the IFA, went along
10 with the federal Guarantee Program.

11 The Authority declined a request from
12 a developer. This developer had taken on more debt
13 than the property's value. He did not have the
14 sufficient cash flow to service the proposed debt.
15 The Authority also took a pass on a potential golf
16 course deal, which had insufficient cash flow.

17 Potential strategic partnerships and
18 initiatives: The Authority had preliminary
19 discussion with the State Treasurer's Office
20 regarding potential cooperation between that
21 office and the Participation Loan business line.
22 Deputy Executive Director Stuckey's prior tenure
23 at the State Treasurer's Office will help facilitate
24 these efforts.

1 The Authority staff has also held
2 discussions with the U.S. Department of Commerce
3 Economic Development Administration with respect to
4 leveraging revolving loan funds across the state and
5 various local governments and working on potential
6 bus- -- incubators to provide financing for
7 entrepreneurs.

8 Finally, the Authority is exploring a
9 collaboration effort between Chicago Transit
10 Authority with respect to a \$1.6 billion project,
11 which is the largest of the Chicago Transit
12 Authority. And the Capital Development Board in
13 developing a lending and bonding process to provide
14 access to capital for small contractors applying for
15 capital projects.

16 In addition, the Authority is in
17 discussion with a minority woman-owned business with
18 respect to water/clean energy. This business has
19 developed patented techniques to take farm waste and
20 converting it into clean energy. It intends to build
21 a manufacturing facility in central Illinois.

22 With special interest, the Authority
23 has interest in the federal Opportunity Zones.
24 Opportunity Zones are economically depressed areas

1 which qualify for new equity investment and treated
2 preferentially by the IRS. The Authority believes
3 that debt products such as Participation Loan
4 programs, C-PACE and some Conduit financing, is an
5 important role in fostering economic development and
6 job creation.

7 We sought to engage O-Zone fund
8 managers as to whether the Authority can partner with
9 equity pieces from the O-Zone funds, in addition, as
10 a part of the overall project capital stack.

11 I want to take time to provide a
12 special thank-you for Malcolm Simmons, who has
13 diligently supported these efforts of the Authority
14 by investigating, reaching out, and contacting these
15 fund managers and keeping the Authority apprised on
16 changes in the rules and regulations with respect to
17 Opportunity Zones.

18 With respect to the next piece, the
19 Authority is proactively managing risk in the
20 Participation Loan business line and the Agricultural
21 Guarantee context. We are working towards a
22 portfolio management process to serve as an early
23 warning system to identify and manage potential risk
24 within those two portfolios.

1 Finally, the staff is reviewing,
2 updating, and developing proposed changes to
3 policies, procedures, standard agreements, and state
4 administrative rules to appropriately ensure
5 compliance, transparency, and accountability.

6 Thank you.

7 BONNETT: Good morning, Members of the Board.
8 My name is Lisa Bonnett, and I'm pleased to be here
9 this morning to provide an update on the SRF 2019
10 Series Green Bonds and to bring forth three
11 opportunities the Authority is exploring with regard
12 to Water Infrastructure Financing.

13 As reported at the April 9th Board
14 meeting, the Authority successfully priced its State
15 of Illinois Clean Water Initiative State Revolving
16 Funds Series 2019 Green Bonds at a premium during the
17 pricing on April 3rd and 4th. And since the April
18 Board meeting, the Authority has closed this
19 transaction on April 16th.

20 Closing of the 2019 SRF Green Bonds
21 has provided \$533 million in much needed funds for
22 the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to loan
23 to local governments for water infrastructure
24 projects. Already the IEPA has accessed \$41 million

1 of the 2019 SRF proceeds to fund projects. Ramping
2 up these infrastructure projects will not only
3 improve the quality of water we all depend on but
4 will also stimulate local economies and create jobs
5 across Illinois communities.

6 As you are well aware, the Authority,
7 with our partners at Illinois EPA, has successfully
8 leveraged more than \$1.9 billion in water
9 infrastructure project financing through the SRF
10 program which has significantly increased the annual
11 amount of financing available for these projects.

12 I'd like to draw your attention to the
13 chart that's in your packet that has a State
14 Revolving Fund issuer volume, to just highlight the
15 great work that Illinois is doing.

16 So, the first column: since its
17 inception in 2000- -- in 1989, the Federal SRF
18 Program, Illinois ranked 13th in regard to leveraging
19 these federal capital dollars in order to fund water
20 projects.

21 In 2013, when we initiated the
22 Illinois Clean Water Initiative, we were third in
23 ranking in issuing leverage bonds for the SRF
24 program. And, since 2016, we are now second in the

1 country of states that are leveraging their SRF,
2 which is really -- speaks a lot of success for us as
3 we have taken a federal capitalization grant and
4 optimized the financing and our project funding
5 abilities. And so, with this, we should be very
6 proud of our success.

7 However, even with this success,
8 additional financing is needed to meet the \$2.3
9 billion in water infrastructure projects that are
10 currently identified on the 2019 Intended Use Plan.

11 Through the non-SRF Water
12 Infrastructure Financing Transformation Initiative,
13 the Authority is currently exploring three
14 opportunities to increase the amount of financing
15 available for water infrastructure projects.

16 The first opportunity is developing a
17 local government direct loan product that will
18 utilize the Authority's balance sheet funds to
19 provide low-cost, short-term loans to water utilities
20 for emergency repair projects and for
21 project-planning and engineering cost incurred prior
22 to being awarded an SRF loan.

23 This product will be modeled after the
24 Illinois EPA SRF Loan Program wherein the IFA develop

1 standalone documents, including ordinances to be
2 adopted by local governments. The Authority will
3 establish interest rates and fees to cover our
4 administrative costs, and that will allow our monies
5 to revolve and grow at a sustainable rate.

6 A second opportunity is working with
7 local governments to attain project financing through
8 the Federal Water Infrastructure Finance and
9 Innovation Act, or WIFIA, financing program. The
10 goal of the WIFIA program is to accelerate investment
11 in water and wastewater infrastructure by providing
12 long-term, low-cost credit assistance under
13 customized terms to creditworthy water and wastewater
14 projects of national and regional significance.

15 WIFIA loans can provide 49 percent
16 financing of all project costs from development
17 phases through construction, including application
18 and loan closing fees. In 2019, Congress
19 appropriated \$60 million for credit subsidy, which
20 will allow the Federal EPA to finance approximately
21 \$6 billion in water infrastructure projects
22 nationwide.

23 U.S. EPA has issued a notice of
24 funding availability on April 5th requesting

1 interested parties to submit a letter of interest by
2 July 5th, 2019. It's important to note that Illinois
3 has not made application for this program in 2017 or
4 2018.

5 The Authority is taking a leadership
6 role in exploring potential Illinois projects that
7 will best meet the funding priorities of the 2019
8 application round and that would benefit from a loan
9 through the federal WIFIA program.

10 The Authority has had initial
11 discussions with two water utilities that will have
12 large projects that need financing in the near term.
13 One of the projects will make a significant
14 investment in the conveyance of storm water and other
15 projects that would replace -- a conveyance of storm
16 water. And the other project would replace the
17 source of water for several public water supplies and
18 will build the necessary treatment and distribution
19 systems. Both of these projects would be good
20 candidates to take advantage of a WIFIA loan.

21 The third area we are exploring is to
22 evaluate the Authority's current financing products
23 under the local government and Participation Loan
24 programs to determine the viability and the cost of

1 issuance of these products to finance water
2 infrastructure projects. This evaluation will
3 include identifying process steps, roles and
4 responsibilities, timeline from application to loan
5 origination, and the cost of issuance.

6 Thank you. I'd be happy to answer any
7 questions.

8 (No response.)

9 STUCKEY: Good morning. First of all, for
10 Item 12 I would like to point the Board to the audit
11 update memo, which you can find on Tab 12 and fro- --
12 sorry. Tab 12 of your Board book. This memo will
13 update the Board on the Authority's current audits
14 and the general audit process.

15 This update is consistent with
16 Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 2019-01, which
17 directs state agencies to review past audit findings
18 and to develop plans to address them.

19 Currently, the Authority's engaged in
20 both internal and external audits. Under the
21 External Audit section, you'll see an update to
22 the -- a reminder to the Board that the General
23 Auditor is a Constitutional officer. The Auditor
24 General's Office performs several types of audits to

1 review state agencies with financial audits and
2 compliance examinations that are mandated by law.

3 Pursuant to the Finance Act, the
4 Auditor General is allowed to bill agencies for the
5 audit costs. For Fiscal Year '18, the Authority was
6 charged approximately \$234,000 for the Authority's
7 audits.

8 RSM is the external auditors that are
9 assigned to the Authority from the Internal -- I'm
10 sorry -- from the Auditor General's Office. RSM is
11 engaged with the Authority for six years, which began
12 on Fiscal Year 2016.

13 The entrance exam between RSM and the
14 Authority was held on April 12th, 2019, which marked
15 the beginning of the audit process for Fiscal Year
16 '19. For Fiscal Year '19, the Authority will be
17 audited on both on the -- for financial audit and a
18 two-year compliance examination.

19 Under the Internal Audit Progress
20 Update, there's a reminder that Central Management
21 Services, or CMS, Internal Audit Division and the
22 Authority entered into an intergovernmental agreement
23 for CMS to perform the internal audit services for
24 the Authority.

1 The Authority is on track to complete
2 the first of a two-year audit plan for 2019. So far,
3 the Authority has received mostly observation. The
4 Authority has received findings, one example of which
5 was for not having 15 Board Members for any time
6 during the audit period.

7 The Authority has found the
8 relationship with CMS Internal Audit to be a very
9 helpful management tool. We find it very helpful for
10 the preparation for the external audits and also to
11 ensure the Authority's policies and procedures are
12 consistent with best practices. We have not been
13 charged for these services, but the Authority finds
14 them so helpful that, if the CMS chose to do so, we
15 would pay for these services.

16 Does anybody have any questions?

17 (No response.)

18 STUCKEY: Okay. Moving on to Item 13, which is
19 the Talent Retention, Development and Acquisition
20 Update. You'll find the memo under Tab 13, and
21 there's also an updated version along with Appendix A
22 and an org. chart within your Board materials.

23 This memo gave you background on
24 the -- any information on the approach the Authority

1 is taking to retain, develop, and acquire talent
2 given some of the complexities presented with the
3 current hiring environment, including Rutan.

4 Under the Rutan- -- under the
5 Background sections, for the people that are not
6 familiar with the hiring -- State's hiring process,
7 you'll find back -- you'll find that Rutan versus
8 Republican Party is the Supreme Court case which
9 held, in part, that hiring decision based --
10 decisions involving low-level employees may not be
11 based on political affiliation and support.

12 This court case developed two
13 categories of employees, one time type was which --
14 Rutan-covered employees, which does not allow the
15 political -- the political affiliation or support to
16 be judged in the hiring, and Rutan-exempt position,
17 which party affiliation may be considered.

18 Through this court case and further
19 litigation, the State has implemented standard -- a
20 standardized hiring process intended to promote fair,
21 objective, and political by an evaluation for
22 candidates for Rutan-covered positions.

23 Being that the Authority is a
24 statutory body politic and corporate and not covered

1 under the Personnel Code, the state's Rutan process
2 does not apply to the Authority. But the Authority
3 recognizes the applicability of the principles and
4 the underlying process; therefore, the Authority is
5 adopting a Talent and -- Retention, Development and
6 Acquisition framework that is consistent with the
7 broad principles and objectives of the state Rutan
8 framework.

9 For Appendix A, you will find the
10 detailed -- the detailed description of the
11 Authority's process. In short, the Authority is
12 taking a two-pronged approach differentiating from
13 positions that are treated as Rutan-covered and
14 positions that are treated as Rutan-exempt. You will
15 also find an org. chart.

16 Generally speaking, positions that
17 report to Director Meister will be considered
18 Rutan-exempt. Positions that do not, generally
19 speaking, will be Rutan-covered. None of this --
20 this update will not change the fact that all the
21 employees of the Authority will remain at-will
22 employees.

23 The Authority recognizes not only the
24 importance of bringing on talented staff but also

1 retaining and developing existing staff. The
2 Authority is actively reviewing the employee handbook
3 and refining policies in order to develop a
4 comprehensive approach to retaining and developing
5 staff.

6 Policies under consideration include
7 but are not limited to parental leave, tuition
8 reimbursement, compassion leave, bereavement leave,
9 wellness initiatives an- -- I'm sorry -- the Wellness
10 Initiative Program.

11 I would like to thank Sarah Mankowski
12 for a tremendous effort she put in to assist and
13 develop these policies and processes for the
14 Authority.

15 Thank you for your time. I'm happy to
16 answer any questions.

17 MEISTER: And, if I may, Mr. Chairman,
18 particularly the Audit and the Talent Retention,
19 Development and Acquisition elements were covered in
20 both the Audit Plus Committee and the Governance
21 Committee, but I thought that it was important to go
22 over these matters in some detail with the entire
23 Board, in front of the audience.

24 Given that as a body politic and

1 corporate created by statute, these two elements loom
2 very large in our resource allocation, both the
3 time-consuming and cost nature of the audit process.
4 And with the direction that the Authority is going,
5 to make sure that the Board members fully understand
6 the background of the statewide and nationwide Rutan
7 versus -- the U.S. Supreme Court Rutan case and our
8 plans to engage in a Rutan-consistent process when
9 building our staff in the future.

10 So, thank you, Jacob. I really
11 appreciate it.

12 And, for those Members that sat
13 through those committees, I knew that we -- that we
14 were covering it twice, but at the same time these
15 two elements, Rutan with respect to hiring and the
16 external audit process, are sufficiently different,
17 from anybody who has not been deeply involved with
18 state government, to drive home these points and make
19 sure everybody understands the complexity and the
20 time commitment that it takes to address them.

21 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you, Chris.

22 STUCKEY: Well, I'd like to thank the Board for
23 taking the time to listen to these two very exciting
24 topics.

1 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you, Jacob.

2 Financial reports?

3 GRANDA: Good morning, everyone. I will be
4 presenting the financial information for period
5 ending April 30, 2019.

6 There was an error on -- with the
7 Board book when it was sent to print, so the
8 financials were not included in the Board book, but
9 they are in your red folders labeled Financial --
10 Financials.

11 The financial highlights for the
12 General Operating Fund are as follows: Our total
13 annual revenues equals \$3.5 million and are \$282,000,
14 or 8.7 percent higher, than budget. This is
15 primarily due to higher administrative fees and
16 interest and investment income.

17 Our total expenses equals \$3.6 million
18 and are \$531,000, or 12.8 percent, lower than budget.
19 This was driven by below budget spending on
20 employee-related expenses due to vacancies.

21 In April the Authority generated
22 \$262,000 in closing fees, which is \$41,000 higher
23 than our monthly budgeted amount of \$221,000. In
24 April the Authority recorded operating expenses of

1 \$376,000, which is \$37,000 lower than the monthly
2 budgeted amount of \$413,000.

3 The monthly operating expenses
4 continues to be better than the forecast operating
5 expenses due to employee-related expenses.

6 In April the Authority recorded
7 \$118,000 in net investment income. This trend is
8 consistent with the market expectations, which
9 resulted in a continuation in relatively low interest
10 rate and positioning certain investments for a
11 positive gain.

12 Our year-to-date investment income is
13 at \$985,000 or \$754,000 higher than budget. This is
14 due to Fiscal Year 2019 budget was conservative under
15 this category, and it was based on prior years
16 historical data. Going forward, the Authority will
17 work with the investment manager to forecast the
18 investment income budget for Fiscal Year 2020.

19 Also in your red folders, you will
20 find information -- is an executive summary report on
21 our locally held investments.

22 Our total monthly net income for April
23 is \$83,000, which is attributable to
24 higher-than-expected closing fees and due to our net

1 investment income.

2 Our total annual net loss is at
3 \$69,000, which is better than the forecast operating
4 loss of \$884,000. This is due to
5 higher-than-expected interest and investment income
6 in addition to an effective expense control.

7 As previously mentioned by
8 Ms. Bonnett, the closing on the 2019 State Revolving
9 Fund Green Bond was on April 16th, and it provided
10 \$533 million in bond proceeds.

11 As of May 13th, the Illinois
12 Environment Protection Agency has requested bond
13 proceeds of \$27.8 million under the Clean Water
14 Program to fund 38 new loans.

15 Under the Drinking Water Program, the
16 Illinois Environmental Protection Agency has
17 requested \$13.1 million in bond proceeds to fund 31
18 new loans. In the next Board meeting, the Authority
19 will be providing a listing of all of the
20 participants that have received the bond proceeds.

21 Moving on to Audit, as Jacob Stuckey
22 mentioned, RSM will be performing the Fiscal Year
23 2019 financial audit and the two-year compliance
24 examination. The first phase of the field work will

1 begin on May 28 and the inter- -- I mean, the
2 external auditors will be in the Authority premises
3 until June 30th. As the audit progresses, we will be
4 providing the Board with updates.

5 Moving on to our internal audit, CMS
6 Internal Audit Division is our internal auditors.
7 Currently, they are working on two audits, which are
8 the Bond Compliance and Expenditures, Payables, and
9 Equipment. We anticipate completing these two audits
10 by June 30th. These audits are the last two that
11 need to be completed under the Fiscal Year 2019 Audit
12 Plan.

13 Are there any questions?

14 (No response.)

15 GRANDA: Thank you.

16 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: I don't want to sound like
17 a broken record, but I just want to make a comment on
18 the items that were presented in the financials.

19 We're in a much different place than
20 we were a year and a half ago. And I think, if we
21 can get to the finish line the end of June and break
22 even, it's a tremendous victory to the IFA and a
23 complement to the staff for your very hard work and
24 the transformation. And it shows the impact the

1 IFA -- a greater impact that the IFA will have with
2 the diversification and transformation.

3 So thank you for your work. Thank
4 you.

5 Ms. McCoy?

6 McCOY: Okay. Good morning, Mr. Chairman and
7 Members of the Board. My name is Tiffany McCoy, and
8 today I will providing updates on the schedule of
9 debt, which you can find in your Board books.

10 So each month I prepare a schedule of
11 debt as a supplement to the preliminary and unaudited
12 financial statements. The schedule of debt is a
13 monthly summary of the outstanding Conduit debt and
14 outstanding Treasury funds. Collectively these
15 summaries present a snapshot of the Authority's debt
16 portfolio.

17 This month, we reorganized the
18 schedule of debt, and as a result the schedule of
19 debt now reports all Conduit debt issued under the
20 Illinois Finance Authority Act subject to the general
21 debt limit on page 1, and all other debts are
22 presented on page 2.

23 Specifically, Section 1 maintains a
24 summary of all the outstanding Conduit debt issued

1 under the Illinois Finance Authority Act organized by
2 market sector. But Sections 1A through 1D now report
3 each of the categorical limitations within the
4 general debt limit.

5 For example, aggregate guarantees and
6 aggregate loan programs count against the general
7 debt limit of the \$28.1 billion, and each further
8 bound by the categorical limitations as outlined.

9 The change in the reporting for the
10 immaterial amount of the outstanding guarantees is a
11 recognition of a better understanding of Section
12 830-25 of the Illinois Finance Authority Act and the
13 Bond Indebtedness Limitation contained therein for
14 guarantees.

15 Additional changes to the schedule of
16 debt include removal of the section summarizing the
17 Recovery Zone Facility Bonds issuance previously
18 submitted under the American Recovery and
19 Reinvestment Act of 2019, which did expire in
20 December of 2010; removal of the section summarizing
21 a Qualified Energy Conservation Bond issuance
22 previously authorized under the Energy Improvement
23 and Extension Act of 2008, which did expire in 2017
24 with the federal tax reform; removal of the section

1 summarizing the Midwestern Disaster Area Bond
2 issuance previously authorized under the Heartland
3 Disaster Tax Relief Act of 2008, which did expire in
4 December 2012; and the addition of the Deferred
5 Action Childhood Arrival, or DACA, Loan Program in
6 Section 2.

7 Collectively, these changes are
8 intended to present a more clear and concise picture
9 of the Authority's debt portfolio. Staff will
10 continue to monitor the debt issuance and principal
11 repayments as well as consult with our Bond Counsel
12 as necessary.

13 Are there any questions?

14 (No response.)

15 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you, Ms. McCoy.
16 Sorry for interrupting you earlier.

17 McCOY: That's okay.

18 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Okay. Are there any
19 questions for Ms. Granda or Ms. McCoy?

20 (No response.)

21 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Hearing none, I'd like to
22 request a motion to accept the Financial Reports.

23 Is there such a motion?

24 GOETZ: So moved.

1 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: So Mr. Goetz.

2 Second?

3 McCOY: Second.

4 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Second by Mr. McCoy.

5 All those in favor?

6 (Chorus of ayes.)

7 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Opposed?

8 (No response.)

9 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: The ayes have it.

10 Monthly procurement?

11 GRANDA: The Procurement Report can be found in
12 your Board books under the Procurement tab.

13 Items -- the items on page 1 of the
14 Procurement Report support the Authority operation.
15 One of the particular note is the renewable employee
16 benefits for 2019/2020, and the remainder of the
17 report includes expiring contracts through this
18 calendar year.

19 Are there any questions?

20 (No response.)

21 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you, Six.

22 Does anyone wish to make any
23 additions, edits, or corrections to the Minutes from
24 April 9th?

1 (No response.)

2 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Hearing none, I'd like to
3 request a motion to approve the minutes.

4 Is there such a motion?

5 POOLE: So moved, Mr. Chairman.

6 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: A motion by Mr. Poole.

7 A second?

8 McCOY: Second.

9 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: A second by Mr. McCoy.

10 All those in favor?

11 (Chorus of ayes.)

12 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Opposed?

13 (No response.)

14 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: The ayes have it.

15 Ms. Weber?

16 WEBER: Mr. Chairman and Members, I am here to
17 introduce Agenda Item XI, Consideration and Action
18 Regarding Whether to Open the Closed Minutes from
19 September 11, 2018.

20 At the September 2018 regular meeting
21 of the Authority, the Members entered into closed
22 session pursuant to Section 2(c)(11) of the Illinois
23 Open Meetings Act to discuss litigation involving the
24 Authority.

1 At the following meeting of the
2 Authority in November 2018, the Members approved the
3 minutes of the September closed session and voted to
4 keep the minutes of that closed session discussion
5 closed until the next periodic review required by
6 the Open Meetings Act.

7 Copies of the minutes, which are
8 confidential, can be found in the red folders that
9 were passed out previously, and I believe they were
10 also e-mailed to you last Friday.

11 It is now time for the Authority to
12 review whether to open these minutes or to keep them
13 closed until the next periodic review.

14 The litigation discussed in the
15 September closed session remains ongoing.
16 Accordingly, if no Member wishes to discuss the
17 minutes, I recommend voting now to keep the minutes
18 closed until the next periodic review without
19 discussing in closed session today.

20 However, if there is a desire for
21 discussion, I recommend deferring that discussion to
22 Agenda Item XIII, Closed Session, and taking a vote
23 on the minutes afterwards.

24 Mr. Chairman?

1 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you.

2 Does any Member desire to go into
3 closed session to discuss the closed session minutes
4 from the regular meeting the Authority held on
5 September 11th, 2018?

6 (No response.)

7 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Hearing none, I'd like to
8 request a motion to keep those minutes closed until
9 the next periodic review required by the Open
10 Meetings Act.

11 Is there such a motion?

12 GOETZ: So moved, Mr. Chairman.

13 OBERNAGEL: Second.

14 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: So moved by Mr. Goetz;
15 seconded by Mr. Obernagel.

16 Will the Assistant Secretary please
17 call the roll?

18 FLETCHER: On the motion and second to keep the
19 minutes closed, I'll call the roll.

20 Mr. Goetz?

21 GOETZ: Yes.

22 FLETCHER: Ms. Juracek?

23 JURACEK: Yes.

24 FLETCHER: Mr. Knox?

1 KNOX: Yes.

2 FLETCHER: Mr. McCoy?

3 McCOY: Yes.

4 FLETCHER: Mr. Obernagel?

5 OBERNAGEL: Yes.

6 FLETCHER: Mr. Poole?

7 POOLE: Yes.

8 FLETCHER: Ms. Smoots?

9 SMOOTS: Yes.

10 FLETCHER: Mr. Wright?

11 WRIGHT: Yes.

12 FLETCHER: And Mr. Chairman?

13 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Yes.

14 FLETCHER: Mr. Chairman, the motion carried.

15 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you.

16 Is there any other business to come
17 before the Members today?

18 MEISTER: Mr. Chairman, just quickly, and this
19 was covered in some of the prior Committees. One of
20 the items that was presented was the further progress
21 on Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy. Vice
22 President Fletcher has been leading that effort for
23 about a year and a half.

24 Last night our partners working with

1 the General Assembly Environmental Law and Policy
2 Center, who is also working with Senate Majority
3 legal staff, identified what's known as a vehicle
4 bill, a House bill that has been voted out of the
5 House and is in the Senate. We've received
6 indications from -- that this bill, House Bill
7 3501 -- House Bill 3501 will be amended to include
8 technical rewrite language on C-PACE that
9 Mr. Fletcher has spent many months working to develop
10 with market participants as well as outside counsel.

11 Senator Melinda Bush will be
12 sponsoring this. The current sponsor, who has also
13 been -- of this bill, who's has also been a friend of
14 the Authority, Bertino-Tarrant is signing this over
15 to Senator Bush. And we hope that, when it returns
16 to the House, it will be sponsored by Representative
17 Natalie Manley.

18 And, then, I do just want to take a
19 moment to thank Tiffany McCoy and Brad Fletcher for
20 working closely on the schedule of debt. That is
21 something that is very complex, had not been updated
22 in some time, and both of them took a look at it with
23 fresh eyes and presented it in a matter consistent
24 with law.

1 And, then, also to complement again
2 our Vice President of Water, Lisa Bonnett. She was
3 the one, as IEPA director back in 2012, that drew the
4 plan for this -- for the success that was found on
5 these national rankings. And, as you've heard, she's
6 going to continue to work with us to have greater
7 success in the water space.

8 So thank you very much, Mr. Chairman.

9 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Thank you, Chris.

10 All right. I would like to request a
11 motion to excuse the absences of Members unable to
12 participate today.

13 Is there such a motion?

14 KNOX: So moved.

15 GOETZ: Second.

16 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Motion by Mr. Knox; second
17 by Mr. Goetz.

18 All those in favor?

19 (Chorus of ayes.)

20 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Opposed?

21 (No response.)

22 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: The ayes have it.

23 I hope Mr. Zeller's getting his corn in
24 today.

1 MEISTER: Yes.

2 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Is there any matter for
3 discussion in closed session today?

4 (No response.)

5 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: No? Good.

6 Hearing none, the next regularly
7 scheduled meeting will be June 11th.

8 I'd like to request a motion to
9 adjourn.

10 Is there such a motion?

11 McCOY: So moved.

12 WRIGHT: Second.

13 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: A motion and a second.

14 All those in favor?

15 (Chorus of ayes.)

16 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: Opposed?

17 (No response.)

18 CHAIRMAN ANDERBERG: The ayes have it.

19 Thank you, everybody.

20 FLETCHER: The time is 10:31 a.m.

21 (Whereupon the above
22 matter was adjourned.)

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24