

**COMMITTEE REPORT TO THE
STATE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD**

The Honorable John Engler, Governor
and
Members of the State Administrative Board

A regular meeting of the **Finance and Claims** Committee was held at **11:00 a.m.** on **October 31, 2000**, those present being:

Chairperson: Julie Croll, representing Approved _____
State Treasurer Murray

Member: Socorro Guerrero, representing Approved _____
Attorney General Granholm

Member: Brian DeBano, representing Approved _____
Governor John Engler

Others: Wes Van Malsen of the Department of Career Development;
Kristi Broessel of the Department of Community Health;
Sherry Bond, Kathy Jones, of the Department of Management
and Budget; Dale Rabe of the Department of Natural
Resources; Alan Wilk of Dykema Gossett; Paul Egan of the
Lansing State Journal; John Smalley of MHSA; Jerry
Crandall of MIRS; Dave Porteous of Sagem Morpho; and Mark
Heusel of Wise & Marsac

The Finance and Claims Committee regular agenda was presented.

Mr. Mark Heusel of Wise & Marsac, representing Cogent Systems, Inc., informed the Committee that an appeal will be filed regarding Item 8(1) by the 11/2/00 deadline. Mr. Heusel requested that item 8(1) be withdrawn pending an appeal on the contract award.

Mr. Alan Wilk of Dykema Gossett, representing SRI, Inc., requested that item 12 (1) be withdrawn pending an appeal on the contract award. Mr. Wilk said that Dykema Gossett has sent a FOIA request and funds to the Department of Treasury on 10/5/00, but has received no information to date. He also wanted the Committee to know that an Attorney General's Opinion had been issued on 10/30/00 regarding contractors needing to be licensed to perform title searches. Mr. Wilk said upon checking with the Insurance Bureau this morning, that Title Check LLC was not licensed. Mr. Wilk also stated that it was his interpretation of the opinion that all subcontractors need to also be licensed. Kathy Jones of the Office of Purchasing told the Committee that if the company recommended for award was not licensed, they would be given a

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reasonable time to become licensed and that the Office of Purchasing will look into the subcontracting issue.

Following discussion, Mr. DeBano moved that the regular agenda be recommended to the State Administrative Board for approval, with the following limitations: Items 8(1) and 12(1) be withdrawn at the next State Administrative Board if the respective appeal process has not been completed. The motion was supported by Ms. Guerrero and unanimously adopted.

Ms. Croll adjourned the meeting.

At the State Administrative Board meeting of November 7, 2000, items 8 (1) for Sagem Morpho and 12 (1) for Title Check LLC were withdrawn at the request of the Department of Management and Budget, Purchasing Division.