

State of Maryland

Procurement Improvement Council

January 12, 2021

1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

**Agenda**

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|  | Welcome and Introductions of the PIC Members and Attendees |  | 1:00 |
|  | Topics for Discussion   1. Suggested Regulation Changes from the VSBE Task Force 2. Suggested Regulation Changes for SBR Program 3. Update and Suggested Regulation/Terms and Conditions Changes for IT Procurements from the IT Workgroup 4. Training Overview 5. Open Discussion |  | 1:10  1:30  2:00  2:30 |
|  | Closing Remarks |  | 2:55 |
|  | Adjournment |  | 3:00 |

**Members**

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| Member Role | Representative | Member Role | Representative |
| CPO (Chair) | Bob Gleason | BPW Procurement Advisor | Gabe Gnall |
| Treasurer | Bernadette Benik | GOSBA Special Secretary | Jimmy Rhee |
| UMS Chancellor | Thomas Hickey | GOPI Director | Allison Cordell |
| DBM Secretary | Marc Nicole or Joan Peacock | Local Gov rep (w/procurement expertise) \* | Mary Jo Childs |
| DoIT Secretary | Scott Bernard | Public Member \* | Juan Leo Salazar |
| MDOT Secretary | Mike Zimmerman | Public Member (with procurement expertise) \* | Patrick F. Vizzard |

\* Appointed by Governor, with advice and consent of Senate

Procurement Improvement Council (PIC)

**Statutory Responsibilities**

1. Ensure use of most advanced methods, techniques, policies, procedures and forms for procurement and contract management
2. Communicate between State units on procurement matters, emphasizing current developments and advances in procurement methods and management
3. Discuss specific emerging procurement issues and problems, including…
   1. Procurement officer training
   2. Risk analysis and insurance requirements
   3. eMMA and other online procurement resources
   4. Intergovernmental cooperative purchasing agreements and use
   5. Other identified issues or problems
4. Advise BPW on problems in the procurement process and recommend improvements
5. Review existing procurement regulations to:
   1. Determine if they meet purpose and intent of law, especially fostering of broad–based competition
   2. Make recommendations on regulations, if revising and restructuring results in easier understanding and use
6. Advise General Assembly on legislation to enhance efficiency and transparency of state procurement