

Commission for Connecticut's Future

Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 25th, 2014
Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology
222 Pitkin Street, Suite 101, East Hartford, CT 06108

Members Present: Commissioner Catherine Smith (Chair), Todd Berch, Jacqueline Johnson, Henry Lowendorf, Commissioner Sharon Palmer, Steve Paulone, Karl Prewo, John Rathgeber, Jeffrey Seeman

Meeting Commenced at 9:04 AM

- 1.) Welcome and Introductions
- 2.) Presentation by Dr. Miriam Pemberton, Research Fellow at the Institute for Policy Studies
“The Commission's Task: Benchmarks for Success and Ideas for Achieving Them”
-diversification, past policies during defense spending draw-downs and recommendations for future policies in Connecticut
- 3.) Presentation by Patricia Downs, Senior Workforce Advisor – Education and Workforce Development Initiative, and Chris Chmura, President of Chmura Economics and Analytics
“Regional Aerospace and Defense Exchange Program”
-demonstration of data mapping platform that will be available for New England region in October
- 4.) Discussion
-integrating commercial defense contracting spending into data mapping platform
-infrastructure as related to economic development
-follow up funding might be helpful if used to expand data mapping projections for potential defense increases in spending
- 5.) Meeting Dates Review
-Commission will potentially add another meeting to existing schedule for work on report

Meeting Adjourned at 10:48 AM