TREASURY BOARD COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA May 9, 2012 9:00 a.m. Treasury Board Conference Room James Monroe Building 101 N. 14th Street, 3rd Floor Richmond, Virginia

- Members Present: Manju S. Ganeriwala, Chairwoman David Von Moll David K. Boyer Thomas N. Chewning William W. Harrison, Jr.
- Members Absent: Craig Burns Shaza Andersen
- **Others Present: Kristin Reiter** Department of the Treasury Department of the Treasury Margaret Layne Robert Young Department of the Treasury **Evie Whitley** Department of the Treasury Department of the Treasury Michael Tutor Department of the Treasury Tim Wilhide Jeanine Black Department of the Treasury Kathy Green Department of the Treasury Sherwanda Cawthorn Department of the Treasury Deborah Greene Department of the Treasury Department of the Treasury Janet Aylor Judy Milliron Department of the Treasury **Glenn Dellinger** Department of the Treasury Belinda Blanchard Department of the Treasury Leslie English Department of the Treasury John Lawson Department of Transportation Michael Walsh Department of Transportation **Donald Ferguson** Attorney General's Office Optimal Service Group of Wells Fargo Brian Moore Patrick Dixon Wells Fargo Wells Fargo Scott Luxton **Evan Francks Optimal Service Group of Wells Fargo** Optimal Service Group of Wells Fargo Bryce Lee Joe Montgomery Optimal Service Group of Wells Fargo Mike Driscoll Auditor of Public Accounts Marcella Lee Auditor of Public Accounts McGuire Woods Arthur Anderson T.W. Bruno McGuire Woods

Jason Powell

Senate Finance Committee

# **<u>Call to Order and Approval of Minutes</u>**

Chairwoman Ganeriwala welcomed Board members and called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

Chairwoman Ganeriwala asked if there were any changes or revisions to the Minutes of the April 18, 2011 meeting; there being none, Chairwoman Ganeriwala asked for a vote for approval, Mr. Boyer moved the approval of the Minutes, Mr. VonMoll seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **Public Comment**

None

#### **Action Items**

#### Resolution Approving The Plan Of Finance For The Issuance And Sale By The Commonwealth Transportation Board Of The Commonwealth Of Virginia Transportation Capital Projects Revenue Bonds, Series 2012.

Janet Aylor presented the preliminary financing summary for the issuance of Bonds by the Commonwealth Transportation Board. She stated that the \$600,000,000 issuance of Commonwealth of Virginia Transportation Contract Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2012 will be used to finance various transportation projects throughout the Commonwealth pursuant to the Bond Act and Appropriation Act and pay certain costs related to issuance of the Series 2012 Bonds. The Bonds will be sold competitively on May 31, 2012 and will be delivered on June 14, or 15, 2012. Ms. Aylor introduced John Lawson, CFO of the Virginia Department of Transportation, Michael Walsh of VDOT and Bond Counsel, T.W Bruno and Arthur Anderson from McGuire Woods.

Arthur Anderson of McGuire Woods reviewed the Resolution approving the plan of finance for the issuance and sale of the Bonds.

Chairwoman Ganeriwala asked what kind of premium is expected. Ms. Aylor stated that it could be around \$89 million with a bid price projected at 114%.

Mr. Chewning asked about the differential in price between AAA and AA+ ratings. Mr. Anderson replied that it was about 20 basis points.

Mr. Chewing also asked if there was a huge supply of bonds in the market currently that might impact demand. Ms. Whitley stated that she was not concerned because there have been so many refinancings in the last few months resulting in a great deal of bonds being called, so investors are looking for new bonds to buy. She also noted that the sale had moved by one week to give the market time to digest the Virginia Resources Authority issue scheduled for May 23.

Chairwoman Ganeriwala asked if moving the date allows enough time to complete the sale before the end of the fiscal year. Mr. Anderson said that it would.

Chairwoman Ganeriwala asked if there were any questions. There being none, the Chairwoman asked for a Motion to approve. Mr. Harrison moved that the resolution be adopted. Mr. Boyer seconded, and the Motion carried unanimously.

# **Board Briefing**

# **Optimal Service Group of Wells Fargo Advisors' review of the General Account External Managers' Investment Performance for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2012.**

Bryce Lee and Brian Moore of The Optimal Service Group reviewed the performance of the General Account Extended Duration and Credit portfolio for the first quarter of 2012. They indicated that performance was good during the first quarter. They distributed and reviewed a handout entitled "Looking Ahead. Forecasting Interest Rates" (Attachment A).

Mr. Harrison asked if Dodge and Cox was weighted the same as Earnest. Mr. Lee indicated that they were not weighted the same and Earnest is the smallest manager at this point in time.

Mr. Boyer asked if there was a manager lined up to replace Dodge and Cox if their strategy failed. Mr. Lee said they have several companies that are in their pool, but have nothing definitively lined up in the case Dodge and Cox fails.

It was reported that Goldman Sachs is buying Dwight Asset Management. The closing should be in a week or two.

# Staff Reports:

#### **Debt Management**

Evie Whitley reviewed the Debt Calendar as of May 1, 2012, the Master Lease Program report as of April 30, 2012, and the Energy Lease Program as of April 30, 2012.

Ms. Whitley indicated that the Virginia Public School Authority sale scheduled for May 5 has been moved to the week of May 23 and the Commonwealth Transportation Board's Capital Projects Revenue Bonds will be moved to the 31<sup>st</sup>.

Ms. Whitley also reviewed the final financing summary of the VCBA Educational Facilities Revenue Bonds. The True Interest Cost was 2.85%.

#### **Security for Public Deposits**

Ms. Reiter reviewed the Security for Public Deposits report for the month ended March 31, 2012 and stated that no banks were undercollateralized in February. Ms. Reiter then reviewed the monthly compliance statistics reports for March 2012. She indicated that the IDC rankings have not been updated from last month, but expects to receive an update next week.

Ms. Reiter informed the Board that RBC Bank is merging with PNC Bank.

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# Investments

Tim Wilhide distributed and reviewed the Investment reports for April 2012 (Attachment B). He also reviewed the Local Government Investment Pool reports as of April 30, 2012.

Mr. Wilhide also distributed and reviewed the Virginia State Non-Arbitrage Program report for the month ended April 30, 2012 (Attachment C).

Mr. Harrison asked if Local Governments have cut back on their investments. Mr. Wilhide replied that the portfolio normally trends downward during the periods between local government tax collections. He also indicated that the portfolio is down because of the economy and tight budgets by localities.

# **Other Business:**

None.

Chairwoman Ganeriwala stated the next meeting of the Board would be on June 20, 2012. She asked if there was any further business to come before the Board. There being none, Mr. Boyer moved the meeting be adjourned at 9:57 a.m.; Mr. Von Moll seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Manju S. Ganeriwala, Chairwoman Commonwealth of Virginia Treasury Board

# Attachments "A through C"

Documents are available for review at

The Department of the Treasury