

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON INTERNAL CONTROLS
AND PROCEDURES LEGISLATION
MINUTES: June 13, 2008**

MEMBERS: Chair: Jenkins; Legislators: Burton, Harckham, Oros, Burrows

IN ATTENDANCE: **BOL:** S. Bass, L. Gantress, R. Pezzullo, R. Boland, R. Pezzullo, S. Schecter, O. Rhodes, V. Cristiano, B. Desoye, K. Delgado; **GUESTS:** B. Strauss, **Press:** J. Fitz-Gibbon, P. Reisman (J. News), R. Wolf (News 12)

With a quorum present, the Special Committee on Internal Controls and Procedures was called to order at 9:40 a.m.

The Chair would like to work on coming up with a task list and time lines for the committee which is inline with the scope of what the Chairman of The Board lined out. We need to first focus on gathering the data. Louise Gantress will research the current Westchester County and Board of Legislators policies. The committee will also reach out to our auditing firm, Bennett Kielson and come up with a list of things from them. Steve Bass will prepare a task list with timelines. The Republican members of the committee presented a memo which requested a list of items they wanted a copy of.

The recommendation from the County Attorney was to allow the District Attorney's active investigation to be completed before the committee reviews the specific claims against Gary Kriss. The committee can openly research that situation at that future time. Mr. Oros stated that The District Attorney investigation has a different standard and objective then that of the county board. The DA is looking to find out if a penal law was broken. This board needs to look at its internal procedures to protect the tax payers.

Items for our task list include: looking at our current expenditures, The Board of Legislators current policies and procedures, Westchester County policy, and best practices of other institutions from NACO, NYSAC or the Michaelian Institute. After the facts are gathered recommendations will be made.

The Chair doesn't believe the committee will take more than two months to complete its task.

The next meeting will be at 11:00 am next Wednesday, June 18. We will have the task list and timelines written out by then.

(Oros, Harckham) move to adjourn the Special Committee on Internal Controls and Procedures. Motion approved 5-0.

Special Committee on Internal Control and Procedures adjourned at 10:10 A.M.

AUDIO RECORDING ON FILE FOR REVIEW UPON REQUEST