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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 14, 2012

I. CONVENE MEETING

Agriculture Commissioner Steven K. Reviczky, council chair, called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. In addition to Chairman Reviczky, the following council members were present: Erica Andrews, Allyn Brown, III, Winter Caplanson, George Hindinger, Jason Hoagland, Herb Holden, Jr., Jamie Jones, Michael Keilty, Shelly Oechsler, Kevin Sullivan, Jr., Henry Talmage, and Dr. Greg Weidemann.

II. REMARKS BY CHAIR

Chairman Reviczky explained that the purpose of the meeting was to have a facilitated discussion regarding priorities of the council and suggestions for working group members and resources. He introduced Sue Mellow as the facilitator.

III. REMARKS BY VICE CHAIRS

Vice Chairs Talmage and Weidemann offered no additional remarks.

IV. REMARKS BY FACILITATOR

Sue Mellow reviewed the agenda and explained the process for the discussion.

V. FACILITATED DISCUSSION

Facilitator Mellow led the group through a discussion of what priorities for the council should be with respect to the charge set forth in Public Act 11-189. She then led the group through a discussion of potential working group members from outside the council.

VI. CLOSING REMARKS BY CHAIR

Chairman Reviczky thanked council members for their time and input. He explained that their ideas and suggestions would be carefully considered as he and the vice chairs structured the working groups and named council members to chair of each of those groups. He and Vice Chairs Talmage and Weidemann would then give each working group specific tasks for the year ahead, with the goal of producing recommendations to be considered for the 2012 legislative session.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business and Chairman Reviczky adjourned meeting at 4:09 p.m.