

Public Finance Management Board

December 3, 2015

9:00 a.m.



Rhode Island State House, Room 205

Public Finance Management Board

Notice of Meeting

The next meeting of the Public Finance Management Board has been scheduled for Thursday, December 3, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in Room 205, on the second floor of the State House, Providence, Rhode Island.

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Membership Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting held December 5, 2014*
Note: meetings of 3/19/15, 6/18/15 & 9/17/15 were cancelled due to lack of any volume cap applications
4. New Request for Approval *
 - RI Student Loan Authority- Allocation of portion of residual volume cap and allow carry forward of same amount \$60,000,000
 - RIHMFC- Allocation of a portion of residual volume cap, and allow carry forward of the same amount \$ 241,515,000
5. Discussion of State debt practices *
6. Other Business
 - Briefing: Open Government and Disclosure

* Board Members will be asked to vote on this item

Posted on Monday, November 30, 2015

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT BOARD
MEETING OF BOARD MEMBERS
December 4, 2014**

A meeting of the members of the Public Finance Management Board (“PFMB”) was held on Thursday, December 4, 2014 at 9:05 a.m. in Room 205, State House, Providence, Rhode Island pursuant to duly posted public notice of the meeting and notice duly given to all members.

Membership Roll Call:

The Honorable Gina M. Raimondo, General Treasurer and Chair – not present

Mr. Steven Filippi, Public Member

Mr. Thomas M. Bruce, III, Public Member – not present

Stephen Hartford, Director, Department of Administration

Mr. Robert A. Mancini, Public Member – not present

Mr. W. Lincoln Mossop, Public Member – not present

Mr. Edward F. Yazbak, Public Member

Mr. Christopher Feisthamel, Designee for Treasurer Raimondo

The following Staff members were present: Mr. Eugene Bernardo, Esq., Legal Counsel from Partridge Snow & Hahn LLP, and other members of the Treasurer’s Staff. Also present were: Richard Hartley and Kara Lachapelle from the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation (“RIHMFC”) and Charlie Kelley and Noel Simpson from the Rhode Island Student Loan Association (“RISLA”). There being a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

Mr. Feisthamel moved to the first agenda item:

Consideration to approve the Public Finance Management Board Minutes. Mr. Hartford moved; Mr. Filippi seconded a motion. The following motion was passed by these members who voted in favor: Mr. Filippi, Mr. Hartford, Mr. Yazbak, and Mr. Feisthamel.

VOTED: To approve the Minutes of the December 5, 2013 PFMB Regular Meeting.

Mr. Feisthamel moved on to the next agenda item:

Consideration to approve an allocation of volume cap to RISLA. Mr. Yazbak moved; Mr. Hartford seconded a motion. The following motion was passed by these members who voted in favor: Mr. Filippi, Mr. Hartford, Mr. Yazbak, and Mr. Feisthamel.

VOTED: To approve an allocation of volume cap in the amount of \$100,000,000 to the Rhode Island Student Loan Authority (RISLA); and to allow that allocation to be carried forward and that the Board’s legal counsel be directed to file the necessary tax forms with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in connection therewith.

Mr. Feisthamel moved on to the next agenda item:

Consideration to approve an allocation of volume cap to RIHMFC. Mr. Hartford moved; Mr. Yazbak seconded a motion. The following motion was passed by these members who voted in favor: Mr. Filippi, Mr. Hartford, Mr. Yazbak, and Mr. Feisthamel.

VOTED: To approve an allocation of volume cap in the amount of \$196,825,000 to the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation (RIHMFC); and to allow that allocation to be carried forward and that the Board's legal counsel be directed to file the necessary tax forms with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in connection therewith.

Other Business. Mr. Feisthamel opened the floor to other business. There being none, Mr. Feisthamel entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Yazbak moved, Mr. Hartford seconded and the following motion was passed. The following members voted in favor: Mr. Filippi, Mr. Hartford, Mr. Yazbak, and Mr. Feisthamel.

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina M. Raimondo
General Treasurer

Public Finance Management Board

Agenda Request

To: Honorable Chair and Members of the Public Finance Management Board

From: Jeffrey M. Padwa, Chief of Staff/General Counsel

Date: December 3, 2015

Subject: Public Finance Management Board ("PFMB")

Background

The amount of tax exempt private-activity bonds that can be issued during 2015 in Rhode Island is \$301,515,000. Year-to-date, there have been no applications received and therefore no allocations made. The amount of 2015 residual volume cap remaining for carry-forward is \$301,515,000 which includes the unused allocation as of December 1, 2015.

Attached is a review of the volume cap allocations for 2014 and 2015.

Staff Recommendations

- Approval is recommended for 2015 volume cap allocation in the amount of \$60,000,000 to the Rhode Island Student Loan Authority ("RISLA"), and to allow a carry-forward of the same amount (copy of letter requesting residual volume cap attached).
- Approval is recommended for 2015 volume cap allocation in the amount of \$241,515,000 to the Rhode Island Housing Mortgage and Finance Corporation ("RIHMFC"), and to allow a carry-forward of the same amount (copy of letter requesting residual volume cap attached).

Total Rhode Island Cap for 2015: \$301,515,000.

	Recommended Cap Allocation @ 12/03/15	Total 2015 Cap Allocation YTD
PFMB Reserve (a)		\$ 0
Requested at this meeting		
RI Student Loan Authority (b)	\$60,000,000	\$60,000,000
RI Housing Mort & Fin Corp (b)	\$241,515,000	\$241,515,000
Total, if Approved	\$301,515,000	\$301,515,000

(a) Any previous cap allocation if any, unused by December 1, 2015, reverts back to PFMB

(b) Residual volume cap allocated at year-end and carried-forward



RISLA

RHODE ISLAND STUDENT
LOAN AUTHORITY

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November 3, 2015

Seth Magaziner, General Treasurer
Chair, Public Finance Management Board
Office of the General Treasurer
State House, Room 102
Providence, RI 02903

Dear General Treasurer Magaziner:

The Rhode Island Student Loan Authority (RISLA) respectfully requests \$60,000,000 carry forward allocation from the Public Finance Management Board at its December 3 meeting.

RISLA plans to use the allocation to issue tax exempt bonds to help support the Authority's low cost financing and refinancing programs for college students, parents and student loan borrowers.

If you or your staff have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact me at 401-468-1791. Thank you for your past support and help.

Sincerely,



Charles P. Kelley
Executive Director

cc: ✓ Bealanzi
Gene Bernardo, Esq

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November 3, 2015

Mr. Jeff Padwa
Chief of Staff
Office of the General Treasurer
50 Service Ave
Warwick, RI 02886

Mr. Padwa,

Please accept this letter as a formal indication of our interest in receiving any private activity volume cap remaining after the Public Finance Management Board makes its final allocation at its December 3rd meeting. Rhode Island Housing is able to make a carryforward election for any volume cap it receives and it would be our intention to do so with such an allocation. This would be consistent with past practice for residual volume cap.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kara Lachapelle".

Kara Lachapelle
CFO, Director of Finance