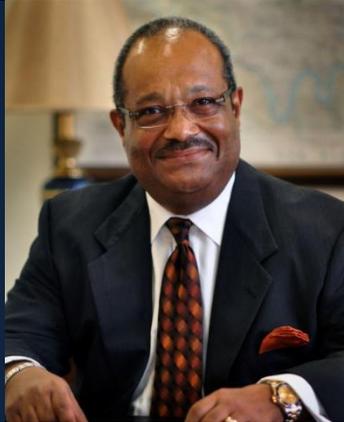


Kelly's Corner

June 14, 2013



Contract Review Board Meetings

I have requested the revitalization of the Senior Management Contract Review Board (SMCRB) as a monthly standing meeting with the Senior Managers. This Board, originally chartered in December 2008, was initially focused on:

1. Reviewing the status of major contract actions
2. Reviewing proposed decisions or courses of action related to those major actions
3. Making recommendations to the ORO Manager as they related to a proposed major contract action
4. Making recommendations to the ORO Manager for policy or procedural enhancements

Over time, the purpose of the meeting expanded into discussions on hot items, emerging issues, status of procurements, EECBG and local grants, and more. Because of the numerous contracting issues related to the reservation, I need the input and prospection of managers to help me make informed contracting decisions. Just as the Secretary wants bad news to flow up, I will use these meetings for all information that needs management attention.

Please bring information you feel is pertinent to the attention of your Assistant Manager, Kevin or me.

DOE Earth Day 2013 Photo Contest

Last week I mentioned that Oak Ridge Office employee, Gary Hartman, was the winner in the Energy Efficiency category in the DOE Earth Day 2013 Photo Contest.

Gary's photo was not included before. Therefore, for your viewing enjoyment, Gary's winning photo is included this week. His photo was taken at the historic water wheel next to the Cade's Cove Grist Mill located inside the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

It's a beautiful picture, congratulations Gary!



Department of Energy Secretarial Memoranda Reviews

The 38 Secretarial Memoranda signed by former Secretary of Energy, Steven Chu, are being reviewed to see if they should be:

1. Codified into a directive
2. Cancelled or
3. Issued annually to meet an external requirement.

The memoranda affect 14 Management Systems (MS) with MS Owners (MSO) recommendations being reviewed by the Associate Deputy Director for Field Operations.

The Directives Review Board will discuss the future of these Secretarial Memoranda.



Office of Science One IT Project

ORO received the first of two new server racks with hardware as part of the One Science consolidation plan for the Data Center to be located in Oak Ridge.

This rack will be the nucleus of the core Information Technology (IT) services for One SC. The racks are powered on and the ITSS team is establishing connectivity with Germantown.

It houses the Active Directory, Exchange, Archive, Good, Print, and File-share servers. It will eventually house a number of Virtual Hosts.



Federal Building Update



This week GSA, as a follow up to their approval last week to let DOE contract and oversee the work above the ceiling tiles at the Federal Building, informed us that they will provide rent concessions as the means to reimburse the Oak Ridge Office for that work. That was the last bit of information we needed in order to get the ball rolling.

The AMA organization and the Procurement and Contracts Division are working very hard to procure the services we need and have made great progress in the last few days. I am very pleased with that progress. I will be able to provide some preliminary information on when the work will start in next week's edition of Kelly's Corner.

“Flaming enthusiasm, backed up by horse sense and persistence, is the quality that most frequently makes for success.”

~Dale Carnegie