Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE)
Federal Audit Executive Council (FAEC)
Meeting Minutes
July 11, 2023
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Attendees:
Abdil Salah, Andrew Berke, Andrew Smith, Andrea Deadwyler, Brent Aronte, Brian Mullins, Bryon Gordon, Carolyn Hantz, Christina Dreyer, Chuck Ward, Cynthia Gray, Daniel Buchtel, Dan Battitori, Debbie Harker, Erica Boyden, Heather Hill, Hruta Virkar, Janet Sorensen, Jason Malmstrom, James Morrison, Joan Mockridge, John Seger, Katherine Trimble, Kathleen Sedney, Karen Scott, Khalid Hassan, Laura Davis, Laura Nicolosi, Leigh Searight, Lori Lau Dillard, Mary Mohiyuddin, Mark Searight, Maureen Duddy, Melinda Perez, Melanie Sorenson, Michael Dell, Michael Esser, Michelle Andersen, Miguel Castillo, Morgan Little, Nina Murphy, Norman Brown, Patti Macini, Parker Skaats, Rebecca Sharek, Richard Ng, Rhonda Turnbow, Rolondo (Nick) Goco, Rosario Torres, Ron Stith, Roxanne Caruso, Ruth Blevins, Sarah Dreyer, Shanon Holman, Shellie Purnell-Brown, Susan Barron, Tamika Davis, Toayoa Aldridge, Terry Gibson and Yarisis Rivera-Rojas.

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- Debbie Harker, Department of the Treasury Office of Inspector General (OIG) and FAEC Chair, gave opening remarks.

- A motion was made and seconded to approve the May 2, 2023 minutes. Minutes were approved.

- Debbie Harker reported that the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), 2023 section 5274 Working Group guide has been finalized and is on CIGIE’s website. CIGIE has received a waiver of individual notification requirements to the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) when OIGs reference FASB standards in relevant non-investigative reports. This waiver covers all CIGIE OIGs and therefore section 5274 notice is not required to be provided to FASB. CIGIE is currently working to obtain a similar waiver from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) as well.

- Debbie Harker reported that the Uniform Guidance comments were provided to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Deidre Harrison and her team at OMB are reviewing the comments.

- Debbie Harker provided updates from the May 30, 2023 Audit Committee meeting. Kelly McFadden, Chair of the FAEC Financial Statement Group, facilitated the GAO/CIGIE Financial Statement Conference held in May. Registration had hit capacity with 950
The conference offered 8 CPEs, and had 19 different speakers. The FAEC Information Technology (IT) Committee worked with the CIGIE Legislative Affairs Committee and Congress on changes to the Federal Information Security Modernization Act (FISMA). The key changes discussed included the frequency of required penetration testing as well as a requirement for CIGIE to create a dashboard of FISMA recommendations.

- Debbie Harker thanked Bruce Miller, Army Audit, for volunteering for the Vice-Chair position of FAEC.

- Devin Polster, Department of Homeland Security OIG and Chair of the Quality Management Committee (QMC) was not present during this meeting to provide an update for the QMC but will do so at our next meeting.

- Shellie Purnell-Brown, Chair of the FAEC Annual Conference Committee, provided an update. Ms. Purnell-Brown provided an overview of the different topic areas that the committee is considering for the annual conference in February 2024. Khalid Hasan, Chair of the FAEC IT Committee, noted that the FAEC IT Committee can provide more information on the Zero Trust topic area. Erica Boyden, Architect of the Capitol (AOC) OIG, noted that the Audit Committee’s Monetary Impact Working Group would also be a good group to present at the conference.

- Terry Gibson, FDIC OIG provided an update on the FAEC Cross-Cutting Committee. The Cross-Cutting Committee is required by charter to develop plans to identify problems across programs with interagency audits. Eight different OIGs are represented on the Committee. The Committee has met several times to discuss high impact areas in the community. The Committee is looking into a capping type of report on cloud computing. CIGIE last reported in 2014 on cloud computing. Many OIGs are currently using contractors on this type of work. The Committee will be soliciting for other cross-cutting topic ideas in the future. Erica Boyden, AOC OIG, raised the issue of trying to hire 0511 resources as a possible idea for the Committee.

- Andrew Smith provided an update on the FAEC Training Committee. Mr. Smith noted that the Committee’s survey found that the OIG community wanted to bring back the 40 hour New Auditor and Intermediate Auditor courses. The CIGIE Audit Academy will be working to put this in place. The Training Committee will work with the Academy on this endeavor. In addition, Mr. Smith reported that the FAEC Annual Conference Committee members attended the last Training Committee meeting and presented the ideas for the FAEC Annual Conference planned for February 2024.

- The next Audit Committee meeting will be July 25th at 2pm

- The Annual FAEC Contracting Conference will be held November 8th and 9th.
• The next FAEC meeting will be September 12th at 11am.

• The meeting was adjourned.