

Note: a public meeting was scheduled for Friday, March 11, 2005 **beginning at 10:00 a.m.** (special time was set because Lou and Tom had already committed to attend (later) meetings about the Downtown St. Patrick's Day Parade which was occurring the next day; Dave and Basil had to go to some transportation industry meeting already scheduled for today (about collective bargaining with their mechanics, I think they said) so these 4 men specifically had asked for a 10:00 a.m. start time when the date/time were chosen at the February 18 meeting.

We prepared an Agenda, the whole shebang of handouts etc. I had already set up the dais and was in the room at the side table waiting for the meeting to start, when Mike Tully strode in and announced "Sorry, everyone, but **we are canceling the public meeting** and going directly into an Executive Session."

I gathered up my papers, picked up all the folders and the tent cards off the main table, and we all went en masse back to the g/o, which I didn't understand because we could more easily have dismissed the attendees and stayed where we were; to move the Exec Session back to the g/o displaces all the Agents who can't do anything because they have no access to their phones, computers, etc. the whole time we camp out in their office.

So, there *was* a very hurried Executive Session and those Commissioners in attendance agreed that they should **set up an 'emergency board meeting on Monday, March 14;** Larry Satz arranged for it to be at MAC West. That session's proceedings (which lasted two-and-a-half hours) are all detailed in a separate, *confidential* document entitled "Executive Session of March 14, 2005."

The NCAA Final Four is happening April 2-4, which is a huge deal; and the continuing wrangle at the Airport (we lost the lawsuit; the strong rumor is, it's going to concession, etc.) is the big reason we are focusing on little else – there are deadlines by which Patrick has to respond to the Feb. 25 ruling ... appeal, vacate the judgment, etc, and that is why the emergency meeting was convened.