

441—160.10(234) Appeals. Applicants dissatisfied with the grant review committee's decision may file an appeal with the director. The written appeal must be received within ten working days of the date of the notice of decision; must be based on a contention that the process was conducted outside of statutory authority, violated state or federal law, policy or rules, did not provide adequate public notice, was altered without adequate public notice, or involved conflict of interest by staff or committee members; and must include a request for the director to review the decision and the reasons for dissatisfaction. Within ten working days of receipt of the appeal the director will review the appeal request and issue a final decision. No disbursements will be made to any applicant for a period of ten calendar days following the notice of decision. If an appeal is filed within ten days, all disbursements will be held pending a final decision on the appeal. All applicants involved will be notified if an appeal is filed and given the opportunity to be included as a party in the appeal.