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IOWA ETHICS AND CAMPAIGN DISCLOSURE BOARD

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Board Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2022, 1:00 p.m.

PERB Conference Room

510 East 12th Street, Suite 1B

Des Moines, Iowa 50319

CALL TO ORDER

Roll call - Present are James Alberg, Elaine Olson, Jonathon Roos, Daniel Jessop, Mary Rueter, Leah Rodenberg via Zoom. Also present are Zach Goodrich, Marie Spilman and Nancy Wood. Meeting begins at 1:05 pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mary Rueter to approve the November 3, 2022, minutes. Second by Elaine Olson. All ayes, motion carries.

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Campaign season is over. Our office had a higher volume of work this year than in 2020 And 2018. Staff have worked extremely hard and we've gotten great feedback from the public regarding our customer service.

Policy outlining investigations is being created

Auditors completed over 1200 audits (and counting) in 2022

Recent public appearances on behalf of the board: Drake Law School, Iowa Municipal Finance Officer Association, Iowa Insurance Division, Association of Government Accountants.

Invited to speak to the Iowa State Association of Counties in January

Looking ahead to 2023: administrative rule revisions, new public facing website, new YouTube channel with training videos, more community outreach across the state, continued WRS fixes and enhancements

COMPLAINTS

FC 2022-01 (Mel Schwiesow/Dave Huebner, et al.)

Motion by Mary Rueter to assess a reprimand with a civility penalty of \$100. Second by Jonathan Roos. All ayes, motion carries.

FC 2022-07, FC 2022-10 (Adam Hoffman/Angela Burrows)
Motion by Dan Jessop to assess a reprimand with a civil penalty of \$100. Second by Jonathan Roos. All ayes, motion carries.

FC 2022-09 (Mari Beth Stearns/Jon Thorup)
Motion by Mary Rueter to dismiss due to lack of legal sufficiency. Second by Dan Jessop. All ayes, motion carries.

FC 2022-15 (MacKenzie Dreeszen Rutter/Esperance Hope Ikora)
Motion by Mary Rueter to assess a reprimand with a penalty of \$50. Second by Dan Jessop. All ayes, motion carries.

FC 2022-17 (CONFIDENTIAL/Mikel Derby)
Motion by Leah Rodenberg to dismiss due to lack of legal sufficiency. Second by Jonathan Roos. All ayes, motion carries.

FC 2022-18 (John Butler/Pella Area Community & Economic Alliance)
Motion by Dan Jessop to dismiss due to lack of legal sufficiency. Second by Mary Rueter. All ayes, motion carries.

FC 2022-19 (Kimberly Karol/Derek Wulf)
Motion by Elaine Olson that since this is out of the Board's jurisdiction the complaint will be dismissed for lack of legal sufficiency. Second by Jonathan Roos. All ayes, motion carries.

FC 2022-20 (Adam Wedmore/Lori Ginapp)
Motion by Elaine Olson to table the complaint until the next Board meeting. Second by Dan Jessop. All ayes, motion carries.

FC 2022-21 (Darla Chappell/Matt Robinson)
Motion by Dan Jessop to admonish. Second by Jonathan Roos. All ayes, motion carries.

FC 2022-22 (Tim Beck/Kathleen Figaro)
Motion by Leah Rodenberg to dismiss for lack of legal sufficiency. Second by Dan Jessop. All ayes, motion carries.

FC 2022-23 (Karin Derry/Eddie Andrews)
Motion by Dan Jessop to accept for legal sufficiency and to investigate. Second by Elaine Olson. All ayes, motion carries.

PETITIONS FOR WAIVER OF CIVIL PENALTIES

PW 2022-18 (Iowa Trail and Bike PAC) UPHELD
PW 2022-19 (Steamfitters and Plumbers L.U. 464 COPE Fund) UPHELD
PW 2022-20 (American Health Care Association PAC) UPHELD
PW 2022-21 (Citizens for John Norwood) WAIVED
PW 2022-22 (Nin Flagel for Supervisor) UPHELD
PW 2022-23 (Miller for Secretary of State) UPHELD
PW 2022-24 (United Food & Commercial Worker Iowa Active Ballot Club)
PW 2022-25 (Tim Lecander for Iowa) UPHELD UPHELD

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PW 2022-26 (Friends of Sandy Salmon) WAIVED

Motion by Mary Rueter to review all penalty waivers as a consent agenda, with one correction to PW 2022-25 (Tim Lecander for Iowa) correcting the penalty to \$20. Second by Jonathan Roos. All ayes, motion carries.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

Motion by Dan Jessop to approve pre-filing legislation to ban pre-checked boxes for recurring campaign contributions. Second by Elaine Olson. All ayes, motion carries.

LOBBYIST AUTHORIZATION

Vote to authorize the following individuals to serve as lobbyists for the Board during the 2023 legislative session

- i. James Albert, Chair
- ii. Zach Goodrich, Director and Counsel
- iii. Jason Hacker, Lead Auditor

Motion by Leah Rodenberg to approve the above named individuals to serve as lobbyists for the Board during the 2023 legislative session.

CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to Iowa Code section 21.5(1)(i) and at his request, the Board may enter into closed session to evaluate the performance of Director Goodrich.

Motion by Mary Rueter to move to closed session at 2:05 pm to review and evaluate the performance of Director Goodrich. Second by Jonathan Roos. Roll call was made with all ayes, motion carries.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Chairman Albert takes roll call at 2:45 pm – Elaine Olson, Mary Rueter, Jonathan Roos, Dan Jessop, James Albert and Leah Rodenberg via zoom are present.

A discussion in closed session was had, concerning the performance and compensation of Executive Director Goodrich.

Motion by Leah Rodenberg to increase Executive Director Goodrich's salary to the maximum of \$97,460 effective immediately. Second by Mary Rueter. All ayes, motion carries.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn by Dan Jessop to adjourn the meeting at 3:05 pm. Second by Jonathan Roos. All ayes, motion carries.

Respectfully submitted by,

Nancy Wood

Nancy Wood, Executive Secretary
Approved 4/6/2023