

MILWAUKEE COUNTY ETHICS BOARD

Thursday, November 12, 2020, Ethics Board Meeting Minutes

1.0 Call to Order and Roll Call

Board Chair Christopher Meuler called to order a meeting of the Ethics Board at 3:08 p.m. on November 12, 2020. The meeting was held telephonically.

The Ethics Board Executive Director, Adam Gilmore, conducted a roll call. The following Board Members were present: Christopher Meuler, Christian Flores, Dana Guthrie, Clarence Nicholas, Christine Hansen and Rachel Yates.

2.0 Welcome Rachel Yates to the Ethics Board

Boar Chair Christopher Meuler welcomed Ms. Yates to the Ethics Board.

3.0 Approval of the Minutes for the Meeting of August 6 and September 18, 2020

Ms. Guthrie moved, Mr. Nicholas seconded, and the Board voted 5-0, to approve the minutes from the meeting of August 6 and September 18, 2020. Ms. Yates abstained as she was not present at either meeting.

4.0 2021 Schedule

The following dates were agreed upon by the Board:

February 4th, May 6th, August 5th and November 4th, 2021

Ms. Hanson moved, Ms. Yates seconded, and the Board voted (6-0) to approve the 2021 Ethics Board meeting schedule.

5.0 Report of the Executive Director

Adam Gilmore, Executive Director, and the Board discussed the Quarterly Lobbying Report from the Office of the County Clerk and explained the annual Statement of Economic Interests process.

5.1 2020 3rd Quarter Lobbying Report from County Clerk, George Christenson

This item was informational only. There was no action taken by the Board.

5.2 2021 SEI Drive

Mr. Gilmore explained, for the new Board Members, the annual Statement f Economic Interests process. The Board Members were able to go through the

documents that are sent to County employees. Mr. Gilmore also explained the precautions that will be taken by the Ethics Board staff to allow employees to have their SEI affidavits notarized by the staff.

6.0 Closed Session

At 3:25 p.m., Ms. Hansen moved, Mr. Flores seconded, and the Board voted 6-0 to go into closed session.

19.85 (1) (g) The Board may confer with legal counsel concerning litigation strategy.

19.85(1) (h) The Board's deliberations on requests for advice under the ethics code shall be in closed session.

At 3:54 p.m., Ms. Yates left the meeting.

At 3:56 p.m., after discussion in closed session, Mr. Flores moved, Mr. Nicholas seconded, and the Board voted 5-0 to reconvene in open session.

7.0 Adjournment

Ms. Guthrie moved, Ms. Hansen seconded, and the Board adjourned the meeting at 3:58 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Alisha Terry
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