# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE ETHICS COMMISSION STATE OF OKLAHOMA HELD FEBRUARY 12, 2016

Call to Order

Upon notice with agenda being properly posted at the Commission office at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the commencement of the meeting and notice being filed at least 48 hours in advance with the Office of the Secretary of State, a regular meeting of the Ethics Commission of the State of Oklahoma ["Commission"] was called to order on Friday, February 12, 2016, at 10:02 a.m. Chair Cathy Stocker, ["Stocker"] opened the meeting, which was held in Room 206, State Capitol Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Determination of Quorum

Roll was called to determine the existence of a quorum for the transaction of business. Commissioners answering present were: Jo Pettigrew ["Pettigrew"], John Hawkins ["Hawkins"], and Stocker. A quorum of members was declared.

Staff & Visitors

Commission staff members present at all or part of the meeting were Lee Slater ["Slater"], Ashley Kemp ["Kemp"], Geoffrey Long ["Long"], Stephanie Black ["Black"], and Roberta Hale ["Hale"].

Observing all or part of the meeting: Shawn Ashley, ECapitol News; Kalem Taylor, Senate staff; Caroline Dennis, Senate staff; and Mark Thomas, OK Press Association.

Introductions and Announcements

None

Consideration, discussion and possible action on minutes for public hearing, regular meeting and executive session held December 11, 2015.

Pettigrew moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting and executive session minutes as presented held on December 11, 2015.

Hawkins seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Pettigrew – yes, Hawkins – yes, Stocker – yes.

## Motion carried.

Discussion of Agency Expenditures for the month of December 1, 2015, through January 31, 2016.

Hawkins asked for clarification for the section total remaining other funds. Deputy Director Kemp provided clarification.

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Executive Director's Report General Counsel's Report

Report was provided by Slater. Report was provided by Counsel Long.

Consideration, Discussion and Proposed Action on Closed/Executive Session

Statement by Attorney is listed as Agenda Item 11 (a).

Pettigrew moved to go into Closed/Executive session. Hawkins seconded. Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Pettigrew – yes, Hawkins – yes, Stocker – yes.

Motion carried to go into Executive/Closed session at 10:38 a.m.

Executive session was held in the Conference Room located within the Ethics Commission office in the Capitol basement, Rm. B-5.

Possible Action to Return to Open Session

Pettigrew moved to reconvene in open session at 11:57 a.m. Hawkins seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Pettigrew – yes, Hawkins – yes, Stocker – yes.

### Motion carried

Consideration, discussion and possible action on items considered in executive session.

Hawkins made the following motion:

Madam Chair, I move to open a formal investigation on Complaint C-16-01 for alleged violations of campaign finance Ethics Rule 257:10-1-20 and authorize the Director to provide notice.

Pettigrew seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Hawkins – yes, Pettigrew – yes, Stocker – yes.

#### Motion carried.

**New Business** 

No new business.

Adjournment

Hawkins moved to adjourn. Pettigrew seconded. Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Hawkins – yes, Pettigrew – yes, Stocker – yes.

### Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 11:59 a.m.

LEE SLATER, Executive Director

Approved on Behalf of the Commission:

CATHY STOCKER, Chair