

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING
OF THE ETHICS COMMISSION
STATE OF OKLAHOMA
HELD SEPTEMBER 9, 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 and public hearing of the Ethics Commission of the State of Oklahoma ("Commission") was called to order on Friday, September 9, 2016, at 10:04 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: Chair Cathy Stocker, Vice Chair John Hawkins ["Hawkins"], and Holly Easterling ["Easterling"]. A quorum of members was declared.

Staff & Visitors

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

Observing all or part of the meeting: Joel Dean, Journal Record; Denise Lawson, Attorney; Shawn Ashley, ECapitol News; Barbara Hoberock, Tulsa World; Pam Pollard, Oklahoma Republican Party; Caroline Dennis, Senate Staff; Glenn Coffee, Attorney.

Introductions and Announcements

None.

Consideration of Amendment
2017-01, amending Rule 2 of the
Constitutional Ethics Rules.

Explanation of Amendment by Ashley Kemp.

Comments by Commissioner Hawkins.

Comments and questions by Commissioners.

Public comment by Pam Pollard.

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Discussion and possible action on Amendment 2017-01 of the Constitutional Ethics Rules.

Commissioner Long commented.

Hawkins made the following motion: Moved to adopt Amendment 2017-01 of the Constitutional Ethics Commission.

Long seconded.

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

Motion carried.

Consideration of Amendment 2017-02, amending Rule 2 of the Constitutional Ethics Rules.

Explanation of Amendment 2017-02 by Director Kemp.

Comments by Commissioner Pettigrew.

Comments and questions by Commissioners.

Discussion and possible action on Amendment 2017-02 of the Constitutional Ethics Rules.

No Motion.

Introduction and discussion of Rule Amendments 2017-03 and 2017-04.

Ashley Kemp introduced and discussed.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on minutes for regular meeting and public hearing and executive sessions held August 12, 2016.

Hawkins moved to approve the regular meeting, public hearing and executive session minutes as presented, held August 12, 2016.

Easterling seconded.

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

Motion carried.

Discussion of agency expenditures for August 1 through August 31, 2016.

No discussion.

Executive Director's Report

Report was provided by Ashley Kemp on the Capitol Renovation project, Continuing Education Programs, CLE Outreach at the University of Oklahoma, and the Software update.

General Counsel's Report

No Report.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on Closed/Executive session.

Long moved to go into Closed/Executive session.

Hawkins seconded.

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

Motion was carried to go into Executive/Closed session at 11:38 a.m.

Executive session was held in the Conference Room located within the Ethics Commission office in the Capitol basement, Rm. B5.

Possible Action to return to Open Session

Long moved to reconvene in Open Session at 12:08 p.m.

Pettigrew seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was follows: Long- yes, Pettigrew – Yes, Stocker – yes, Hawkins – yes, Easterling – yes.

Motion carried.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on items considered in Executive Session.

No Motion.

New Business

No new business.

Adjournment

Long moved to adjourn.

Easterling seconded.

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

Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 12:10 p.m.



ASHLEY KEMP, Executive Director

Approved on Behalf of the Commission:



CATHY STOCKER, Chair