

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING  
OF THE ETHICS COMMISSION  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
HELD OCTOBER 10, 2014

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 public hearing of the Ethics Commission of the State of Oklahoma ["Commission"] was called to order on Friday, October 10, 2014, at 10:03 a.m. Chair Cathy Stocker ["Stocker"] opened the meeting, which was held in Room 432A, 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: Stocker, Thomas Walker ["Walker"], M. Robert McKinney ["McKinney"], Jo Pettigrew ["Pettigrew"], and Karen Long ["Long"]. A quorum of members was declared.

Staff & Visitors                    Commission staff members present were Lee Slater ["Slater"], Ashley Kemp ["Kemp"], Geoffrey Long ["Long"], and Pamela Williams ["Williams"].

   Observing all or part of the meeting: Denise Davick, Attorney; Caroline Dennis, Senate staff; Barbara Hoberock, Tulsa World; Shawn Ashley, E Capitol News, Emily Summers, Journal Record; Heidi Tittle, OU Student; Elisabeth Rangle, OU Student; and Chris Bruehl, Governor's Office.

Introductions & Announcements                    Director Slater has a Special Introduction. OEC staff just completed three informal hearings. 24 people in attendance in Claremore, 28 people in attendance in Stillwater and 27 people in attendance in Norman. Director Slater contacted Chris Bruehl in the Governor's Office and asked him to invite members of Boards and Commissions. We had a good representation from the Boards and Commissions. Director Slater thanked Mr. Bruehl for his efforts on behalf of the Commission.

Consideration of Amendment 2015-01.                    Director Slater read the revision to Amendment 2015-01 as presented by Commissioner Long's proposed motion. Copies of the revised Amendment 2015-01 are available.

   Language was inserted to address registration fees beginning on July 1, 2015, not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), for legislative liaisons, legislative lobbyists, executive lobbyists, lobbyist principals, political party committees, political action committees or candidate committees.

Beginning on July 1, 2015, the Commission shall publish on its website a list of any late filing fees that may be assessed. Fees shall not exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per day for a maximum of ten days. No fee shall exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per violation.

Commissioner Long made a Motion to amend the Amendment 2015-01 as stated by Director Slater. McKinney seconded. Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Long – yes, McKinney – yes, Walker – yes, Pettigrew – yes, Stocker – yes. **Motion carried.**

Director Slater mentioned the Commission staff had contacted Mr. Neal Leader at the Attorney General's office. Mr. Leader has advised us that we can do the items that are contained in Amendment 2015-01 as just amended.

Summary:

1. Permits the Executive Director to establish and collect for training and education seminars, classes, etc.
2. Permits the Commission to establish registration and administration fees for legislative liaisons, legislative lobbyists, executive lobbyists, lobbyist principals, political party committees, political action committees or candidate committees. Fee is capped at no more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per year.
3. Permits the Commission to set late filing fees and allows the Executive Director to set other compliance fees. Late filing fees are capped at One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per Day for a maximum of ten days.
4. Provides for an administrative hearing. The administrative hearing order would become a Final Order or if no administrative hearing is held, the Executive Director's Order would become a Final Order. Order would be appealable to District Court.

No public comments were made.  
No questions for Commissioners and OEC staff.

Discussion and Possible  
Action on Amendment  
2015-01 of the  
Constitutional Ethics  
Rules

Commissioner Long made a Motion to adopt Amendment 2015-01. Walker seconded. Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Long – yes, Walker – yes, McKinney – yes, Pettigrew – yes, Stocker – yes. **Motion carried.**

Adjournment

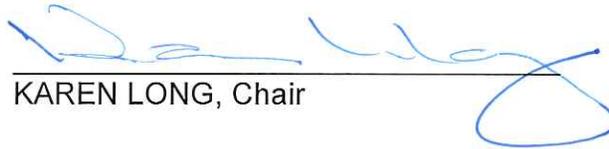
Public hearing was adjourned at 10:16 a.m.



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LEE SLATER, Executive Director

Approved on Behalf of the Commission:

  
KAREN LONG, Chair