

Minutes of Regular Meeting held November 18, 2016

Consideration of Amendment 2017-05, amending Rule 5 of the Constitutional Ethics Rules

Explanation of Amendment 2017-05 by Executive Director Kemp

Comments by Chair Pettigrew.

Comments by Commissioner Long. None.

Public comment. Gary Huddleston, a legislative and executive lobbyist, made comments.

Comments and questions by Commissioners. Commissioner Easterling and Chair Pettigrew made comments.

Public comment. Denise Lawson, attorney, made comments.

Comments and questions by Commissioners. Chair Pettigrew made comments.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on minutes for regular meeting, public hearing and executive sessions held on October 14, 2016.

Commissioner Long moved to approve the regular meeting, public hearing and executive session minutes, subject to the change of Chair Pettigrew's sister's name spelling, held on October 14, 2016.

Commissioner Easterling seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Long – yes, Easterling - yes and Pettigrew – yes

Motion carried.

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

No discussion.

Executive Director's Report.

Report was provided by Executive Director Kemp on the Capitol Renovation project, Continuing Education Programs, Compliance update, Software update and COGEL Conference.

General Counsel's Report

Recent developments in ethics law by General Counsel Long.

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

Commissioner Long moved to go into Closed/Executive session.

Commissioner Easterling seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Long – yes, Easterling - yes and Pettigrew – yes

Motion was carried to go into Executive/Closed session at 10:51 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

Commissioner Long moved to reconvene in Open Session at 11:34 a.m.

Commissioner Easterling seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Long – yes, Easterling - yes and Pettigrew – yes

Motion carried.

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

Commissioner Long moved to open a formal investigation into Complaint C-16-07.

Commissioner Easterling seconded.

No discussion on motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Long – yes, Easterling - yes and Pettigrew – yes

Motion carried.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on 2017 meeting dates.

Explanation of 2017 calendar dates by Executive Director Kemp.

Commissioner Easterling moved to approve the 2017 calendar dates as proposed.

Commissioner Long seconded.

No discussion on motion.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Easterling - yes, Long - yes and Pettigrew – yes

Motion carried.

New Business

None

Adjournment

Commissioner Long moved to adjourn.

Commissioner Easterling seconded.

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

Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 11:39 a.m.



ASHLEY KEMP, Executive Director

Approved on Behalf of the Commission:


JO PETTIGREW, Chair