MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE ETHICS COMMISSION STATE OF OKLAHOMA HELD FEBRUARY 14, 2020

Call to Order.

Upon notice, with the 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 forty-eight (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 14, 2020, at 10:04 a.m. Chair Holly Johnson ["Johnson"] opened the meeting, which was held in Room 511A of the 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: Holly Johnson ["Johnson"], Cathy Stocker ["Stocker"], Gregg Engle ["Engle"], and Jarred Brejcha ["Brejcha"]. A quorum of members was declared. Commissioner Laster was absent.

Staff & Visitors.

Commission staff members present at all or part of the meeting were Stephanie McCord ["McCord"] and Ariel Koerner ["Koerner"].

Observing all or part of the meeting: Christina Oden, LegisOK; Jim Dunlap, Lobbyist; Caroline Dennis, Glenn Coffee & Associates; Denise Lawson, Attorney; Shauna Peters, OKSPA; Alexandra Adkins, Liaison; Arnella Karges, Senate; Lynn Howell, Common Cause; AJ Ferate, Attorney.

Open Meeting Act Compliance.

Chair Johnson reviewed the affidavit of posting and announced the agenda was in compliance with Open Meetings Act.

Introductions and Announcements.

Chair Johnson announced that the Executive Director is out with the flu and accordingly there will be some changes to the agenda. For today's meeting, the agenda items will be limited to 4, 5, 6 and 14. All other matters will be carried over to the meeting on March 13, 2020.

Public Hearing. Public hearing for Advisory Opinion Request, AOR-2019-02, requested by Senator Nathan Dahm regarding cryptocurrency, virtual currency, and digital currency as contributions to candidate committees under the Ethics Rules.

Moved to later in the meeting.

Consideration, discussion, and possible Moved to later in the meeting. action on minutes for the regular meeting and executive session held January 10, 2020.

Consideration, discussion, and possible action on request for waivers of Ethics Rule 5, Lobbyist Registration and Reporting, based upon a preexisting relationship pursuant to Rule 5.25.

General Counsel McCord explained waiver requests W-20-01 and W-20-02. Alexandra Adkins, Assistant Attorney General/Legislative Liaison, addressed the Commission with the reasons for the waiver requests.

Commissioner Brejcha moved to grant waiver request W-20-01 based upon a finding that the purposes of the Rules will not be impeded or hindered by the waiver.

Commissioner Stocker seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Brejcha - yes, Stocker - yes, Johnson - yes, Engle - yes.

Motion carried.

Commissioner Breicha moved to grant waiver request W-20-02 based upon a finding that the purposes of the Rules will not be impeded or hindered by the waiver.

Commissioner Stocker seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Brejcha - yes, Stocker - yes, Johnson - yes, Engle - yes.

Motion carried.

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Explanation of Draft(s) and/or Commission Comment(s) published on the Commission's website to AOR-2019-02 by General Counsel McCord.

Public Comments, None.

Consideration and discussion by Commissioners and staff. Discussion by Johnson, Brejcha, and General Counsel McCord.

Consideration, discussion, and possible action on minutes for the regular meeting and executive session held January 10, 2020.

Commissioner Stocker moved to approve the minutes for the regular meeting and executive session held January 10, 2020.

Commissioner Engle seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Stocker - yes, Engle - yes, Johnson - yes, Brejcha - yes.

Motion carried.

Adjournment.

Commissioner Stocker moved to adjourn.

Commissioner Brejcha seconded.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Stocker - yes, Brejcha - yes, Johnson - yes, Engle - yes.

Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 10:29 a.m.

ASHLEY KEMP, Executive Director

Approved on Behalf of the Commission:

CHARLIE LASTER, Chair