

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING  
OF THE ETHICS COMMISSION  
STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
HELD JUNE 9, 2017

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 forty-eight (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, June 9, 2017, at 10:01 a.m. Chair Jo Pettigrew ["Pettigrew"], 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: Chair Jo Pettigrew ["Pettigrew"], Vice Chair John Hawkins ["Hawkins"], Commissioner Cathy Stocker ["Stocker"], Commissioner Karen Long ["Long"] and Commissioner 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"], Jan Preslar ["Preslar"], Stephanie Black ["Black"], and Darci McKee ["McKee"].

Observing all or part of the meeting: Glenn Coffee, Attorney; James Joseph, State Bond Advisor; Tres Savage, Media; Sharon Caldwell, Consultant; Pam Pollard, Republican Party Chair and Terry Bechtold, Oklahoma Republican Party.

Introductions and Announcements

Introduction and Announcements by Executive Director Kemp.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on minutes for the meeting, hearing, and executive session held May 12, 2017.

Commissioner Stocker moved to approve the regular meeting, public hearing and executive session minutes, held May 12, 2017.

Commissioner Long seconded.

Discussion or comments by Commissioners. None.

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

**Motion carried.**

Discussion of agency expenditures for May 1 through May 31, 2017.

Explanation of expenditures by Executive Director Kemp.

Minutes of Regular Meeting held June 9, 2017

Hearing on Advisory Opinion Request Explanation of draft opinions by General Counsel Preslar.  
AOR-2017-01, request from James  
C. Joseph, Oklahoma State Bond  
Advisor, regarding Conflicts of  
Interest Rule 4 as applied to a  
member of the Council of Bond  
Oversight's ability to purchase bonds  
from a state governmental entity's  
bond issue.

Comments and questions by Commissioners. None.

Public comment, including any written comment. One written comment from an Assistant Attorney General. Comments from James C. Joseph, Oklahoma State Bond Advisor.

Comments and questions by Commissioners and staff. Comments from Vice Chair Hawkins.

Discussion and possible action on  
AOR-2017-01.

Vice Chair Hawkins moved to adopt Draft C as the official advisory opinion of the Ethics Commission in response to request AOR-2017-01 and to direct the executive director to finalize and publish the advisory opinion.

Commissioner Easterling seconded.

Discussion or comments by Commissioners. None.

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

**Motion carried.**

Hearing on Advisory Opinion Request Explanation of draft opinions by General Counsel Preslar.  
AOR-2017-02, request from Sharon  
Caldwell, at CMA Strategies,  
regarding Campaign Finance Rule 2  
as applied to the requirement for a  
year to be included as part of the  
name on re-usable campaign  
materials.

Comments and questions by Commissioners. Comments from Commissioner Stocker and Commissioner Long.

Public comment, including any written comment. Sharon Caldwell, CMA Strategies; Glenn Coffee, Attorney; and Pam Pollard, Republican Party State Chairman commented.

Comments and questions by Commissioners and staff. Commissioner Long and Commissioner Pettigrew commented.

Discussion and possible action on AOR-2017-02.

Commissioner Long moved to adopt Draft A as the official advisory opinion of the Ethics Commission in response to request AOR-2017-02 and to direct the executive director to finalize and publish the advisory opinion.

Commissioner Stocker seconded.

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

**Motion carried.**

Executive Director's Report.

Report was provided by Executive Director Kemp on Agency News, Continuing Education Programs and Budget.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on schedule for registration and administration fees for legislative liaisons, legislative lobbyists, executive lobbyists, lobbyist principals, political party committees, political action committees and candidate committees effective July 1, 2017.

Discussion or comments by Commissioners. Commissioner Hawkins, Commissioner Easterling, and Commissioner Pettigrew commented.

Commissioner Long moved to approve a \$50.00 fee increase across the board.

Commissioner Easterling seconded.

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

**Motion carried.**

General Counsel's Report

Recent developments in ethics law by General Counsel Preslar. None.

Consideration, discussion and possible action on Closed/Executive session

Commissioner Long moved to go into Closed/Executive session.

Commissioner Stocker seconded.

Discussion or comments by commissioners. None.

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

**Motion was carried to go into Executive/Closed session at 11:36 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 12:50 p.m.**

Vice Chair Hawkins seconded.

Discussion or comments by Commissioners. None

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

**Motion carried.**

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

Commissioner Long moved for the dismissal of Case No. 2016-04.

Commissioner Stocker seconded.

Discussion or comments by Commissioners. None.

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

**Motion carried.**

Commissioner Stocker moved for the dismissal of Case No. 2017-04.

Commissioner Easterling seconded.

Discussion or comments by Commissioners. None.

Roll was called and the vote was as follows: Stocker - yes, Easterling - yes, Pettigrew - yes, Hawkins - yes, Long - no.

**Motion carried.**

Commissioner Long moved for the dismissal of Case No. 2017-06.

Vice Chair Hawkins seconded.

Discussion or comments by Commissioners. None

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

**Motion carried.**

Commissioner Long moved to authorize an investigation on Case C-17-09.

Commissioner Stocker seconded.

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

**Motion carried.**

New Business

None

Adjournment

Vice Chair Hawkins moved to adjourn.

Commissioner Stocker seconded.

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

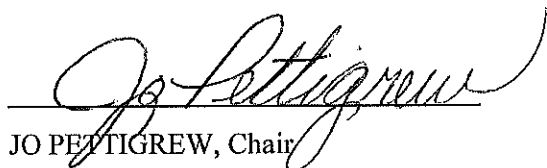
**Motion carried.**

Meeting ended at 12:57 p.m.



ASHLEY KEMP, Executive Director

Approved on Behalf of the Commission:



JO PETTIGREW, Chair