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Meeting Minutes ETHICS BOARD

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Devon Turner, Patricia Hintz, Annie Wacker, Joanne Barndt, and Robert Shelledy

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Wednesday, November 18, 2009

9:00 AM

Room B-1, City Hall

Meeting convened: 9:09 A.M.

Present: 5 - Ellis, Hintz, Wacker, Barndt, Shelledy

Excused: 2 - Turner, Toran

1. Roll call and approval of the minutes from the October 21, 2009 meeting.

Ms. Barndt moved, seconded by Mr. Shelledy, for approval of the minutes. There were no objections.

2. The Board may convene into closed session to hear disciplinary matters and related information pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(b) and/or (f), Wis. Stats., and to consider and render confidential advice pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(h), Wis. Stats.

There were no matters for closed session.

3. The Board may then convene into open session as authorized by s. 19.85(2), Wis. Stats.

4. Report from research assistant relative to office activities of the previous month.

Ms. Devereaux reported that Mr. Shelledy's assistant reviewed the statement of economic interests and made a number of excellent suggestions. The Dept. of Employee Relations will be providing labels for the 2009 mailing of the statement of economic interests while the City Clerk's Office has already done so.

5. Update on returns of the 2008 Statement of Economic Interest forms and late filling fees; Consider appropriate Board action in individual cases.

There are four individuals who failed to file statements - three of them did not appear in and were issued a \$361 judgement. The one individual who did appear stated that

she had not filed the statement. Mr. Ehrlich, from the City Attorney's Office, noted that the judgement will be reduced for the three individuals who have now filed their statements.

6. Update on possible changes to the Positions Ordinance regarding the "Y" footnote relative to department head responses.

This matter has not yet been heard by the Finance and Personnel Committee, but Ms. Devereaux will be notified when it is scheduled.

7. View draft of the annual Statement of Economic Interests form and instructions.

The Board amended and approved the draft statement and instructions.

8. View draft of the Statement of Economic Interest form and instructions for nominees, newly employed and newly appointed persons.

The Board amended and approved the draft statement and instructions.

9. View draft of the payroll stuffer brochure.

The Board reviewed and approved the payroll stuffer, which will be distributed to all city employees and board/commission members.

10. Discuss possible revisions to the Ethics Board Rules and Procedures.

The Board reviewed and approved the November 17, 2009 draft. Mr. Shelledy moved, seconded by Ms. Wacker, to amend, file with the City Clerk and notify affected officials, of the new Rules and Procedures.

11. Update on the 2010 budget and discussion on contract and compensation for the Ethics Research Assistant.

The proposed Ethics Board budget was approved without any changes. Ms. Wacker moved, seconded by Mr. Shelledy, for a proposed salary increase to \$30,745 for the Research Assistant. There were no objections.

12. Review newly-filed Statement of Economic Interest Forms for clarity and completeness.

The Board reviewed and approved the forms of Charles Coleman, Jeffery Johnson and Gladys Gonzalez. The Board will be returning the form of Bruce Johnson due to its lack of a listing of individual stocks in his portfolio.

13. Set next meeting date(s).

December 16th at 9 a.m.

*Meeting adjourned: 10:05 A.M.
Linda M. Elmer
Staff Assistant*