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Meeting Minutes ETHICS BOARD

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Wednesday, April 22, 2009

9:00 AM

Room 301-G, City Hall

Meeting convened: 9:21 A.M.

Present: 4 - Turner, Ellis, Wacker, Barndt

Excused: 2 - Toran, Hintz

1. Roll call and approval of the minutes from the February 18, 2009 meeting.

Ms. Wacker moved, seconded by Ms. Barndt, 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 items 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 is working on the annual report and responded to two open-records requests. The report on later filers of the Statement of Economic Interest is due tomorrow to the City Clerk's Office.

5. Consider possible additions of the "Y" footnote to the Positions Ordinance.

*Present for the Employees' Retirement System (ERS): Bernard Allen, Executive Director and Martin Matson, Deputy Director.
The positions being considered were: ERS Financial Officer, Information Systems Manager, and Member Services Manager. All three of these positions were created in 1999 as a result of a reorganization and the request to consider them for "y" footnotes came about as a result of an audit. ERS is creating its own internal ethics policy and has created a computer-based ethics training course.*

Ms. Barndt moved that the positions of ERS Financial Officer, Information Systems Manager and Member Services Manager be recommended for the "y" footnote, seconded by Ms. Turner. There were no objections.

6. Update on returns of the 2008 Statement of Economic Interests forms and late filing fees; Consider appropriate Board action in individual cases.

As of today, six individuals are required to file, but have not done so and have not contacted Ms. Devereaux. Delinquent notices were mailed to all these individuals at the 30-day deadline. Department heads have been notified for the three employees who have left city employment. Ms. Devereaux has received checks from some individuals.

Ms. Wacker moved, seconded by Ms. Barnes, to prepare affidavits for the city attorney's office for these six individuals.

7. Update on returns of the 2008 Statement of Interest forms and late filing fees

Ms. Ericka Sinclair, Ms. Lillian Pounds and Mr. Craig Hasting all requested and were granted waivers. The Board denied the waiver of Mr. Robert Harris.

8. Review newly filed Statements of Economic Interest forms for clarity and completeness.

The Board reviewed and approved the statements of Art Dahlberg, Shirley Krug, Ivan Gamboa, Elizabeth Nicols, Renee Taylor and Daniel Sweeney. Ms. Devereaux will clarify the statement of Ronald Parrillo prior to reconsideration by the Board.

9. Set next meeting date(s).

May 20 at 9 a.m.

*Meeting adjourned: 10:04 A.M.
Linda M. Elmer
Staff Assistant*