



# City of Milwaukee

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## Meeting Minutes ETHICS BOARD

*DWIGHT ELLIS III, CHAIR*  
*Martha Toran, Vice Chair*

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

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Wednesday, September 16, 2009

9:00 AM

Room 301-C, City Hall

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*Roll call taken at 9:03 A.M.*

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

**Excused:** 2 - Turner, Toran

### 1. Roll call and approval of the July 15, 2009 minutes.

*Ms. Wacker moved, seconded by Ms. Hintz, for approval of the minutes. There were no objections.*

*Roll call taken during the closed session.*

**Present:** 4 - Turner, Ellis, Wacker, Barndt

**Excused:** 2 - Toran, Hintz

### 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.

*Mr. Shelledy moved, seconded by Ms. Barndt, that the Board 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 objections.*

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

*The Board considered one request in closed session and Ms. Hintz left during the closed session.*

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

*Ms. Devereaux sent letters to 22 department heads requesting review of those individuals who must file statements of economic interest; 16 have responded so far. The Ethics office e-mails are also being archived as part of the City Clerk's Office system.*

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

*Ed Ehrlich, City Attorney's Office, said that the Municipal Court has still not issued the summons for those four individuals who failed to file statements. He hopes that the system will be able to operate in a speedy manner in 2010 for those who fail to file timely 2009 statements. The Board discussed how other official bodies respond to individuals who fail to file statements.*

*The Board considered the request of one individual who wished to have the late filing fee waived. The Board unanimously denied the request.*

**6. Report on returns from department and division heads relative to the list of individuals required to file the annual Statement of Economic Interest form.**

*This was covered under item #4.*

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

*The board reviewed the form of Christina Klose, which needs to be amended to note which board she is being appointed to. The Board also discussed whether the form needed to be amended to note that the form covers the entire calendar year, not just as of the date of the appointment. Mr. Ellis supported asking appointees for financial information for the prior year if that is what the code seems to be requesting. The Board discussed whether this form should be modified prior to its mailing this fall. The amended form will be added to the agenda for next month.*

*The board reviewed and approved the forms of Martin Kohler, Joanna Passaro, Stephane Findley and David Redemann .*

**8. Set next meeting date(s).**

*October 21 at 9 a.m.*

*Meeting adjourned: 10:37 A.M.  
Linda M. Elmer  
Staff Assistant*