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Meeting Minutes ETHICS BOARD

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and Robert Shelledy

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Wednesday, April 21, 2010

9:00 AM

Room 301-C, City Hall

Meeting convened: 9:03 A.M.

Present: 4 - Ellis, Hintz, Wacker, Barndt

Excused: 3 - Turner, Toran, Shelledy

1. Roll call and approval of the minutes from the March 17, 2010 meeting.

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

Roll call taken at 9:04 A.M.

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

Excused: 2 - Turner, Toran

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 she has accepted a full-time job with the Dept. of Employee Relations and her last day with the Board will be April 29th. She has worked for the Board for 13 years and will miss everyone. She was off for a few days

around Easter, but the work has been relatively quiet. She mailed off information on filing a complaint to a citizen, but has not received the completed form back yet. The City Clerk's Office is working on invoicing individuals who filed their statements of economic interest late. All of the statements have been filed partially due to assistance from the Mayor's Office in calling individuals and encouraging them to file their statements. Ms. Devereaux has also begun cleaning out her files in preparation for her departure. The Board chose of subcommittee composed of Ms. Ellis, Ms. Hintz and Ms. Barndt to interview candidates. The Board discussed how the position will be advertised and Mr. Ehrlich will research whether candidates need to be city residents at the time of application or at the time of accepting the position.

5. Update on the proposed Ethics Board Rules and Procedures.

The file was heard at the Judiciary and Legislation Committee with Ms. Wacker and Mr. Ellis in attendance to speak on it. One alderman wanted a copy in the file showing what changes were made, so Mr. Ellis provided that prior to the Council meeting. The file is currently in the Mayor's Office awaiting his signature.

6. Update on returns of the 2009 Statement of Economic Interest forms.

All statements have been filed and the late filers, approximately 40 of 463 filers, are in the process of being invoiced for filing late. This item was also discussed as part of item 4 (report from the Research Assistant).

7. Review draft of the 2009 Ethics Board annual report.

Ms. Devereaux provided the Board a copy of the draft 2009 annual report, which is shorter than in previous years as there were fewer requests for confidential opinions. Ms. Wacker moved, seconded by Mr. Shelledy, for approval of the report. There were no objections.

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

The Board reviewed and approved the statement of Mark Knapp.

9. Set next meeting date(s).

May 19th at 9 a.m.

Meeting adjourned: 9:32 A.M.
Linda M. Elmer
Staff Assistant