

## **City of Milwaukee**

200 E. Wells Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

## Meeting Minutes ETHICS BOARD

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Martha Toran, Vice Chair

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

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Wednesday, January 21, 2009

9:00 AM

Room 301-G, City Hall

Meeting convened: 9:06 A.M.

Present: 6 - Turner, Toran, Ellis, Bernstein, Hintz, Barndt

Excused: 1 - Wacker

1. Roll call and approval of the minutes from the November 5, 2008 meeting.

Mr. Bernstein moved, seconded by Ms. Turner, 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 had attempted to schedule two Board meetings since November 5th, but was unsuccessful. She ordered the Statements of Economic Interests late this year in anticipation of changes that were to be approved by the Common Council. Ms. Devereaux reviewed the list of those individuals who are required to file. The City Clerk's Office is trying to make its list of board and commission members more accurate. Ms. Devereaux mailed out 126 forms for board/commission members and 337 forms for employees. She'll soon be sending the completed 2006 forms to the records retention office. Ms. Devereaux and Mr. Ellis worked on the fliers related to changes in the penalties for not filing statements in a timely manner. The Board's rules and procedures will also need to be amended to mirror the new language passed by the Common Council.

5. Election of Ethics Board officers.

Ms. Toran nominated, seconded by Ms. Barndt, Mr. Ellis for Chair. There were no other nominations. The nomination was approved without objection.

Ms. Barndt nominated, seconded by Ms. Turner, Ms. Toran for Vice-Chair. There were no other nominations. The nomination was approved without objection.

6. Update on possible revisions to the Code of Ethics, Chapter 303.

All revisions have been completed and passed by the Common Council.

7. Update on printing and mailing of the 2008 Statement of Economic Interest forms.

This was discussed under item 4.

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

The Board reviewed and approved the statements of Jill Newton Moore and James Hiller.

9. Set next meeting date(s).

February 18 at 9 a.m. March 18 at 9 a.m.

Meeting adjourned: 9:35 A.M. Linda M. Elmer Staff Assistant