

## City of Milwaukee

200 E. Wells Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

## **Meeting Minutes**

## **ETHICS BOARD**

PATRICIA HINTZ, CHAIR,
Bradley Kalscheur, Vice-Chair

Joanne Barndt, Michael Kruse, Whitney Maus, and Clarence
Nicholas
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Wednesday, August 21, 2019

9:00 AM

Room 303, City Hall

The meeting convened at 9:04 AM Individuals also present: ACA Peter Block - CAO Tea Norfolk - LRB

1. Roll call and approval of the minutes from the previous meeting.

Mr. Kalscheur moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Maus. There were no objections.

Present: 5 - Hintz, Barndt, Kalscheur, Maus, Nicholas

Excused: 1 - Kruse

2. Discussion relating to the Statements of Economic Interest for the Board of Health.

Dr. Kowalik stated she wants members to file the statement of economic interest for purposes of knowing potential conflicts of interest. Ms. Barndt moved to add the Board of Health to the Positions Ordinance, seconded by Mr. Nicholas. There were no objections.

3. 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.

- 4. The Board may then convene into open session as authorized by s. 19.85(2), Wis. Stats.
- 5. Report from staff relating to office activities of the previous month.

-Status of Proposed Changes to the Ethics Code

Ms. Hintz stated the penalty for failure to file will be changed to allow the Common Council to remove people from boards and commissions for failure to file their statement of economic interest. She added that the changes also change quorum requirement and updated the names of the organizations that make up the Board. Mr. Kalscheur moved to approve the changes, seconded by Ms. Hintz. There were no objections.

-Request from Election Commission regarding Candidate Statement of Economic Interest

Ms. Kuether-Steele explained that the Election Commission is looking to amend the statement of economic interest to tailor it towards candidates running for office, which would include different filing deadlines and submission information. Ms. Hintz asked that the form be sent to the Election Commission for edits, and then returned to the Board for final approval.

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

The following statements were approved for Ranell Washington, Aaron Lipski, Brianna Sas-Perez, and Clarence Nicholas.

7. Set next meeting date(s).

The next meeting was set for September 19th at 9 AM.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM. Molly Kuether-Steele Staff Assistant