

# City of Milwaukee

# **Meeting Minutes**

## **ETHICS BOARD**

Monday, March 1, 2021	2:00 PM	Virtual Meeting
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	Staff Assistant, Molly Kuether-Steele, 286-2775	
	Johnson, and Emily Mueller	
	Michael Kruse, Whitney Maus, Clarence Nicholas, Kathleen	
	Bradley Kalscheur, Vice-Chair	
	PATRICIA HINTZ, CHAIR,	

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

The meeting convened at 2:03 PM Individual also present: Atty. Peter Block - CAO

Mr. Nicholas moved approval minutes, seconded by Ms. Maus. There were no objections.
Present: 6 - Hintz, Kalscheur, Kruse, Maus, Nicholas, Johnson
Excused: 1 - Mueller

2. The Board may convene into closed session, pursuant to s. 19.85(1)(b), Wis. Stats., to consider the dismissal, demotion, licensing or discipline of any public employee or person licensed by a board or commission or the investigation of charges against such person, and the taking of formal action on any such matter, and/or s. 19.85(1)(h), Wis. Stats., to consider a request for confidential written advice. The Board will then reconvene into open session as authorized by s. 19.85(2), Wis. Stat., to continue with the remainder of the agenda.

*Mr.* Kalscheur moved to convene in to closed session, seconded by Mr. Nicholas. The Board convened in to closed session at 2:06 PM Ms. Johnson moved to reconvene in to open session, seconded by Mr. Nicholas. The Board reconvened in to open session at 2:12 PM.

3. Discussion relating to the termination of the investigation into former Commissioner Steven DeVougas

Atty. Block stated Atty. DeVougas resigned from the FPC so he is no longer a city official or employee, therefore the Board no longer has any jurisdiction. The Chair stated they can no longer continue the investigation because they don't have jurisdiction anymore.

The Chair moved to disband the investigation committee and terminate the investigation in to former Commissioner Steven DeVougas, seconded by Ms. Johnson.

#### There were no objections.

#### 4. **Report from staff relating to office activities of the previous month.**

*Ms.* Kuether- Steele stated statements of economic interest were due yesterday. She added that there are quite a few outstanding and she will send follow up emails. Atty. Block stated an employee notified the Board per 303-5-6 that they were entering in to a contract.

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

The Board accepted the newly filed statements of economic interest for Amanda Avalos and Willie Smith.

## 6. Set next meeting date(s).

The Chair stated Ms. Kuether-Steele will send out an email to survey members about availability.

Ms. Kruse moved to adjourn seconded by Mr. Nicholas. There were no objections. The meeting adjourned at 2:26 PM Molly Kuether-Steele Staff Assistant