

**CITIZEN'S ETHICS ADVISORY BOARD  
OF THE OFFICE OF STATE ETHICS  
18-20 Trinity Street, Hartford, CT 06106-1660**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NOVEMBER 20, 2014**

The Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board ("Board") of the Office of State Ethics ("OSE") held a Regular Meeting on Thursday, November 20, 2014, in the 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room, 18-20 Trinity Street, Hartford, CT 06106.

Chairman Charles Chiusano called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

The following members of the Board were present:

- Charles F. Chiusano, Chairman
- Herbert A. Grant, Vice-Chairman
- Mary Bigelow, Member
- Susan Gruen, Member
- Roger Kemp, Member
- Daniel Young, Member
- Rev. Tommie Jackson, Member (Participated via teleconference)

The following staff members of the OSE were present:

- Carol Carson, Executive Director
- Barbara Housen, General Counsel
- Thomas K. Jones, Ethics Enforcement Officer
- Nancy Nicolescu, Director of Education and Communication
- Brian O'Dowd, Deputy General Counsel
- Mark E. Wasielewski, Deputy Ethics Enforcement Officer
- Peter Lewandowski, Assistant General Counsel
- Cynthia Isales, Assistant General Counsel
- Marc W. Crayton, Assistant Ethics Enforcement Officer
- Taliea Hatcher-Redway, Clerk Typist

The following topics were addressed during the meeting:

1. The minutes of the October 23, 2014 Regular Meeting were presented to the Board for approval.

**On the motion of Mr. Grant, seconded by Ms. Bigelow, the Board voted seven (7) to zero (0) to approve the minutes of the October 23, 2014 Regular Meeting.**

2. Chairman Chiusano presented the Chairman's Report. He reported on two Board vacancies, and on the Executive Director's annual evaluation. He solicited input from the staff and Board members to be considered for the annual evaluation.
3. Chairman Chiusano presented the Hearing Officer's Report in the Matter of Vincent Messina, Docket No. 2014-09 UP. An amended Hearing Officer's Report was submitted to the Board. Attorney Anthony Bento and Marshal Vincent Messina addressed the Board regarding the matter. Another marshal also addressed the Board. The Board discussed the Hearing Officer's Report.

**On the motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Kemp, the Board voted seven (7) to zero (0) to accept and approve the Hearing Officer's Report as the Board's Final Decision in the matter of Vincent Messina, Docket 2014-09 UP, as amended.**

4. Director of Communications Nicolescu conducted the Annual Ethics Training for the Board. The following OSE staff attended the training:

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| • Carol Carson        | • Cynthia Isales        |
| • Barbara Housen      | • Marc W. Crayton       |
| • Thomas K. Jones     | • Diane Buxo            |
| • Nancy Nicolescu     | • Iris E. D'Oleo-Edwin  |
| • Brian O'Dowd        | • Ann Morgan            |
| • Mark E. Wasielewski | • Alaaeldin Ali         |
| • Peter Lewandowski   | • Taliea Hatcher-Redway |

5. General Counsel Housen presented the Legal Division Report. She updated the Board on an upcoming court hearing in the matter of Priscilla Dickman v. CEAB, Docket No. CV-13-5005785.
6. Ethics Enforcement Officer Jones presented the Enforcement Division Report.
7. Ethics Enforcement Officer Jones presented the audit report for Capitol Consulting, LLC.

**On the motion of Mr. Young, seconded by Mr. Kemp, the Board voted seven (7) to zero (0) to approve the audit report for Capitol Consulting, LLC.**

8. Executive Director Carson presented the Executive Director's Report. She reported on the OSE's efforts to find replacements for the two Board vacancies; on the OSE budget for the 2015 fiscal year; and on a visit from a Nigerian study group that will be visiting Connecticut and the OSE on the 11<sup>th</sup> and the 12<sup>th</sup> of December.
9. Ms. Nicolescu presented the Media and Communication Report.
10. Assistant General Counsel Lewandowski presented additional Legislative Proposals for the 2015 Legislative Session.

**On the motion of Mr. Kemp, seconded by Mr. Grant, the Board voted seven (7) to zero (0) to approve the additional Legislative Proposals presented to the Board for the 2015 Legislative Session.**

11. Chairman Chiusano provided an opportunity for public comments. There were no public comments.
12. **On the motion of Mr. Grant, seconded by Mr. Young, the Board voted seven (7) to zero (0) to adjourn the meeting at 2:21 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by,

Iris E. D'Oleo-Edwin, Clerk  
Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board

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Date approved (By the Citizen's Ethics Advisory Board)