



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

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**DRAFT MINUTES**  
**STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION**  
**SPECIAL TELEPHONIC MEETING**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room**  
**September 8, 2016**  
**4:00 P.M.**

**I. Call to Order**

Commissioner Anthony Castagno was present via teleconference and called the meeting to order at 4:03 P.M. Commissioners Michael Ajello and Patricia Stankevicius were present via teleconference. Commissioner Stephen Penny was present. Agency staff was also present.

**II. Executive Session per General Statutes §§ 1-200(6)(B) and (E), and 1-210(b)(1),(3),(4),(10) and General Statutes §9-7a, as amended by Public Act 11-48 §300 (Preliminary draft and agency consideration of enforcement action and exempt records relative thereto)**

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello at 4:04 P.M. to proceed into Executive Session per General Statutes §§ 1-200(6)(B) and (E), and 1-210(b)(1),(3),(4),(10) to discuss strategy and negotiations with respect to pending claims and exempt records. So voted.

Commissioner Penny was present. Commissioners Castagno, Ajello and Stankevicius were present via teleconference. Staff members present were, Kevin Ahern, Scott Branfuhr, Joshua Foley, Ryan Burns, Michael Brandi, Linda Waterman, Douglas Frost, Shannon Kief, and Sheri-Lyn Lagueux.

Returning to public session at 4:08 P.M. the Commission took the following action:

1. Recommendation of Counsel: Validation of Public Grant Applications

**III. Public Session**

**A. Consideration of Application for Public Grants from the Citizens' Election Fund**

1. "Doyle for State Senate," Paul Doyle

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Doyle for State Senate," Paul Doyle. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

2. "Henowitz 2016," Ryan Henowitz

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Henowitz 2016," Ryan Henowitz. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

3. "Nicastro for the 31<sup>st</sup>," Michael Nicastro

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Nicastro for the 31<sup>st</sup>," Michael Nicastro. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

4. "Riiska for the 64<sup>th</sup>," William Riiska

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Riiska for the 64<sup>th</sup>," William Riiska. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

5. "Vargas 2016," Edwin Vargas

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Vargas 2016," Edwin Vargas. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

6. "Craig Miner for Senate," Craig Miner

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Craig Miner for Senate," Craig Miner. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

7. "Demicco 2016," Michael Demicco

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Demicco 2016," Michael Demicco. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

8. "Team Tong 2016," William Tong

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Team Tong 2016," William Tong. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

9. "Valentine for State Rep.," Nora Valentine

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Valentine for State Rep.," Nora Valentine. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

10. "Abercrombie for State Rep.," Catherine Abercrombie

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Abercrombie for State Rep.," Catherine Abercrombie. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

11. "Doug for CT," Doug Dubitsky

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Doug for CT," Doug Dubitsky. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

12. "Fantoli for State Rep - 2016," Toni Fantoli

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudicethe grant application for "Fantoli for State Rep - 2016," Toni Fantoli. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

13. "Formica for Senate," Paul Formica

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Formica for Senate," Paul Formica. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

14. "Linehan 2016," Liz Linehan

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Linehan 2016," Liz Linehan. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

15. "The Committee to Elect Wendy Tyson-Wood," Wendy Tyson-Wood

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "The Committee to Elect Wendy Tyson-Wood," Wendy Tyson-Wood. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

16. "Miller for the 36<sup>th</sup>," Philip Miller

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Miller for the 36<sup>th</sup>," Philip Miller. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

17. "Hwang4Senate," Tony Hwang

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Hwang4Senate," Tony Hwang. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

18. "Dante for State Senate," Dante Bartolomeo

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Dante for State Senate," Dante Bartolomeo. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

19. "Re-Elect Art Linares," Art Linares

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Re-Elect Art Linares," Art Linares. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

20. "Elect Mae Flexer," Mae Flexer

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Elect Mae Flexer," Mae Flexer. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

21. "Gucker 2016," Kenneth Gucker

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Gucker 2016," Kenneth Gucker. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

22. "Roeun2016," Vaesna Roeun

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Roeun2016," Vaesna Roeun. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

23. "Friends of Guerrero 2016," Antonio "Tony" Guerrero

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Friends of Guerrero 2016," Antonio "Tony" Guerrero. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

24. "French for Senate 2016," John French

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "French for Senate 2016," John French. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

25. “Tony Guglielmo for State Senate,” Tony Guglielmo

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for “Tony Guglielmo for State Senate,” Tony Guglielmo. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

***B. Consideration of Matters Discussed in Executive Session***

***IV. Continuation of all prior applications awaiting additional information to qualify for a grant***

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice all prior applications awaiting additional information to qualify for a grant. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

***V. Adjournment***

It was moved by Commissioner Stankevicius and seconded by Commissioner Ajello at 4:28 P.M. to adjourn the meeting. So voted. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes of the Commission were unanimous.

***The next regular scheduled meeting is September 14, 2016 at 9:30 A.M. in the 5th Floor Conference room.***