



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

MINUTES
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REGULAR MEETING
5th Floor Conference Room
July 12, 2018
3:30 P.M.

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Castagno was present via teleconference and called the meeting to order at 3:30 P.M. Commissioners Ajello and Penny were also present via teleconference. Commissioner Bramante was present. Executive Director Michael J. Brandi was present via teleconference. Agency staff was also present.

Commissioner Castagno added an item to the Agenda in Executive Session as item II. A. "Recommendation of Counsel regarding Declaratory Ruling 2018-01 Public Hearing"

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 Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Ajello at 3:43 P.M. to proceed into Executive Session pursuant to 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 Bramante was present. Commissioners Castagno, Ajello and Penny were present via teleconference. Michael J. Brandi was present via teleconference. Staff members present were Joshua Foley, Ryan M. Burns, Douglas Frost, Linda Waterman, Shannon Kief and Sheri-Lyn Lagueux.

Returning to public session at 3:59 PM the Commission took the following action:

A. Recommendation of Counsel Regarding Declaratory Ruling 2018-01 Public Hearing

No action taken

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

A. New Applications

1. "Albis 2018," James Albis

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Bramante to approve the grant application for "Albis 2018," James Albis. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

2. "Arconti 2018," David Arconti

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Arconti 2018," David Arconti. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

3. "Colin Hosten Election Committee," Colin Hosten

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Bramante to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Colin Hosten Election Committee," Colin Hosten. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

4. "Nick Gauthier for Connecticut," Nicholas Gauthier

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Nick Gauthier for Connecticut," Nicholas Gauthier. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

5. "Cabrera for State Senate," Jorge Cabrera

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Bramante to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Cabrera for State Senate," Jorge Cabrera. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

6. "Feehan for 120," Jim Feehan

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Bramante to approve the grant application for "Feehan for 120," Jim Feehan. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

7. "Gannon for 3," Gannon Long

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Gannon for 3," Gannon Long. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

8. "Imperato for Branford," Robert Imperato

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Imperato for Branford," Robert Imperato. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

9. "Laurel for State Rep," Laurel Steinhauser

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

10. "Friends of CAZ," Cazmir Mizera

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Bramante to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Friends of CAZ," Caimir Mizera. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

11. "Kim Rose 2018," Kim Rose

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Kim Rose 2018," Kim Rose. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

12. "Re-Elect Stallworth 2018, Charlie Stallworth

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Bramante to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Re-Elect Stallworth 2018, Charlie Stallworth. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

13. "Aimee4Ridgefield," Aimee Berger-Girvalo

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Aimee4Ridgefield," Aimee Berger-Girvalo. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

14. "Matt for State Senate," Matt Lesser

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Matt for State Senate," Matt Lesser. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

15. "Turco for Newington" Gary Turco

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Turco for Newington" Gary Turco. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

B. Continuation of prior applications awaiting additional information to qualify for a grant

1. "Vickie Nardello for State Senate," Vickie Nardello

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Bramante to approve the grant application for "Vickie Nardello for State Senate," Vickie Nardello. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

2. "Kate Rotella 2018," Kate Rotella

No action taken

3. "Rojas 2018," Jason Rojas

No action taken

4. "Jaumann 2018," Joseph Jaumann

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Jaumann 2018," Joseph Jaumann. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

5. "Slap for State Rep.," Derek Slap

No action taken

6. "Steve Obsitnik for Governor," Steve Obsitnik

No action taken

7. "Caitlin Clarkson Pereira 2018," Caitlin Clarkson Pereira

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Caitlin Clarkson Pereira 2018," Caitlin Clarkson Pereira. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

8. "Lopes for 24th," Rick Lopes

No action taken

9. "Rutigliano for Trumbull," David Rutigliano

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Rutigliano for Trumbull," David Rutigliano. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

10. "Andy For West Hartford," Andrew Fleischmann

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Andy For West Hartford," Andrew Fleischmann. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

11. "Welander for CT," Mary Welander

No action taken

12. "NKD18," Nicole Klarides Ditria

No action taken

13. "Sally Connolly for State Representative," Sally Connolly

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Sally Connolly for State Representative," Sally Connolly. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

14. "Team Tong 2018," William Tong

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Team Tong 2018," William Tong. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

15. "Amanda Webster New for 62," Amanda Webster

No action taken

16. "Re-Elect B. McGee," Brandon McGee

No action taken

17. "Larry Groh Jr. for 51st District," Larry Groh

No action taken

18. "Team Eleni for CT," Eleni Kavros DeGraw

No action taken

19. "Belsito for State Rep.," Samuel Belsito

No action taken

20. "Elect Dauphinais," Anne Dauphinais
No action taken
21. "Napoli 2018," Ronald Napoli
It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Napoli 2018," Ronald Napoli. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.
22. "Wooden for Treasurer," Shawn Wooden
No action taken
23. "Dita for CT Treasurer," Dita Bhargava
No action taken
24. "Statchen 2018," Robert Statchen
No action taken
25. "Barry 4 CT," Jill Barry
No action taken
26. "Reyes 75 for Re-election," Geraldo Reyes
No action taken
27. "STEVE MESKERS 4 GREENWICH," Stephen Meskers
No action taken
28. "Valerie for CT," Valerie Horsley
It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Valerie for CT," Valerie Horsley. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.
29. "Will Haskell for CT," William Haskell
No action taken
30. "Hampton 2018," John Hampton
No action taken

31. "People for Mikutel 2018," Steven Mikutel
No action taken
32. "Szynkowicz 2018," Linda Szynkowicz
No action taken
33. "Ackert for the 8th," Tim Ackert
It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "Ackert for the 8th," Tim Ackert. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.
34. "Fuller 2018," Kevin Fuller
It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Fuller 2018," Kevin Fuller. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.
35. "Hall 2018," Joshua Hall
No action taken
36. "McLachlan 2018," Michael McLachlan
No action taken
37. "Lucy2018," Lucia "Lucy" Dathan
No action taken
38. "Shaun for State Rep 2018," Shaun Mastroianni
It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Shaun for State Rep 2018," Shaun Mastroianni. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.
39. "Simanski 2018," William Simanski
No action taken

40. "Tony G. for Senate," Tony Giannattasio

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bramante to approve the grant application for "Tony G. for Senate," Tony Giannattasio. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

41. "Susan for CT," Susan Bysiewicz

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

42. "Aaron for Senate," Aaron R. Turner

No action taken

43. "Caroline Simmons for State Representative," Caroline B. Simmons

No action taken


IV. Adjournment

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny at 4:19 P.M. to adjourn the meeting. So voted. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes of the Commission were unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,


Sheri-Lyn Lagueux
Clerk of the Commission

Adopted this 18th day of July, 2018 at Hartford, Connecticut.


Anthony Castagno, Chair
By Order of the Commission

The next regular scheduled meeting is July 18, 2018 at 9:30 A.M. in the 5th Floor Conference room.