



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

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SPECIAL MEETING
5th Floor Conference Room
July 23, 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, Cascudo and Penny were also present via teleconference. Commissioner Bramante 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 Penny and seconded by Commissioner Bramante at 3:31 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. Commissioner Castagno, Ajello and Penny were present via teleconference. Staff members present were.

1. Recommendation of Counsel: Discussion of Candidate Committee Validation Memoranda

No action taken.

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

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

1. "Wooden for Treasurer," Shawn Wooden

Executive Director Brandi summarized the above grant application and read the following motion into the record: The Commission pursuant to its authority in General Statutes § 9-7b (a) initiates an investigation, based on facts discovered in the course of a staff validation of a Citizens' Election Program grant application,

into potential campaign finance violations pertaining to contributions received by the "Wooden for Treasurer" committee. The investigation will be docketed as: In Re: Commission Initiated Investigation into Contributions Received by the "Wooden for Treasurer" Committee.

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to initiate the investigation for "Wooden for Treasurer," Shawn Wooden. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Wooden for Treasurer," Shawn Wooden. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

2. "Dita for CT Treasurer," Dita Bhargava

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Dita for CT Treasurer," Dita Bhargava. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

3. "Nick Gauthier for Connecticut," Nicholas Gauthier

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bramante to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Nick Gauthier for Connecticut," Nicholas Gauthier. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

4. "Matt for State Senate," Matt Lesser

No action taken.

5. "Linares for Treasurer," Art Linares

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for "Linares for Treasurer," Art Linares. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

6. "Alex for CT," Jon Tiktinsky

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bramante to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Alex for CT," Jon Tiktinsky. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

7. “Re-Elect B. McGee,” Brandon McGee

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for “Re-Elect B. McGee,” Brandon McGee. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

8. “Stevenson4CT,” Jayme Stevenson

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to approve the grant application for “Stevenson4CT,” Jayme Stevenson. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

9. “Gennaro 100th 2018,” Anthony Gennaro

It was moved by Commissioner Cascudo and seconded by Commissioner Bramante to approve the grant application for “Gennaro 100th 2018,” Anthony Gennaro. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

10. “EVA for CT,” Eva Bermudez Zimmerman


It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello to continue without prejudice the grant application for “EVA for CT,” Eva Bermudez Zimmerman. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

IV. Consideration of Matters Discussed in Executive Session

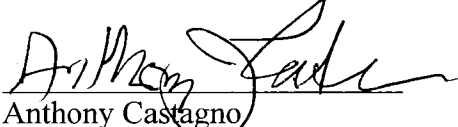
V. Adjournment

It was moved by Commissioner Penny and seconded by Commissioner Ajello at 3:47 P.M. to adjourn the meeting. So voted. Unless otherwise indicated, all votes of the Commission were unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,


Sheri-Lyn Lagu  ux
Clerk of the Commission

Adopted this 15th day of August, 2018 at Hartford, Connecticut.


Anthony Castagno
By Order of the Commission

The next regular scheduled meeting is July 25, 2018 at 3:30 P.M. in the 5th Floor Conference room.