

BOARD OF ETHICS  
JULY 20, 2016  
MINUTES

Present: Bonnie Fillion, John Critchley, Kenneth McDonnell, John Whittel and Thomas Welch

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 PM.

Fillion made a motion, seconded by Critchley to enter into executive session at 5:45 PM to discuss complaint #16-01 and #16-02 and invite the administrative assistant Mary Schettino. The motion was unanimously approved.

The board came out of executive session at 7:30 PM.

Welch made a motion, seconded by Critchley and unanimously approved to find complaint 16-01 in proper form and to continue with a confidential investigation.

Whittel made a motion, seconded by Fillion and unanimously approved to dismiss complaint #16-02 for the following reasons. The board finds that although the complaint itself was not signed the board will treat it as signed because the memorandum addressed to chairman McDonnell forwarding the complaint appeared to be signed and the lack of signature on the complaint itself was likely an oversight. However, the board finds that even if the facts alleged in the complaint are considered true, those allegations do not constitute a violation of the code because Section IV – Conflict of Interest- requires a personal financial or pecuniary interest. The board finds that the complaint fails to allege that the respondent and/or his alleged immediate family member had a direct or indirect personal financial interest in the subject matter of the vote of the board in question.

Whittel made a motion, seconded by Fillion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Schettino  
Administrative Assistant