

ST. MARY'S COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION
St. Mary's County Potomac Building

Minutes of December 7, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Joseph B. Bush, Chair
Arthur F. Goeller, Member
Robert E. Elwood, Member
Elizabeth Long, Member
Sarah Cannavo, Administrative Support

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Robert W. Denning, Vice Chair
Candace Butler, Alternate Member

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Bush at 2:05 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on December 21, 2009 in conference room 14 of the Potomac Building.

Ms. Long will be approximately 15 minutes late. Ms. Cannavo will not be available for the December 21 meeting.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes for Open Session of November 16, 2009: Mr. Elwood made a motion to accept the minutes with amendment. Motion seconded by Mr. Goeller and carried.

Minutes for Executive Session of November 16, 2009: Mr. Elwood made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Motion seconded by Ms. Long and carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Ordinance Update: Ms. Cannavo presented a draft memo to be sent to all Commissions / Boards affected by the proposed ordinance change. Members determined that the membership of these boards and commissions would be given an opportunity to respond to proposed changes. A date of January 29, 2010 has been established as a due date for responses. Ms. Cannavo will distribute the memo to necessary organizations.

Mr. Goeller suggested making an additional change to section 3 of the ordinance which covered future boards, commissions, task force, or organizations established through legislation that were not covered by the State Ethics Ordinance. Members agreed on the proposed change. Ms. Long will incorporate the changes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Updated Contact List: Ms. Cannavo presented an updated contact list to members.

2010 Meeting Schedule: Members reviewed the draft meeting schedule for 2010 and determined to reschedule the February 15, 2010 meeting to February 16, 2010 due to President's Day. All other regularly scheduled meetings that fell on a Federal Holiday would not be rescheduled unless a situation arose warranting an emergency meeting.

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS:

Review of 2010 Financial Disclosure Statement: Members reviewed and approved the updated 2010 Financial Disclosure Statement form.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Mr. Elwood to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ms. Long and the motion was carried. The St. Mary's County Ethics Commission was adjourned at 2:35 PM.