



Wisconsin Ethics Commission

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Wisconsin Ethics Commission

Board Room
212 East Washington Avenue
Madison, Wisconsin
November 9, 2016
9:00 a.m.

Open Session Minutes

Present: Katie McCallum (in-person), Peg Lautenschlager (by phone), Mac Davis (by phone), David Halbrooks (by phone), Robert Kinney (by phone), and Pat Strachota (by phone)

Staff present: Brian Bell, David Buerger, and Reid Magney

A. Call to Order

Vice Chair Katie McCallum called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

B. Report of Appropriate Meeting Notice

Administrator Brian Bell reported that appropriate notice of the Commission meeting had been given to the public and news media.

C. Personal Appearances

No personal appearances.

D. Request for Advice – Formal Opinion Request from the Wisconsin Association of School Boards Regarding the Administration of WIS. STAT. § 11.0104

Staff Counsel Buerger presented the memo on pages 1-11 of the meeting materials.

Discussion.

Wisconsin Ethics Commissioners
Mac Davis | David R. Halbrooks | Peg Lautenschlager | Katie McCallum | Pat Strachota

Administrator
Brian M. Bell, MPA

MOTION: Refer the matter to the appropriate legislative oversight committees pointing out these issues and problems and asking them if they would interested in clarifying and correcting them by legislation. Moved by Commissioner Davis, seconded by Commissioner Kinney.

Discussion.

MOTION: Amend prior motion to include referral to the Attorney General to request an informal opinion as promptly as possible. Moved by Commissioner Davis, seconded by Commissioner Lautenschlager.

Discussion. Amendment attached to main motion by unanimous consent.

Roll call vote: Strachota:	Aye	Davis:	Aye
McCallum:	Aye	Kinney:	Aye
Halbrooks:	Aye	Lautenschlager:	Aye

Discussion.

MOTION: The Commission directs staff to issue informal guidance consistent with previous practice to all filing officers regarding the changes to exemption/termination required by 2015 Act 117 pending further guidance from DOJ or the Legislature. Moved by Commissioner Kinney, seconded by Commissioner Lautenschlager.

Discussion.

Roll call vote: Strachota:	No	Davis:	No
McCallum:	No	Kinney:	Aye
Halbrooks:	No	Lautenschlager:	Aye

Discussion of enforcement in the absence of further guidance.

E. Adjourn

MOTION: To adjourn. Moved by Commissioner Halbrooks, seconded by Commissioner Kinney. Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission adjourned at 10:22 a.m.

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November 9, 2016 Wisconsin Ethics Commissioners meeting minutes prepared by:


David Buerger, Staff Counsel

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November 9, 2016 Wisconsin Ethics Commissioners meeting minutes certified by:


Katie McCallum, Vice Chair

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