

SUFFOLK COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS

Minutes of Meeting Held on  
March 11, 2015  
Office of the Board of Ethics  
Sunrise Business Center, 3500 Sunrise Highway, Room 364  
Great River, New York 11739

Meeting: *Board Members present:* Robin Long, Linda Spahr, Richard Halverson, and Dennis O’Doherty. *Staff present:* Samantha Segal, Executive Director and Darlene Kurrass, Board Secretary, taking minutes. *Counsel present:* John Gross, Esq. and Julie Torrey, Esq.

Ascertainment of Quorum: The meeting was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Chairperson, Robin Long. A roll call was conducted and a quorum was present.

Adoption of Agenda: A motion was made by Robin Long, seconded by Dennis O’Doherty, to adopt the agenda. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (4-0-0).

Adoption of Minutes: A motion was made by Dennis O’Doherty, seconded by Richard Halverson, to adopt the minutes of the February 25, 2015 meeting. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (3-0-1), Linda Spahr abstained.

Public Session: Robin Long opened Public Session. No members of the public were present and no written testimony was submitted. Robin Long closed public session.

Chair Report: None.

Executive Director Report: Samantha Segal, Executive Director, reported and/or discussed the following:

- Training: Elected Officials specified training options letters were sent;
- Financial Disclosure Statement Filer Lists: All department lists received;
- Code Review of §77-10.

Executive Session: At 9:50 a.m. a motion was made by Robin Long, seconded by Linda Spahr to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing confidential matters pertaining to one Ethics Violation Complaint in accordance with the Suffolk County Administrative Code §A30-8 and the New York State Open Meetings Law. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (4-0-0).

At 10:30 a.m. a motion was made by Robin Long, seconded by Richard Halverson to close Executive Session. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (4-0-0). John Gross left the meeting.

Annual Report: The Board reviewed and revised the drafted 2014 Annual Report.

Plain Language Guide: The Board reviewed the drafted Plain Language Guide. A motion was made by Linda Spahr, seconded by Richard Halverson to adopt the Suffolk County Code of Ethics Plain Language Guide. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (4-0-0).

New Business: Board meeting schedule.

The next meeting of the Board will be held on March 18, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Richard Halverson, seconded by Dennis O’Doherty to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (3-0-0) (11:15 a.m.).