

SUFFOLK COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS

Minutes of Meeting Held on
May 20, 2015
Office of the Board of Ethics
Sunrise Business Center, 3500 Sunrise Highway, Room 364
Great River, New York 11739

Meeting: *Board Members present:* Linda Spahr, Richard Halverson and Dennis O’Doherty. *Staff present:* Samantha Segal, Executive Director and Darlene Kurrass, Board Secretary, taking minutes.

Ascertainment of Quorum: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Vice Chairperson, Linda Spahr, acting as Chair. A roll call was conducted and a quorum was present.

Linda Spahr advised the Board that Robin Long’s letter of resignation was received by the office on May 13, 2015. The office was advised by Ms. Long that her appointing authority had been notified of her resignation. The Board wishes to recognize Ms. Long’s service, dedication, and leadership in her role with the Suffolk County Board of Ethics.

Adoption of Agenda: A motion was made by Dennis O’Doherty, seconded by Richard Halverson, to adopt the agenda as amended to include a discussion of the vacant seat. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (3-0-0).

Adoption of Minutes: A motion was made by Dennis O’Doherty, seconded by Richard Halverson, to adopt the minutes of the May 6, 2015 meeting. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (3-0-0).

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

Discussion of Vacancy: Nominations for chair will be held for a meeting at which all current members of the Board will be present.

Chair Report: None.

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

- Financial Disclosure Statements: filing status update, candidates for office
- Educational Materials: §77-10 (B) and §77-10 (C) pamphlet, guidelines for filers.
- Training: County Executive and District Attorney.

Executive Session: At 5:40 p.m. a motion was made by Linda Spahr, seconded by Richard Halverson to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing confidential matters pertaining to one Advisory Opinion and four Extension Applications for financial disclosure statement filing 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).

During Executive Session the Board voted on standing of AO-2015-5 (3-0-0), voted on EA-002-2015 (3-0-0), EA-003-2015 (3-0-0), and EA-004-2015 (3-0-0), and reviewed EA-001-2015, moot, no vote was taken.

A motion was made by Linda Spahr, seconded by Richard Halverson to close Executive Session. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (3-0-0).

New Business: None.

The next meeting of the Board will be held June 3, 2015 at 9:30 a.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) (6:00 p.m.).