

Suffolk County Board of Ethics

Minutes of Meeting Held on
August 20, 2014

Office of the Board of Ethics
3500 Sunrise Highway, Room 364, Great River, New York 11739

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

Ascertainment of Quorum: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairperson, Robin Long. A roll call was conducted and a quorum was present.

Adoption of Agenda: A motion was made by Linda Spahr, seconded by Dennis O’Doherty, to adopt the agenda. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

Adoption of Minutes: A motion was made by Richard Halverson, seconded by Dennis O’Doherty, to adopt the minutes of the August 6, 2014 Board Meeting. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

Public Session: At 6:10 p.m. 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 discussed the following with the Board:

- Office relocation/ mail system for new location;
- Upcoming Ethics Training Schedule;
- Lobbyist Law;
- Ethics Plain Language Guide;
- Information Technology: Exit Interview and Self-Certifying Training; and
- Completion of confidential shredding.

Executive Session: At 6:45 p.m. a motion was made by Robin Long, seconded by Richard Halverson to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing ongoing confidential matters pertaining to one Advisory Opinion 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 (5-0-0).

During Executive Session the Board discussed the following:

- AO-2014-8 Tabled;

A motion was made by Robin Long, seconded by Heather Palmore to close Executive Session. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0).

New Business: Discussed whether the Board can request and render an Advisory Opinion for educational purposes.

The next meeting of the Board will be held on September 3, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Robin Long, seconded by Richard Halverson to adjourn the meeting. Upon a vote being taken, motion was approved (5-0-0) (7:35 p.m.).