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DeKalb County Board of Ethics Regular Meeting Thursday, May 16, 2024

6:00 p.m. Maloof Auditorium

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Tammy Greer - Board Chair Robert Dallas – Board Vice Chair George Ference Thomas Clements Chiquita Wright

Alternate Members Present

Cathea Simelton -Treminio

Board Staff Present:

Elisa Murphy, Ethics Officer Kristin Rodgers, Ethics Administrator Hakim Hilliard, General Counsel Maiysha Rashad, Assistant to General Counsel

County Technology Personnel Present: DCTV

<u>Agenda</u>

I. Call to Order

Ethics Board Chair Tammy Greer called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

II. Adoption of Agenda

Motion: Vice Chair Dallas moved to adopt the May 16, 2024, Board of Ethics meeting agenda; Board Member Wright seconded the motion. Board Member Waymon, Board Member Mathews, and Board Member Ference were absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 4-0 vote

III. Administrative Items

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 18, 2024

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Motion: Board Member Clements moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 18, 2024; Vice Chair Dallas seconded the motion. Board Member Waymon, Board Member Mathews, and Board Member Ference were absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

B. Ethics Officer's Monthly Report

Ethics Officer Elisa Murphy provided a monthly report summary.

IV. Preliminary Cases

A. 2024-5: Michael Cooper v. Stephen Bradshaw

Ethics Officer Murphy provided the facts of this case and recommended this case move forward with a Probable Cause hearing set for June 20, 2024. The Chair opened the floor for discussion.

Motion: Board Member Clements moved to advance this case to a Probable Cause hearing on June 20, 2024; Board Member Wright seconded the motion. Board Member Waymon, Board Member Mathews, and Board Member Ference were absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

B. 2024-6: Darren Petty v. Aaron Kimble

Ethics Officer Murphy provided the facts of this case and recommended dismissal of the complaint due to uncorrected defects in the complaint, which Mr. Petty was given a May 16, 2024 deadline to cure. The Chair opened the floor for discussion.

Motion: Vice Chair Dallas moved to extend this case for an additional 30 days, for the complainant to cure the defect in the complaint; Board Member Waymon, Board Member Mathews, and Board Member Ference were absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

V. Public Comments

Stephen Binney of Clarkston, GA made public comments.

VI. Comments from the Board of Ethics

VII. Executive Session to Discuss Pending Litigation and Personnel Issues

A. Motion to Convene an Executive Session

Motion: Vice Chair Dallas moved to convene an Executive Session; Board Member Clements seconded the motion. Board Member Waymon, Board Member Mathews, and Board Member Ference were absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

B. Motion to Adjourn an Executive Session

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Motion: Board Member Vice Chair Dallas moved to adjourn an Executive Session; Board Member Wright seconded the motion. Board Member Waymon, Board Member Mathews, and Board Member Ference were absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

C. Motion to Approve the Executive Session Affidavit

Motion: Board Member Vice Chair Dallas moved to approve the Executive Session Affidavit; Board Member Clements seconded the motion. Board Member Waymon, Board Member Mathews, and Board Member Ference were absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

VIII. Announcement of Next Regular Meeting Date of Thursday, June 20, 2024

IX. Adjournment

Motion: Board Member Wright moved to adjourn the May 16, 2024, Board of Ethics Regular Meeting at 7:46 p.m.; Board Member Clements seconded the motion. Board Member Waymon, Board Member Mathews, and Board Member Ference were absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

Approved:

Jun 21, 2024 20:50 EDT) Tammy Gre

Chair

Jun 21, 2024

Date

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