



Draft
DeKalb County Board of Ethics
Regular Meeting
Thursday, October 17, 2024
6:00 p.m.
Maloof Auditorium

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Robert Dallas, Chair
Chiquita Wright, Vice Chair
Rosa Waymon
Thomas Clements
George Ference

Alternate Members Present

Jason Cecil

Board Staff Present:

Elisa Murphy, Ethics Officer
Kristin Rodgers, Ethics Administrator
Hakim Hilliard, General Counsel

County Technology Personnel Present:

DeKalb IT

Agenda

I. Call to Order

Ethics Board Chair Robert Dallas called the public meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

II. Adoption of Agenda

Ethics Officer Murphy requested an amendment to the minutes. Board Member Clements moved to amend Case 2024-12: Megan Shell v. Sergeant Floyd of DeKalb Police Department to remove “DeKalb Police Department” and to adopt the amended agenda, Board Member Chiquita Wright seconded the motion. Board Member Mathews was absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

III. Administrative Items

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 19, 2024

Motion: Board Member Waymon moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 19, 2024. Board Member Wright seconded the motion. Board Member Mathews was absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

B. Board of Ethics Committee Chairs

Board Chair Dallas listed the Ethics Board Committees and called for volunteers to chair those committees. The floor was open for discussion.

Board Member Waymon volunteered for the Personnel Committee, and Board Member Clements will chair that committee.

Board Member Chiquita Wright volunteered to chair the Budget Committee.

Board Member Ference volunteered to chair the Oversight Committee.

The current Board committees are as follows:

- Human Resources-Personnel:
 - Tom Clements – Chair
 - Bob Dallas
 - Rosa Waymon
- Budget:
 - Chiquita Wright - Chair
 - Scott Mathews
 - Cathea Simelton-Treminio
- Oversight:
 - George Ference - Chair
 - Jason Cecil
 - Vacant

C. Ethics Officer's Monthly Report

Ethics Officer Murphy provided a monthly report of the Ethics Office.

IV. Preliminary Cases

A. 2024-12: Megan Shell v. Sergeant Floyd

The Ethics Officer provided details of the complaint. The Ethics Officer recommended the dismissal of this complaint.

Motion: Board Member Clements moved to dismiss the complaint due to lack of jurisdiction; Board Member Ference seconded the motion. Board Member Mathews was absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

B. 2024-13: Asher Haig v. Derrick Cain

The Ethics Officer provided details of the complaint. The Ethics Officer recommended dismissal of this complaint.

Motion: Board Member Clements moved to dismiss the complaint; Board Member Wright seconded the motion. Board Member Mathews was absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

C. 2024-14: Asher Haig v. Demetrius Brown

The Ethics Officer provided details of the complaint. The Ethics Officer recommended

dismissal of this complaint.

Motion: Board Member Clements moved to dismiss the complaint; Board Member Waymon seconded the motion. Board Member Mathews was absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

D. 2024-15: Asher Haig v. Alisa Dawson

The Ethics Officer provided details of the complaint. The Ethics Officer recommended dismissal of this complaint due to lack of jurisdiction.

Motion: Board Member Wright moved to dismiss the complaint; Board Member Waymon seconded the motion. Board Member Mathews was absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

V. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

VI. Comments from the Board of Ethics

Board Member Clements gave an update on the Vaughn Irons case.

VII. Executive Session to Discuss Pending Litigation and Personnel Issues

A. Motion to Convene an Executive Session

Motion: Board Member Clements moved to convene an Executive Session; Board Member Wright seconded the motion. Board Member Mathews was absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

B. Motion to Adjourn an Executive Session

Motion: Board Member Clements moved to adjourn an Executive Session; Board Member Wright seconded the motion. Board Member Mathews was absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

C. Motion to Approve the Executive Session Affidavit

Motion: Board Member Clements moved to approve the Executive Session Affidavit; Vice Chair Wright seconded the motion. Board Member Mathews was absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

VIII. Announcement of Next Regular Meeting Date of Thursday, November 21, 2024

IX. Adjournment

Motion: Board Member Waymon moved to adjourn the October 17, 2024, Board of Ethics Regular Meeting at 6:39 p.m., Board Member Clements seconded the motion. Board Member Mathews was absent from the meeting. The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

Approved:

Chair

Date