MINUTES OF THE
MACOMB COUNTY ETHICS BOARD
Wednesday, June 15, 2016

A meeting of the Macomb County Ethics Board was held Wednesday, June 15, 2016, at
8:45 a.m., in the Human Resources Conference Room, on the 1st Floor of the Talmer
Building - Mount Clemens, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Amboyer called the meeting to order at 8:49 a.m.

ROLL CALL

The following Members were present:

Dr. Donald J. Amboyer, Paddy Laske, James McGrail and Dorie Vazquez-Nolan

Michelle LaBelle, Macomb County Finance – Risk & Insurance, prepared/reported the
Minutes.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION
A motion was made by James McGrail, supported by Dorie Vazquez, to adopt the
Agenda, as presented. The Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF MAY 18, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

MOTION
A motion was made by Paddy Laske, supported by Dorie Vazquez-Nolan, to approve
the Minutes of May 18, 2016. The Motion Carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Jackson Gross
Karen Spranger
Joseph M. Hunt
Michael Radke, Jr.
CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received:

One Advisory Opinion Request, two Complaints, nine phone inquiries, a letter of recusal regarding a pending case, a request for pre-meeting minutes was honored and sent, a letter from a member of judiciary was received and responded to by the Board Chair. A Ethics Complaint was received, which was not notarized. The individual was notified and to date, the Board has not had the complaint returned. A Department Director sent out a notice regarding online Ethics Training. A few emails were received regarding difficulty accessing training and were referred to Human Resources. A wrong phone on the Ethics Board Training Syntrio website has been corrected.

ETHICS TRAINING FOR MANAGERS UPDATE

No update at this time. Paddy Laske will follow up with Human Resources.

BOARD MEMBER VACANCY UPDATE

One vacancy remains on the Board. There is one possible applicant.

FLYER PRINT REVISIONS

Jim McGrail will check on the status of this print request.

EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

Chair Amboyer submitted expense receipts in the amount of $129.27 for reimbursement of postal, paper and printer ink.

MOTION

A motion was made by Paddy Laske, supported by Jim McGrail, to reimburse Don Amboyer $129.27 for the expenses submitted. The Motion Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Amboyer provided building security phone numbers to Board Members.

CASE REVIEW

AO1-2016 – A letter was submitted to Respondent with the attachments. Respondent didn’t respond within the 21 day allotted time. This Advisory Opinion Request has been assigned to subcommittee Jim McGrail and Dorie Vazquez-Nolan to seek additional information before an Advisory Opinion is rendered.
AO2-2016 – Board Members reviewed. This Advisory Opinion Request has been assigned to subcommittee Paddy Laske and Dorie Vazquez-Nolan to seek additional information before an Advisory Opinion is rendered.

C04-2016 – The Board received answers. Paddy Laske and Dorie Vazquez-Nolan have been assigned to form a subcommittee to further review and investigate.

Two Complaints involve a Recusal Letter which was received.

MOTION
A motion was made by Jim McGrail, supported by Paddy Laske, to excuse Dorie Vazquez-Nolan from Complaints CO3-2016 and CO5-2016 in their entirety. The Motion Carried.

Dorie Vazquez-Nolan was excused from the Meeting.

CO5-2016 – Respondent notified and did respond. No further information or inquiry from Complainant. This Complaint has been assigned to subcommittee Jim McGrail and Paddy Laske to further review and investigate.

CO3-2016 – The Board reviewed complaint and response. This Complaint has been assigned to subcommittee Jim McGrail and Paddy Laske.

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING: July 20, 2016 - 8:45 A.M.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION
A motion was made by Jim McGrail, supported by Paddy Laske, to adjourn the meeting at 10:02 a.m. The Motion Carried.

Approved:

[Signature]
Donald J. Amboyer, Ph.D., Chair

[Signature]
James McGrail, Secretary