MINUTES OF THE
MACOMB COUNTY ETHICS BOARD

Wednesday, July 19, 2017

A meeting of the Macomb County Ethics Board was held Wednesday, July 19, 2017, at 
8:45 a.m., in the Conference Room, on the Second Floor of the Talmer Building, 120 
North Main Street, 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 Amboyer, Dorie Vazquez-Nolan and Brian Gabriel 
Paddy Laske – Absent and Excused

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION

A motion was made by Dorie Vazquez-Nolan, supported by Brian Gabriel, to adopt the 
Agenda as presented. The Motion Carried.

APPROVE MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 21, 2017

MOTION

A motion was made by Dorie Vazquez-Nolan, supported by Brian Gabriel, to approve 
the minutes of June 21, 2017, as amended. The Motion Carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Erin Stahl – Discussed FOIA information she received.

Mike Keys – provided a brief presentation on Boardsync, which could be used for 
creating Agendas, Minutes etc. He will provide the Board access to review the system 
further.
CORRESPONDENCE

The Board had emails from Syntrio regarding payment and discontinuance of training. An email was received from Corporation concerning Counsel for the Board regarding a lawsuit filed by Macomb County Clerk/Register of Deeds Karen Spranger. One phone call was also received which was not related to the Ethics Board.

ETHICS BOARD UPDATES

Vice Chair Nominations -

MOTION
A motion was made by Don Amboyer, supported by Brian Gabriel, to elect Dorie Vazquez-Nolan as Vice Chair, term ending December 31, 2017. The Motion Carried.

Secretary Nominations -

MOTION
A motion was made by Dorie Vazquez-Nolan, supported by Don Amboyer, to elect Brian Gabriel as Secretary - term ending December 31, 2017. The Motion Carried.

RULES OF PROCEDURE DRAFT

Corporation Counsel was requested in June to review the draft and advise the Board.

2016 ANNUAL REPORT DRAFT

The Board Members requested to submit any suggestions to Chair Amboyer within the next week for finalizing a draft copy. It will be reviewed at the August meeting with hope to submit to the Board of Commissioners soon thereafter.

SUGGESTED ORDINANCE REVISIONS

Chair Amboyer is working on draft revisions. All Board Members were asked to submit their suggested revisions before the August meeting. Brian Gabriel will reach out to the Board of Commissioners and check on timeline for possibly revising Enrolled Ordinance 2016-03. The Ethics Board would like the opportunity to provide input for any such revision.

BOARD MEMBER VACANCY

Brian Gabriel will reach out to the Executive Office and ask the status of the vacancy.

OTHER BUSINESS

Chair Amboyer talked to the Finance Director regarding accounting practices and fines.
NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING: AUGUST 16, 2017 - 8:45 A.M.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION
A motion was made by Dorie Vazquez-Nolan, supported by Brian Gabriel, to adjourn the meeting at 9:44 a.m. The Motion Carried.

Approved:

Donald J. Amboyer, Ph.D., Chairperson

Brian Gabriel, Secretary