MINUTES OF THE
MACOMB COUNTY ETHICS BOARD

Wednesday, August 19, 2015

A meeting of the Macomb County Ethics Board was held Wednesday, August 19, 2015, at 8:30 a.m., in the Conference Room, on the 2nd Floor of the Talmer Building, Mount Clemens, Michigan.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Amboyer called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

ROLL CALL

The following Members were present:

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

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

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION

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

APPROVAL OF JUNE 17, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by James McGrail, supported by Paddy Laske to approve the Minutes of June 17, 2015. The Motion Carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None
FUNDAMENTAL ETHICS ONLINE TRAINING UPDATE

Human Resources is currently working with the County’s IT Department and Syntrio on implementation. The Board can track training with Syntrio providing a list once a month showing who has completed it.

CUSTOMIZED CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT WORK ORDER

MOTION
A motion was made by Jim McGrail, supported by Dorie Vazquez-Nolan to pay Syntrio invoice up to $1050 for the creation of digitalizing and automating a Certificate of Achievement for the Fundamental Ethics online course. The Motion Carried.

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS BUDGET REVIEW MEETING

Don Amboyer and Jim McGrail attended the Board of Commissioners Government Operations Committee Meeting on July 14, 2015 to present the requested Ethics Board Budget for fiscal year 2016.

EDUCATIONAL POSTER AND BROCHURE UPDATE
Jim McGrail and Don Amboyer each presented two draft brochures to Board Members. It was decided that Jim McGrail would continue to meet with the staff of the County Graphics Department to possibly combine ideas of both preliminary drafts into another draft for subsequent discussion.

OTHER BUSINESS

Board Members decided to add “Table Top Exercise” to the monthly meeting agenda. The purpose is to discuss hypothetical case situations which could come before the Board as a form of in-service training.

Board Members also confirmed personal telephone numbers with one another. An ethics related newspaper story was discussed as well as one telephone inquiry.

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING: September 16, 2015 - 8:30 A.M.

The Board agreed that all future Ethics Board Meetings would promptly begin at 8:45 a.m.

CASE REVIEW

None

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION
A motion was made by Paddy Laske, supported by Dorie Vazquez-Nolan, to adjourn the meeting at 10:24 a.m. The Motion Carried.

Approved:

Donald J. Amboyer, Ph.D., Chair

James McGrail, Secretary