



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

MINUTES
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REGULAR TELEPHONIC MEETING
5th Floor Conference Room
July 22, 2020 3:30 P.M.

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Castagno was present via teleconference and called the meeting to order at 3:31 P.M. Commissioner Salvatore Bramante was present. Commissioners Michael Ajello, Stephen Penny and Andrew Cascudo were present via Webex. Agency staff was also present.

II. Executive Session per General Statutes §§ 1-200(6)(B) and (E), and 1-210(b)(1), (3),(4),(10) and General Statutes §9-7a, as amended by Public Act 11-48 §300 (Preliminary draft and agency consideration of enforcement action and exempt records relative thereto)

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny at 3:34 P.M. to proceed into Executive Session pursuant to General Statutes §§ 1-200(6)(B) and (E), and 1-210(b)(1),(3),(4),(10) to discuss strategy and negotiations with respect to pending claims and exempt records. So voted.

Commissioners Castagno, Ajello, Penny and Cascudo were present via Webex. Commissioner Bramante was present. Staff members present via teleconference were Kevin Ahern. Staff members present were Chelsea Ruzzo, Joshua Foley, Shannon Kief, Linda Waterman, Michael Brandi, and Sheri-Lyn Lagueux.

The Commission returned to public session at 3:44 P.M.

The Commission took the following actions in public session:

1. Recommendation of Counsel: Discussion of Candidate Committee Validation Memoranda

No action was taken.

III. Consideration of Application for Public Grants from the Citizens' Election Fund

A. New Applications

1. *"Aimee4Ridgefield," Aimee Berger-Girvalo*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for *"Aimee4Ridgefield," Aimee Berger-Girvalo*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

2. *"Eric Berthel for Senate," Eric Berthel*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for *"Eric Berthel for Senate," Eric Berthel*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

3. *"Brian Smith 2020," Brian Smith*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Brian Smith 2020," Brian Smith*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

4. *"DiGi for 74th," Michael DiGiovancarlo*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for *"DiGi for 74th," Michael DiGiovancarlo*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

5. *"PC 108," Patrick Callahan*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"PC 108," Patrick Callahan*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

6. *"Chafee 2020," Brandon Chafee*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Chafee 2020," Brandon Chafee*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

7. *"Fusco4CT," Joh Fusco*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Fusco4CT," Joh Fusco*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

8. *"Saunders for Senate," Brendan Saunders*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Saunders for Senate," Brendan Saunders*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

9. *“Arconti 2020,” David Arconti*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for *“Arconti 2020,” David Arconti*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

10. *“DeBarba for State Rep,” Daniel DeBarba*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for *“DeBarba for State Rep,” Daniel DeBarba*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

11. *“LaPorta for CT,” Joseph LaPorta*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“LaPorta for CT,” Joseph LaPorta*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

12. *“Rackliffe 4 CT 79,” David Rackliffe*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Rackliffe 4 CT 79,” David Rackliffe*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

13. *“KelvinAyalaForStateRep,” Kelvin Ayala*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for *“KelvinAyalaForStateRep,” Kelvin Ayala*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

14. *“Linehan2020,” Liz Linehan*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for *“Linehan2020,” Liz Linehan*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

15. *“Lacourciere for CT,” Richard Lacourciere*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for *“Lacourciere for CT,” Richard Lacourciere*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

16. *“Stallings for State Rep,” Craig Stallings*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for *“Stallings for State Rep,” Craig Stallings*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

17. *“Ethan Book for Bridgeport,” Ethan Book*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Ethan Book for Bridgeport,” Ethan Book*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

18. *“Pam Patalano for State Representative – District 45,” Pam Patalano*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Pam Patalano for State Representative – District 45,” Pam Patalano*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

19. *“Re-elect B McGee,” Brandon McGee*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Re-elect B McGee,” Brandon McGee*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

20. *“State Rep district 126th,” Tony Barr*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“State Rep district 126th,” Tony Barr*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

21. *“Will Duff for CT,” William Duff*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Will Duff for CT,” William Duff*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

B. Continuation of Prior Applications Awaiting Additional Information to Qualify for a Grant

1. *“April for CT Senate,” April Capone*
2. *“Rojas 2020,” Jason Rojas*
3. *“Hoyt for Hamden 2020,” Kathy Hoyt*
4. *“Christine Goupil 2020,” Christine Goupil*
5. *“Gale Mastrofrancesco for State Rep,” Gale Mastrofrancesco*
6. *“Henry for State Rep,” Henry Vassel*
7. *“Makeway4holloway2020,” Ernestine Holloway*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "*Makeway4holloway2020*," *Ernestine Holloway*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

8. "*Candelora for State Representative*," *Vincent Candelora*
9. "*Michael Camillo for State Rep.*," *Michael Camillo*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "*Michael Camillo for State Rep.*," *Michael Camillo*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

10. "*Montinieri 2020*," *Paul Montinieri*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "*Montinieri 2020*," *Paul Montinieri*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

11. "*NKD20*," *Nicole Klarides Ditria*
12. "*Martha2020*," *Martha Marx*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "*Martha2020*," *Martha Marx*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

13. "*PauChic2020*," *Paul Ciccarella*
14. "*Bob for State Rep.*," *Robert Hebert*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "*Bob for State Rep.*," *Robert Hebert*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

15. "*Friends of Robin Comey*," *Robin Comey*

It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "*Friends of Robin Comey*," *Robin Comey*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

16. "*Kathy Grant for State Representative*," *Kathy Grant*
17. "*Collins for the 55th*," *John Collins*

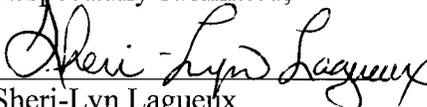
It was moved by Commissioner Bramante and seconded by Commissioner Penny to approve the grant application for "*Collins for the 55th*," *John Collins*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

IV. Consideration of Matters Discussed in Executive Session

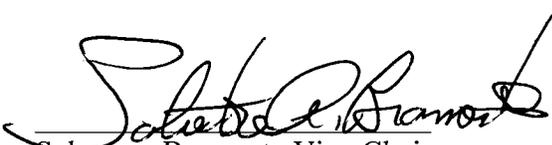
V. Adjournment

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Penny to adjourn the meeting at 4:06 P.M. Unless otherwise noted, all vote of the commission are unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,


Sheri-Lyn Laguette
Clerk of the Commission

Adopted this 5th day of August, 2020 at Hartford, Connecticut.


Salvatore Bramante Vice Chair
By Order of the Commission

The next regular scheduled meeting is July 24, 2020 at 3:30 P.M. in the 5th Floor Conference room.