



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

MINUTES
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REGULAR TELEPHONIC MEETING

Via Webex
September 14, 2022
3:30 P.M.

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Penny was present via Webex and called the meeting to order at 3:31 P.M. Commissioners Michael Ajello, Shannon Berquist and Greg Piecuch were present via Webex. Agency staff was also present and present via Webex.

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 Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist at 3:33 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 by a vote of 5-0-0.

Commissioners Stephen Penny, Michael Ajello, Shannon Bergquist and Greg Piecuch were present via Webex. Staff members present via Webex were Michael J. Brandi, William B. Smith, Kevin Ahern, Joshua Foley, Paul Brady, Lisa Drew, Salman Munir, Shannon Kief, Stephen Palmer and Sheri-Lyn Lagueux.

The Commission returned to public session at 3:51 P.M.

Returning to public session the Commission took the following action:

Commissioner Penny added to the agenda in section III.B. #13 & 14 "*Cabrera SD17, Jorge Cabrera and Matt Lesser for 9th State Senate, Matt Lesser.*"

1. Recommendation of Counsel: Necessary to Investigate Determination pursuant to General Statutes §9-7a, as amended by Public Act 11-48 §300

Attorney William B. Smith summarized the Recommendation of Counsel dated September 7, 2022 and requested that eight (8) matters be moved to investigate.

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to make a determination that it is necessary to investigate

violations relating to eight (8) complaints for File Nos. 2022-038; 2022-039; 2022-040; 2022-041; 2022-042; 2022-043; 2022-044 and 2022-045. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

2. 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. *"Jessica Kordas for Attorney General," Jessica Kordas*

It was moved by Commissioner Picuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Jessica Kordas for Attorney General," Jessica Kordas*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

2. *"Mary Fay 4 CT," Mary Fay*

It was moved by Commissioner Picuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Mary Fay 4 CT," Mary Fay*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

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

1. *"Arnone for Enfield," Thomas Arnone*

It was moved by Commissioner Picuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *"Arnone for Enfield," Thomas Arnone*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

2. *"parkin4milford2022," Jeffrey Parkin*

It was moved by Commissioner Picuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *"parkin4milford2022," Jeffrey Parkin*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

3. *"Peter Sherr for CT House," Peter Sherr*

It was moved by Commissioner Picuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *"Peter Sherr for CT House," Peter Sherr*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

4. *“Roberts for 137th District,” Kadeem Roberts*

It was moved by Commissioner Piccuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *“Roberts for 137th District,” Kadeem Roberts*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

5. *“Gary 2022,” Gary Winfield*

It was moved by Commissioner Piccuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *“Gary 2022,” Gary Winfield*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

6. *“Sanchez 2022,” Bobby Sanchez*

It was moved by Commissioner Piccuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *“Sanchez 2022,” Bobby Sanchez*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

7. *“Cooley for Connecticut,” Francis Cooley*

It was moved by Commissioner Piccuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *“Cooley for Connecticut,” Francis Cooley*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

8. *“Genga 2022,” Henry Genga*

It was moved by Commissioner Piccuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *“Genga 2022,” Henry Genga*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

9. *“Raghib 2022,” Raghib Allie-Brennan*

It was moved by Commissioner Piccuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *“Raghib 2022,” Raghib Allie-Brennan*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

10. *“Desmarais 2022,” Jeffrey Desmarais*

It was moved by Commissioner Piccuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *“Desmarais 2022,” Jeffrey Desmarais*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

11. *“Manny 2022,” Manny Sanchez*

It was moved by Commissioner Piccuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *“Manny 2022,” Manny Sanchez*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

12. *“Lauf4CT,” Matthew Lauf*

It was moved by Commissioner Picuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *“Lauf4CT,” Matthew Lauf*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

13. *“Cabrera SD17,” Jorge Cabrera*

It was moved by Commissioner Picuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *“Cabrera SD17,” Jorge Cabrera Lauf*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

14. *“Matt Lesser for 9th State Senate,” Matt Lesser*

It was moved by Commissioner Picuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist approve the grant application for *“Cabrera SD17,” Jorge Cabrera Lauf*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

IV. Consideration of Matters Discussed in Executive Session

V. Adjournment

It was moved by Commissioner Picuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist at 4:04 P.M. to adjourn the meeting. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0. Unless otherwise noted, all votes of the Commission are unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by,



Sheri-Lyn Lagueux
Clerk of the State Elections Enforcement Commission

September 21, 2022

Date approved
(By the State Elections Enforcement Commission)

The next regular scheduled meeting is September 21, 2022 at 9:30 A.M. via Webex.