



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

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MINUTES  
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION  
SPECIAL MEETING

Via Webex  
June 5, 2024  
3:30 P.M.

**I. Call to Order**

Commissioner Penny was present via Webex and called the meeting to order at 3:48 P.M. Commissioners Ajello, Bergquist, and Picuch 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 Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Picuch at 3:50 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 4-0-0.

Commissioners Penny, Ajello, Bergquist, and Picuch were present via Webex. Staff members present via Webex were: Michael Brandi, Executive Director & General Counsel, Sheri-Lyn Lagueux, Shannon Clark Kief, Legal Program Director, Salman Munir, Director of Audit & Disclosure, Josh Foley, Patricia Mwilwa, Stephen Palmer, Renata Rydzewski, Reichard Bramande and Maryam Bitar.

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

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

No action was necessary.

**III. Consideration of Application for Public Grants from the Citizens' Election Fund**  
**A. New Applications**

1. *“Menapace for CT 2024,” Nick Menapace*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Menapace for CT 2024,” Nick Menapace*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

2. *“Team Turco,” Gary Turco*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to approve the grant application for *“Team Turco,” Gary Turco*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

3. *“Vote LaMark Muir,” Mary Renee LaMark Muir*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Vote LaMark Muir,” Mary Renee LaMark Muir*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

4. *“Maria Horn for 64,” Maria Horn*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to approve the grant application for *“Maria Horn for 64,” Maria Horn*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

5. *“Rob for CT,” Robert Blanchard*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Rob for CT,” Robert Blanchard*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

6. *“Werstler2024,” Ethan Werstler*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Werstler2024,” Ethan Werstler*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

7. *“Gilchrest 2024” Jillian Gilchrest*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Gilchrest 2024” Jillian Gilchrest*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

8. *“Kate for CT,” Kate Farrar*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to approve the grant application for *“Kate for CT,” Kate Farrar*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

9. *"BobHforthe58th," Robert Hendrickson*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to approve the grant application for *"BobHforthe58th," Robert Hendrickson*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

10. *"Committee to Elect Mark W. Anderson," Mark Anderson*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to approve the grant application for *"Committee to Elect Mark W. Anderson," Mark Anderson*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

11. *"DeCaprio4CT48th," Mark DeCaprio*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"DeCaprio4CT48th," Mark DeCaprio*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

12. *"Geoff 2024," Geoffrey Luxenberg*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Geoff 2024," Geoffrey Luxenberg*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

13. *"Gresko 2024," Joseph Gresko*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Gresko 2024," Joseph Gresko*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

14. *"Jennifer Leeper 2024," Jennifer Leeper*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to approve the grant application for *"Jennifer Leeper 2024," Jennifer Leeper*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

15. *"King 2024," Steven King*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to approve the grant application for *"King 2024," Steven King*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

16. *"Longo for State Rep," Melissa Longo*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Piecuch to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Longo for State Rep," Melissa Longo*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

17. *“McCrorry For Senate,” Douglas McCrorry*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Picuch to approve the grant application for *“McCrorry For Senate,” Douglas McCrorry*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

18. *“Rebecca for Rep 2024,” Rebecca Martinez*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Picuch to continue without prejudice the grant application for *“Rebecca for Rep 2024,” Rebecca Martinez*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

19. *“Rutigliano For Trumbull,” David Rutigliano*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Picuch to approve the grant application for *“Rutigliano For Trumbull,” David Rutigliano*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

20. *“Saud Anwar for State Senate 2024,” Saud Anwar*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Picuch to approve the grant application for *“Saud Anwar for State Senate 2024,” Saud Anwar*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

21. *“Steve Weir for CT 24,” Stephen Weir*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Picuch to approve the grant application for *“Steve Weir for CT 24,” Stephen Weir*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

22. *“Tony Scott for State Rep,” Tony Scott*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Picuch to approve the grant application for *“Tony Scott for State Rep,” Tony Scott*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

***IV. Consideration of Matters Discussed in Executive Session***

***V. Adjournment***

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Asare at 4:09 P.M. to adjourn the meeting. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

Respectfully submitted by,



Sheri-Lyn Lagueux

Clerk of the State Elections Enforcement Commission

**June 26, 2024**

Date approved

(By the State Elections Enforcement Commission)