



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

MINUTES
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REGULAR MEETING
July 22, 2026
3:30 PM

I. Call to Order

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

Commissioner Penny added to the agenda "*Ritter 2026*," *Matthew D. Ritter* as item III.B.03 in Public Session and "*Re-Elect Dave*," *David W. Yaccarino* as item III.B.04 in Public Session.

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.
(Preliminary draft and agency consideration of enforcement action and exempt records relative thereto)

Executive session was not convened.

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

No action taken.

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

A. New Applications

1. "*Stephanie Thomas for CT*," Stephanie Thomas

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for "*Stephanie Thomas for CT*," Stephanie Thomas. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

2. *"Cardillo 2026," Chad Cardillo*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Cardillo 2026," Chad Cardillo*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

3. *"Mary for the 79th," Mary Fortier*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Mary for the 79th," Mary Fortier*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

4. *"Poulos for Southington 2026," Christopher J. Poulos*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Poulos for Southington 2026," Christopher J. Poulos*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

5. *"Tony in 26," Tony J. Emilio*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Tony in 26," Tony J. Emilio*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

6. *"Friends of Travis Simms," Travis Simms*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Friends of Travis Simms," Travis Simms*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

7. *"Re-Elect Zullo 2026," Joseph H. Zullo*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Re-Elect Zullo 2026," Joseph H. Zullo*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

8. *"Savet for CT," Savet Constantine*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Savet for CT," Savet Constantine*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

9. *"Mike France 2026," Mike France*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Mike France 2026," Mike France*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

10. *"Concepcion for Hartford 2026," Julio A. Concepcion*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Concepcion for Hartford 2026," Julio A. Concepcion*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

11. *"Rich Mette 22," Richard Mette*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Rich Mette 22," Richard Mette*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

12. *"Farley for Danbury," Farley A. Santos*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Farley for Danbury," Farley A. Santos*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

13. *"Kilmartin for 122," Amanda Kilmartin*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Kilmartin for 122," Amanda Kilmartin*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

14. *"Lee Goldstein CT," Lee Goldstein*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Lee Goldstein CT," Lee Goldstein*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

15. *"WEAVER2026," Owen Weaver*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"WEAVER2026," Owen Weaver*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

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

1. *"Committee to Re-Elect Senator John Kissel," John A. Kissel*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Committee to Re-Elect Senator John Kissel," John A. Kissel*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

2. *"Protect Connecticut," Aaron W. Zimmer*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Protect Connecticut," Aaron W. Zimmer*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

3. *"Ritter 2026," Matthew D. Ritter*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Ritter 2026," Matthew D. Ritter*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

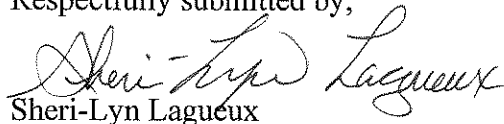
4. *"Re-Elect Dave," David W. Yaccarino*

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Re-Elect Dave," David W. Yaccarino*. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

IV. Adjournment

It was moved by Commissioner Piecuch and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist at 3:52 P.M. to adjourn the meeting. So voted by a vote of 5-0-0.

Respectfully submitted by,



Sheri-Lyn Laguerx

Clerk of the State Elections Enforcement Commission

August 5, 2026

Date approved

(By the State Elections Enforcement Commission)