



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE ELECTIONS ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION

MINUTES
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REGULAR MEETING
July 29, 2026
3:30 PM

I. Call to Order

Commissioner Penny was present via Teams and called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM. Commissioners Michael Ajello, Shannon Bergquist, and Greg Piecuch were present via Teams. Agency staff were also present and present via Teams.

Commissioner Penny added to the agenda "Sam in 26," Samantha Nestor as item III.B.02 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. "Corey for Torrington," Edward Corey

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Corey for Torrington," Edward Corey. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

2. "Re-elect Gaston 2026," Herron Gaston

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to continue without prejudice the grant application for "Re-elect Gaston 2026," Herron Gaston. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

3. *"Brown 2026," Marcus A. Brown*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Brown 2026," Marcus A. Brown,* "Candidate Name. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

4. *"Jenn Jennings 4 Senate," Jenn Jennings*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Jenn Jennings 4 Senate," Jenn Jennings.* So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

5. *"PaulChic2026," Paul C. Cicarella*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"PaulChic2026," Paul C. Cicarella.* So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

6. *"Slap For Senate 2026," Derek M. Slap*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Slap For Senate 2026," Derek M. Slap.* So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to initiate an investigation Pursuant to General Statutes § 9-7b (a), the Commission moves, on its own initiative, to initiate an investigation into possible violations of Chapter 155, including but not limited to, § 9-622 (7) and (10), and the requirements of Chapter 157 of the General Statutes concerning the conflicting contributor certification information submitted on behalf of *Slap For Senate 2026* in its grant application to participate in the Citizens' Election Program.

7. *"Billie Miller 2026," Patricia Billie Miller*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Billie Miller 2026," Patricia Billie Miller.* So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

8. *"Delnicki for South Windsor," Tom Delnicki*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Delnicki for South Windsor," Tom Delnicki.* So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

9. *"Elect Michael Mason 2026," Michael Mason*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Elect Michael Mason 2026," Michael Mason*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

10. *"Hopkins for State Representative," Brooke Hopkins*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Hopkins for State Representative," Brooke Hopkins*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

11. *"Boyd 2026," Patrick S. Boyd*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Boyd 2026," Patrick S. Boyd*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

12. *"DiGi for the 74th," Michael DiGiovancarlo*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"DiGi for the 74th," Michael DiGiovancarlo*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

13. *"Godfrey 26," Bob Godfrey*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to continue without prejudice the grant application for *"Godfrey 26," Bob Godfrey*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

14. *"Napoli 2026," Ronald Napoli, Jr.*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Napoli 2026," Ronald Napoli, Jr.* So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

15. *"Rob for CT," Robert S. Blanchard*

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for *"Rob for CT," Robert S. Blanchard*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

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

1. "Friends of Travis Simms," Travis Simms

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for "*Friends of Travis Simms*," Travis Simms. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

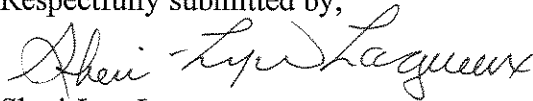
2. "Sam in 26," Samantha Nestor

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist to approve the grant application for "*Sam in 26*," *Samantha Nestor*. So voted by a vote of 4-0-0.

IV. Adjournment

It was moved by Commissioner Ajello and seconded by Commissioner Bergquist at 3:53 PM 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

August 5, 2026

Date approved

(By the State Elections Enforcement Commission)