



DeKalb County
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Board of Ethics
of DeKalb County

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**DeKalb County Board of Ethics
Special Called Meeting**

Wednesday November 17, 2021

6:00 p.m.

Zoom meeting

Minutes

Members Present:

Lonnie Edwards, Sr. – Board Chair
David Moskowitz – Board Vice Chair
Ambreen Delawalla
Eric Maurer
Rosa Darden Waymon
Nadine Ali

Alternate Members Present:

Michelle Long-Spears
Candace Walker

Board Affiliates Present:

Stacey Kalberman, Ethics Officer
LaTonya Nix Wiley, Deputy Ethics Officer
Kristin Rodgers, Ethics Administrator

County Technology Personnel Present:

John Matelski
2Host

Attendees

240-422-0210
404-707-4055
678-719-1429
BB
David Metzger
Jeffrey Thomas
Kenneth Gobin
Kwasi Obeng
LaDawn Richardson

Larry Foster
Leticia Beatty
M. Cooper
M. Whichard
Marcus Allen
Mario Evans
Mary Hinkel
Mel-Christopher Young
My Zoom
Portia
Janet Essix
Joe Hughes
Rhea Johnson
Stephen Binney

Agenda

I. Adoption of Agenda

Motion was made by Ambreen Delawalla to approve the amended November 17, 2021 Agenda, to rename the Probable Cause hearings portion to Probable Cause Updates, seconded by Nadine Ali. Candace Rodgers abstained. Motion passed by 6-1 vote

II. Approval of the Minutes of the October 21, 2021 Meeting

Motion was made by Rosa Darden Waymon to approve the October 21, 2021 Minutes, seconded by Nadine Ali. Motion passed by 7-0 vote

III. Ethics Cases

A. Request for Dismissal

1. Billy Hampton v. Janet Essix [2019-5]

Ethics Officer Stacey Kalberman requested dismissal of the Billy Hampton v. Janet Essix [2019-5] case. The floor was opened for discussion.

Motion was made by David Moskowitz to dismiss the Billy Hampton v. Janet Essix [2019-5] case, seconded by Eric Maurer. Motion passed by 7-0 vote

2. LaTashae Walker v. Colet Odenigbo [2019-3]

Ethics Officer Stacey Kalberman requested dismissal of the LaTashae Walker v. Colet Odenigbo [2019-3] case. The floor was opened for discussion.

Motion was made by David Moskowitz to dismiss the LaTashae Walker v. Colet Odenigbo [2019-3] case, seconded by Ambreen Delawalla. Motion passed by 7-0 vote

B. Probable Cause updates

- 1. Atlanta Air Tours, LLC v. Mario A. Evans [2021-5]**
- 2. Malcolm Whichard v. Ozell Hayes/Rashad Cash [2021-4]**

Deputy Ethics Officer LaTonya Nix-Wiley provided updates on cases Atlanta Air Tours, LLC v. Mario A. Evans [2021-5] and Malcolm Whichard v. Ozell Hayes/Rashad Cash [2021-4]; and advised that these cases will appear on the December 2021 Agenda.

The floor was opened for discussion.

IV. Executive Session

Motion was made by David Moskowitz to convene an Executive Session for litigation purposes, seconded by Candace Rodgers. Motion passed by 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by David Moskowitz to adjourn an Executive Session, seconded by Nadine Ali. Motion passed by 7-0 vote.

Motion was made by Nadine Ali to approve the execution of the Affidavit of Executive Session, seconded by David Moskowitz. Motion passed by 7-0 vote.

V. Public Comments

Stephen Binney, 1083 Seville Dr. Clarkston, GA, Rhea Johnson, 2546 Wilson Woods Dr. Decatur, GA, made public comments.

Assistant Deputy Director LaTonya Nix-Wiley made comments to clarify the legality of the Executive Session Affidavit, and that the Affidavit will be executed by the Board Chair and a part of this meeting's official record.

VI. Comments/Questions from Board Members

Alternate Board member Michelle Long-Spears made comments regarding updates regarding a change in alternate Board member functions, as discussed at a previous Board meeting. Mrs. Spears also spoke regarding the process for replacing Board members whose terms are expiring. Board chair Lonnie Edwards made comments in response to Mrs. Spears comments stating that all concerns are being addressed by the Board.

VII. Adjournment

Motion was made by David Moskowitz to adjourn the November 17, 2021 Board of Ethics Special Called Meeting at 7:27 p.m., seconded by Nadine Ali. Motion passed by 7-0 vote.

Approved:

Chair

Date