



MONTGOMERY COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION

Public Meeting, June 26, 2024

In-person only meeting, Council Office Building Room 114

Minutes

IN ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners:

Elizabeth Kellar, Chair
Rahul Goel, Vice-Chair
Susan Beard
Frederic Gallun
Kenita Barrow

Staff Members:

Erin O'Connor, Staff Director/Chief Counsel

Item 1. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by the Chair.

Item 2. The minutes from the May 8 meeting were approved as presented.

Item 3. The Commission discussed ways to improve the uniformity of conditions placed upon approved outside employment. Ms. O'Connor will work with Commissioner Gallun to rewrite frequently used conditions based on language contained within the ethics law. That document will be circulated to the rest of the Commission for comment and further discussion.

Item 4. Ms. O'Connor updated the Commission on the Office of Human Resources' recent decision to allow the reclassification of the Ethics Commission Program Manager I to a Program Manager II. Ms. O'Connor explained the next steps in the process and expressed the hope that one or more Commissioners would participate in the hiring process.

Item 5. Ms. O'Connor briefly updated the Commission on the status of the financial disclosure program, the lobbying program and the education program.

The open meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm to conduct administrative matters.

In the administrative meeting, the Commission approved most of the outside employment requests. One request is on hold awaiting a response from the requester, and another requires more information before the Commission will act on the request.

The Commission approved a routine waiver request.

The Commission discussed updates to two prior matters.

The administrative meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin O'Connor
Staff Director/Chief Counsel