

Baltimore City Ethics Board  
626 City Hall  
Baltimore, MD 21202  
September 6, 2017

**Minutes of the Public Session**

The Ethics Board met on September 6, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Department of Legislative Reference, 626 City Hall, Baltimore, Maryland.

**Call to Order** - Chairperson, Lu Pierson, called to order the meeting of the Baltimore City Ethics Board at 3:05 p.m. with a quorum present. Present were Board members Lu Pierson, Dawna Cobb and Stephen Fogelman. Avery Aisenstark, Executive Director of the Ethics Board and Thaddeus Watulak, Deputy Ethics Director were also present.

**Approval of the minutes:** Minutes of the July meeting with minor changes were approved by a vote of 4-0.

**Chair's report:** There is no Chair's report.

**Director's report:**

1. Corrective Bill- Article 8 Inclusions- Article 8, Section 3-21 is the section at issue. The word "initial" was inserted to clarify that the conflicts affidavit is required upon an official's initial appointment. The Board voted 3-0 to approve this clarifying language.

2. Board nominees-The Mayor's nominee is scheduled for September 13, 2017 hearing before the City Council Executive Appointments Committee. The paperwork for the Comptroller's nominee has been submitted. It is possible but not certain that both nominees will appear before the Appointments Committee that day. Confirmation by the full council will be on September 18, 2017.

## **Solicitations**

**Councilmember Burnett-Back to School BBQ-**The Board approved this solicitation between meetings by vote of 4-0.

**MOHS-Journey Home-**The Board approved this solicitation between meetings by vote of 4-0.

**Informal Opinion request from M.B.-**Board staff reviewed the request and shared with the Board the determination that no conflict exists because termination of certain relationships at issue rendered the situation moot. The Board concurred.

**Upcoming meeting-** The next Board meeting will be October 4 at 10 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 3:36 p.m.