

Baltimore City Ethics Board
626 City Hall
Baltimore, MD 21202
July 13, 2016

Minutes of the Public Session

The Ethics Board met on July 13, 2016 at 1:00 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 1:15 p.m. with a quorum present. Present were Board members Lu Pierson, Dawna Cobb and Guy Flynn. Also present were Avery Aisenstark, Executive Director of the Ethics Board, Thaddeus Watulak, Deputy Director of the Ethics Board.

A. Approval of Minutes from June-The Board approved the June 2016 minutes with a minor change by a vote of 3-0.

B. Chair's Report-There is no report.

C. Director's Status Updates

1. **Pending Legislation- Bill 16-0613**- this bill concerns a variety of technical corrections to various sections of Article 8 of the Ethics Code as part of the annual review of the City Code.
2. **Pending Legislation-Bill 15- 0568** -Mr. Watulak reported that he spoke with the President's Office, which has not heard from Human Resources (HR). The President's Office is inclined to submit the bill if it does not receive HR's comments within a reasonable time.
3. **Board member resignation**- Mr. Lee's resignation from the Board was accepted by the Board members present.

D. Combined Charity Regulation Request-The Board voted 3-0 to

approve a draft regulation that provides an exemption from the gift solicitation prohibition and existing charitable solicitation procedures for the successor to the Combined Charity Campaign subject to final review.

E. The next meeting will be September 7, 2016 at 3 pm.

F. The meeting was adjourned 2:00 p.m.