



Denver Board Of Ethics

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**DENVER BOARD OF ETHICS
MINUTES
MEETING OF JUNE 19, 2019**

Chair Patrick Tooley called the meeting of the Denver Board of Ethics to order at 8:00 am in Conference Room 2 D 4 of the Wellington Webb Municipal Office Building. Also present were Board Members Julia Hoffmeier, Andrew Armatas, Sylvia Smith and Dianne Criswell. Also in attendance were Executive Director Michael Henry and Assistant City Attorney Lori Weiser.

1. The minutes of the Board’s May 15, 2019 meeting were moved, seconded and approved.
2. Patrick Tooley thanked the other Board members for their service as he departs from the Board at the conclusion of his term. The other Board members and the Executive Director all remarked on his fine leadership during his time on the Board.
3. Mr. Tooley and the other Board members announced that Lori Weiser, the Board’s legal advisor for the last five years, has been hired by the Board as its next Executive Director after Michael Henry retires on August 30, 2019. She will overlap with him in “dual incumbency” from August 5 to August 30. Everyone welcomed her into her upcoming new role.
4. Presiding County Court Judge Theresa Spahn swore in Joseph Michaels as a new member of the Board of Ethics to replace Patrick Tooley. Mr. Michaels is a Senior Assistant Colorado Attorney General and a member of the Ethics Committee of the Colorado Bar Association.
5. The Board discussed with Matthew Daniels of the Public Works Department his request for an advisory opinion regarding subsequent employment.
6. The Board and Thomas Fenstermacher, a superintendent in the General Services Department, discussed his request for an advisory opinion regarding supervision by one family member of another.
7. Gary Hinderliter, a Manager in the Office of Human Resources, introduced himself as the newly-assigned representative to deal with HR issues for the Board of Ethics,

Executive Director
L. Michael Henry

Board Members
Julia C. Hoffmeier – Chair
Joseph Michaels – Vice Chair
Dianne Criswell
Andrew S. Armatas
Sylvia Smith

to succeed Vonn Vititoe. The Executive Director expressed appreciation for the work that Ms. Vititoe has done to help him and the Board.

8. Vilma Balnyte, Kristin McCormack and Tyson Fausson of the Auditor's Office, who are doing a performance audit of Denver's Citywide Ethics Program, invited the Board, the Executive Director and Lori Weiser to attend an entrance conference to discuss the audit.
9. The Board discussed, by telephone conference call, with Sean Mayo, a former employee of Denver International Airport, his request for an advisory opinion regarding subsequent employment.
10. The Board had a telephone conference call to discuss a request by Tony Deconinck, an airport employee, his request for an advisory opinion about possible subsequent employment.
11. The Board elected Vice-Chair Julia Hoffmeier as Chair of the Board and Joseph Michaels as Vice-Chair.
12. Ms. Hoffmeier regretfully advised the Board that she has found it necessary to resign from the Board effective September 1, 2019, due to increasing work obligations as counsel to a public company, its board and its committees. Michael Henry indicated that he will advise the Board of Ethics Nomination Committee of the pending vacancy and work with the committee to publish a Notice of Vacancy to solicit applications.
13. The Board discussed possible changes in its monthly meeting time to accommodate schedules of all Board members. The Board decided to move its monthly meeting time to the second Wednesday of each month at 8:00am (changed from the third Wednesday), except that it will be on October 16, 2019 (instead of October 9) in order to avoid Yom Kippur.
14. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 am.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael Henry".

Michael Henry
Executive Director

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Approved by the Board of Ethics on August 14, 2019