

COLORADO INDEPENDENT ETHICS COMMISSION

Minutes of the May 6, 2009 Meeting
633 17th Street, Room 12A, 10 a.m.
Denver, Colorado

Present: Commissioners Matt Smith, chair; Roy Wood, vice chair; Nancy Friedman; Sally H. Hopper (excused until 11:30 a.m.); Larry R. Lasha

Also Present: Jane T. Feldman, Executive Director of the IEC; James Carr of the Colorado Attorney General's Office

I. GENERAL BUSINESS

1. The meeting commenced at 10:10 a.m. It was moved, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the agenda of the open session portion of the May 6, 2009 meeting.
2. There was a discussion of the minutes of the open session portion of the April 21, 2009 meeting. It was moved, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the open session portion of the April 21, 2009 meeting as amended.
3. Executive Director's Report:
 - a. The Executive Director reported on the status of the hiring of the Assistant Director and the reallocation of the Executive Director's position. There was a discussion of the testing process for the Assistant Director position. The Commission requested that Georgia Adame from DPA's Human Resources Unit be invited to the next meeting.
 - b. Ms. Feldman reported on the status of the FY10 budget, noting that the Commission's budget had not been cut in the final version of the budget as signed by the Governor. There will be less money in the budget for FY10 than there was in FY09 in the legal services and operating lines. Ms. Feldman was directed to draw up a proposed budget for next fiscal year.
 - c. Ms. Feldman reported on efforts to pay the overage on the conflicts counsel budget. There was a consensus that the Commission should pay the entire amount owed if possible.
 - d. Ms. Feldman reported on her presentation to the Department of Public Safety. Commissioner Wood expressed an interest in being present at all future presentations.

4. There was no other business.

5. It was moved, seconded and passed unanimously to enter into Executive Session at 10:45 a.m.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION BUSINESS

The Commission met in Executive Session from 10:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

III. GENERAL BUSINESS

The Commission returned to Open Session at 2:45 p.m.

1. It was moved, seconded and passed unanimously to approve Advisory Opinion 09-05 (Acceptance of a Fellowship from a Nonprofit Entity), subject to correction of typographical and scrivener errors.

The Commission adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

Next meeting: May 19, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. at 633 17th Street, Room 12A Denver, CO.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane T. Feldman
Executive Director