

SUNSHINE LAW MEETING
MINUTES OF THE HAWAII STATE ETHICS COMMISSION

STATE OF HAWAII

Date: Thursday, May 17, 2018

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Place: Hawaii State Ethics Commission Conference Room
American Savings Bank Tower
1001 Bishop Street, Suite 960
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Present: State Ethics Commission Members

Reynard D. Graulty, Chair
Ruth D. Tschumy, Vice Chair
Susan N. DeGuzman, Commissioner
David O'Neal, Commissioner
Melinda S. Wood, Commissioner

State Ethics Commission Staff

Daniel M. Gluck, Executive Director
Susan D. Yoza, Associate Director
Virginia M. Chock, Staff Attorney
Bonita Y.M. Chang, Staff Attorney
Kee M. Campbell, Staff Attorney
Pat K. Mukai, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

Agenda Item No. I: Consideration and Approval of the Minutes of the April 19, 2018, Meeting

Commissioner Wood made and Commissioner O'Neal seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2018 Sunshine Law meeting. The motion carried unanimously (Graulty, Tschumy, O'Neal, and Wood voting; DeGuzman abstaining).

Agenda Item No. II: Executive Director's Report

Education / Training Report

Executive Director Gluck reported that 80 people attended the training session in Hilo on May 14, and that staff would conduct four trainings in total in May.

Guidance and Assignment Statistics – April 2018

Attachment 2: 2018 Guidance and Assignment Statistics

Executive Director Gluck reported a steady number of requests for guidance and other new cases.

Miscellaneous Office Projects / Updates

a. Electronic Filing System

Executive Director Gluck reported that the staff are beginning the work to expand the current system to lobbying registrations/reports, and that he may direct some of the Commission's excess funds for the 2017-2018 fiscal year be used to purchase some additional consulting services to assist in building out the new system.

b. Office Improvements

Executive Director Gluck reported that staff had solicited quotes to install new carpeting in the office, but that the bids were all approximately \$25,000 and he did not believe the expense was justified – the existing carpet is unsightly, but still functional. He noted that the staff was investigating a modification to the office to improve office safety.

Agenda Item No. III: Legislative Update

Executive Director Gluck reported that none of the Commission's proposed bills were adopted, and that one measure opposed by the Commission was similarly defeated.

Agenda Item No IV: Administrative Rules

1. Report from Permitted Interaction Group ("PIG") regarding proposed amendments to Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 21, Chapter 10.

Attachment 2: PIG Report and Draft of Chapter 10

Associate Director Yoza stated that the Commission could vote to accept the PIG's report on Chapter 10 at this time, but that discussion would occur at a later meeting.

Vice Chair Tschumy made and Commissioner DeGuzman seconded a motion to accept the Report from the Permitted Interaction Group regarding proposed amendments to Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 21, Chapter 10. The motion carried unanimously (Grauly, Tschumy, DeGuzman, O'Neal, and Wood voting).

2. Discussion of Report from PIG regarding proposed amendments to Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 21, Chapters 7-9.

Attachment 3: PIG Report and Draft of Chapters 7-9

Associate Director Yoza stated that, insofar as the Commission accepted the PIG report at its last meeting, the Commission could discuss the PIG's report at this meeting.

Commissioner DeGuzman asked whether the rules – particularly, § 21-7-3 – ought to address money lei specifically. Executive Director Gluck agreed with the suggestion and proposed adding the phrase “other than a money lei” in the rule. Executive Director Gluck also explained that the Commission would have an opportunity to review the full draft of all ten proposed chapters at a future meeting.

Commissioner O'Neal made and Commissioner DeGuzman seconded a motion to approve the Report from the Permitted Interaction Group regarding proposed amendments to Hawaii Administrative Rules, Title 21, Chapters 7-9, as amended. The motion carried unanimously (Grauly, Tschumy, DeGuzman, O'Neal, and Wood voting).

ADJOURNMENT OF SUNSHINE LAW MEETING

At 10:08 a.m., Commissioner Wood made and Commissioner DeGuzman seconded a motion to adjourn the Sunshine Law meeting. The motion carried unanimously (Grauly, Tschumy, DeGuzman, O'Neal, and Wood voting).

The meeting was adjourned at 10:08 a.m.

Minutes approved on: June 21, 2018