OKLAHOMA ETHICS COMMISSION NOVEMBER 2, 2023, MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING

1. Call to Order.

Upon notice, with the agenda being properly posted at the Commission office at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the commencement of the meeting and notice being filed at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance with the Office of the Secretary of State, a special meeting of the Ethics Commission of the State of Oklahoma ["Commission"] was called to order on Thursday, November 2, 2023, at 12:00 p.m. Chair Jarred Brejcha ["Brejcha"] opened the meeting, which was held in Room G-3 of the State Capitol Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Determination of Quorum.

Roll was called to determine the existence of a quorum for the transaction of business. Commissioners answering present were Gregg Engle ["Engle"], Justin Meek ["Meek"], Eddie Fields ["Fields"], Howard Johnson ["Johnson"] and Brejcha. A quorum of members was declared.

Staff & Visitors.

Commission staff members present at all, or part of the meeting were Ashley Kemp ["Kemp"], and Diana Diaz.

Observing all or part of the meeting in person: Charles Outlaw, LegisOK; Warren Goldman, City of Weatherford Commissioner; Mindy Wood, Media; Michael McNutt, Media; Shawn Ashley, Media; and Thomas Schneider, Attorney.

2. Open Meeting Act Compliance.

Chair Brejcha reviewed the Affidavit of Posting of the Agenda for the meeting prepared by the staff and affirmed the meeting and Agenda complied with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act.

3. Introductions and Announcements.

None.

4. Determination to enter Executive Session.

The information to be discussed in agenda item 5 meets the requirements for executive session pursuant to Title 25 O.S. § 307 (B)(1) for the purposed of "discussing the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of any individual salaried public officer or employee," specifically to discuss and evaluate individual applicants for the position of Executive director as identified in agenda item 5.

Motion: Commissioner Engle moved for Commissioners and the Executive Director to enter executive session in the Ethics Commission Office, Room G-27 to discuss the matters listed for agenda item 5.

Second: Commissioner Meek.

Roll Call vote: Engle- yes, Meek- yes, Fields- yes, Johnson- yes, Brejcha - yes.

Motion carried to go into Executive/Closed session at 12:02 p.m.

5. Executive Session.

6. Action to return to Open Session.

Motion: Commissioner Fields moved to reconvene in Open Session at 1:42 p.m.

Second: Commissioner Engle.

Roll call vote: Fields – yes, Engle- yes, Meek - yes, Johnson – yes, Brejcha- yes.

Motion carried.

7. <u>Disqualification & Recusal for Executive Session.</u>

None.

8. Consideration, discussion, and possible action on the following items considered in executive session.

Motion: Commissioner Johnson moved to interview applicant #4 for the position of executive director at the next regular meeting, November 17, 2023.

Second: Commissioner Meek.

Roll call vote: Johnson – yes, Meek- yes, Fields – yes, Engle – yes, Brejcha – yes

Motion carried.

Motion: Commissioner Fields moved to interview applicant #3 for the position of executive director at the next regular meeting.

Second: Commissioner Engle.

Roll call vote: Fields – yes, Engle- yes, Meek- no, Johnson – no, Brejcha – no

Motion failed.

Motion: Commissioner Engle moved to interview applicant #5 for the position of executive director at the next regular meeting.

Second: Commissioner Johnson.

Roll call vote: Engle -yes, Johnson - yes, Meek - yes, Fields - yes, Brejcha - yes

Motion carried.

Motion: Commissioner Fields moved to interview applicant #6 for the position of executive director at the next regular meeting.

Second: Commissioner Johnson.

Roll call vote: Fields – yes, Johnson – yes, Meek – yes, Engle – yes, Brejcha – yes

Motion carried.

Motion: Commissioner Meek moved to interview applicant #8 for the position of executive director at the next regular meeting.

Second: Commissioner Fields.

Roll call vote: Meek – yes, Fields – yes, Johnson – yes, Engle – yes, Brejcha – yes

Motion carried.

Motion: Commissioner Johnson moved to interview applicant #10 for the position of executive director at the next regular meeting.

Second: Commissioner Meek.

Roll call vote: Johnson – yes, Meek – yes, Fields – yes, Engle – yes, Brejcha – yes

Motion carried.

Motion: Commissioner Fields moved to interview applicant #13 for the position of executive director at the next regular meeting.

Second: Commissioner Johnson.

Roll call vote: Fields – yes, Johnson – yes, Meek – yes, Engle – No, Brejcha – No

Motion carried.

9. Adjournment.

Motion: Commissioner Fields moved to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Commissioner Johnson.

Roll call vote: Fields – yes, Johnson – yes, Meek – yes, Engle – yes, Brejcha - yes.

Motion carried.

Meeting ended at 1:42 p.m.

ASHLEY KEMP, Executive Director

Approved on behalf of the Commission:

JARRED BREJCHA, Chair