

# *State of South Carolina*

## *State Ethics Commission*

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AMI R. FRANKLIN  
INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

### MINUTES SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING OPEN SESSION

January 9, 2017 (Audio)

The audio conference meeting was called to order by Chairman James I. Warren, III, at 10:05 a.m. Chairman Warren asked for a roll call. Present were Sandy Templeton, Thomas M. Galardi, Francis E. Grimball, and Twana N. Burris-Alcide. Absent were Vice Chair Sherri A. Lydon, Julie J. Moose, Brian M. Barnwell, and Regina Lewis.

The news media was duly notified.

Staff present: Ami R. Franklin and Karen A. Wiggins.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Warren asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of having a discussion on hiring an Interim Director, then return to Open Session, and then entertain a motion to vote for the Interim Director. A motion was made by Mr. Grimball, seconded by Mr. Galardi, to go into Executive Session. There being no discussion or opposition, the motion carried with a 5 – 0 vote. Absent were Vice Chair Sherri A. Lydon, Julie J. Moose, Brian M. Barnwell, and Regina Lewis.

**RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon return from Executive Session, there was no motion taken to adopt and ratify actions in Executive Session since it was only a discussion session and no decisions were made. Mrs. Lewis joined the meeting at 10:15 a.m. via audio in Executive Session, and Mr. Barnwell joined the meeting at 10:25 a.m. via audio in Executive Session. Absent were Vice Chair Lydon and Mrs. Moose.

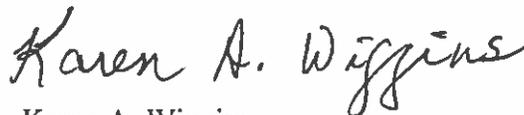
**POINT OF ORDER**

Chairman Warren asked for any discussion at this time. Discussion ensued concerning a vote for an interim director. Chairman Warren asked for further discussion. There being none, a motion was made by Mr. Grimball, seconded by Mrs. Burris-Alcide, to offer the Interim Director's position to Costa M. Pleicones. It was agreed that Chairman Warren would send a letter of this special meeting to the Agency Head Salary Commission. There being no opposition, the motion carried with a 7 – 0 vote. Absent were Vice Chair Lydon and Mrs. Moose.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Warren asked for any further discussion. There being no further business, Mrs. Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Grimball, to adjourn at 10:30 a.m. The motion carried with a 7 – 0 vote. Absent were Vice Chair Lydon and Mrs. Moose.

Respectfully submitted,



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Administrative Specialist