

MINUTES
COMMISSION MEETING OPEN SESSION
May 17, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman Edward E. Dureya at 9:40 a.m. Mr. Marvin D. Infinger arrived at 9:42 a.m. Chairman Kenneth C. Krawcheck arrived at 9:46 a.m. Other members present were Vice Chairman Mrs. Priscilla L. Tanner, Mr. Johnnie M. Walters, Mrs. Susan P. McWilliams and Mr. Robert A. Bruce.

Also present:

Mr. Herbert R. Hayden, Jr., Executive Director
Ms. Cathy L. Hazelwood, Assistant Director/General Counsel
Mr. Donald M. Lundgren, Investigator
Mr. Daniel F. Choate, Investigator
Mrs. Ami R. Franklin, Executive Assistant to the Director
Ms. Regina A. Washington
Mr. Charlie Condon
Mr. Philip Land
Ms. Lisa Sox
Mr. Aaron Gould Sheinin
Ms. Ashley Rockwell
Ms. Bonnie Rust
Mr. Butch Bowers
Mr. Todd Carroll
Mr. Jay w. Ragley
Mr. Wesley Donahue
Mr. Bill Cotty
Ms. Kara Boric
Ms. Alice Paylor
Ms. Nancy Cook
Mr. Terry Sullivan
Mr. Jerome Heyward
Mr. Shawn Townsend
Mr. Bill Branton

Mr. Krawcheck called the meeting to order.

MINUTES

Mr. Walters made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Tanner to approve the open and executive session minutes, motion carried.

OFFICE OPERATIONS

COMPLIANCE REPORTS

Mr. Hayden presented the compliance reports for March and April as information only.

BUDGET FY05 and FY06

Mr. Hayden presented the budget report as information only.

ADVISORY OPINION

AO2006-004 To Influence the Outcome of an Election

Ms. Hazelwood presented this Advisory Opinion to the Commission for reconsideration. Mr. Charlie Condon represented Mr. Cotty. Mr. Butch Bowers represented SCRG. Mr. Duryea made a motion seconded by Mrs. Tanner to accept the modified opinion.

APPEALS

C2006-037 State Ethics Commission vs. Nancy Cook

Ms. Alice Paylor presented this appeal to the Commission. Mrs. McWilliams made a motion, seconded by Mr. Infinger to accept this appeal and waive all outstanding penalties and fines, motion carried.

C2006-072 State Ethics Commission vs. Jerome S. Heyward

Mr. Krawcheck, Mr. Duryea, Mr. Infinger and Mr. Walters recused themselves. Mr. Heyward presented this appeal to the Commission. The Commission unanimously agreed to accept this appeal and reduce the late filing penalty to \$2,500, motion carried.

C2006-063 State Ethics Commission vs. Bill Branton

Mr. Branton presented this appeal to the Commission. The Commission unanimously agreed to accept this appeal and reduce the late filing penalty to \$2,500, motion carried.

ADVISORY OPINION

C092-038 Non Profit Trade Association Soliciting Members

Ms. Hazelwood presented this Advisory Opinion to the Commission for discussion only.

AO2006-003 Nepotism

Ms. Hazelwood presented this Advisory Opinion to the Commission. Mr. Infinger made a motion, seconded by Ms. McWilliams to accept the opinion.

LEGISLATION

Ms. Hazelwood presented the Legislation as information only.

DISCUSSION

Newspaper Articles

Mr. Hayden presented this material to the Commission as information only.

A motion was made by Mr. Duryea to go into Executive Session, seconded by Mrs. Tanner, motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Duryea to return to open session, seconded by Mr. Bruce, motion carried

Upon return to open session, Mr. Duryea made a motion seconded by Mrs. Tanner, to adopt and ratify actions taken in Executive Session, motion carried.

The Commission unanimously made a motion to adjourn, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Regina A. Washington
Administrative Assistant

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