

**Metropolitan Board of Ethical Conduct  
Minutes of Meeting**

Thursday, November 21, 2019

The Board of Ethical Conduct held a meeting on this date in Metropolitan Council Committee Room 2 of the Historic Courthouse in Nashville, Tennessee.

Persons in Attendance:

Josiah Reid, Board Chair  
Jeff Syracuse, Council Pro Tempore  
Diane DiIanni, Board Member  
Keith Frazier, Board Member  
Larry Patton, Board Member  
Arrin Richards, Board Member

Mike Safley, Metropolitan Department of Law  
Nicki Eke, Assistant Attorney for the Metropolitan Department of Law  
Elizabeth Waites, Metropolitan Clerk/Board Secretary

Call to Order

Mr. Reid called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Adoption of Minutes of May 10, 2019

Mr. Patton moved for adoption of the minutes, which motion was seconded and approved by unanimous vote of the Board.

Announcement of Appeal Rights

The Clerk announced that parties who wish to appeal a final order of the Board are encouraged to contact independent legal counsel to ensure that applicable procedures and deadlines are met.

Discussion of Complaint styled James Smallwood v. Brenda Ross

Deputy Director of Department Law Mr. Safley summarized the allegations contained in the complaint and the recommendations proposed in the report filed by the Department of Law.

After discussion, Mr. Patton moved to dismiss the complaint, which motion was seconded by Mr. Frazier and approved by unanimous vote of the Board.

Adjournment

Upon motion properly seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Metropolitan Clerk

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Chair of the Board