

# MINUTES of the meeting of the NEVADA COMMISSION ON ETHICS

### February 12, 2014

These minutes constitute a summary of the above proceedings of the Nevada Commission on Ethics. Verbatim transcripts of the open sessions are available for public inspection at the Commission's office in Carson City.

The Commission on Ethics held a public meeting via telephone on Wednesday, February 12, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. with public access at the following location:

Commission on Ethics 704 W. Nye Lane, # 204 Carson City, Nevada 89703

# **CLOSED SESSION:**

1. Closed Session to discuss potential or pending litigation.

This agenda item was held in closed session and will not be available to the public.

2. Closed Session pursuant to NRS 281A.440(8) for discussion and consideration of proposed Stipulations regarding Third-Party Requests for Opinion Nos. 13-82C (Erin Cranor, Trustee, Clark County School District), 13-83C (Deanna Wright, Trustee, Clark County School District), 14-08C (Lorraine Alderman, Former Trustee, Clark County School District), 14-11C (Dr. Rene Cantu, Jr., Former Trustee, Clark County School District) and Consolidated Third-Party Requests for Opinion Nos. 14-01C and 14-06C (Chris Garvey, Trustee, Clark County School District) and 14-02C and 14-07C (Linda Young, Trustee, Clark County School District), submitted pursuant to NRS 281A.440(2).

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## **OPEN SESSION:**

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Chairman Paul H. Lamboley, Esq. called the meeting into open session at 11:50 a.m.

Present in Carson City, Nevada were Executive Director, Caren Cafferata-Jenkins, Esq., Commission Counsel Yvonne Nevarez-Goodson, Esq., Associate Counsel Jill C. Davis, Esq., and Senior Legal Researcher Darci Hayden.

Appearing telephonically were Chairman Paul H. Lamboley, Esq., Vice-Chairman Gregory J. Gale, CPA, James M. Shaw, Keith A. Weaver, Esq., Magdalena Groover, John Carpenter, and Cheryl A. Lau, Esq.

Commissioner Tim Cory was excused from this meeting.

Also appearing via telephone was Carlos McDade, Esq., counsel for Clark County School District.

The pledge of allegiance was conducted.

#### 2. Open Session for Public Comment.

Executive Director Cafferata-Jenkins, Esq. stated that she had received comments from Mr. Joe Spencer to be read into the record under this agenda item. The Executive Director read Mr. Spencer's comments urging the commission not to enter into a stipulated agreement with the Clark County School Board Trustees (agenda Item No, 3).

3. Open Session pursuant to NRS 281A.440(8) for discussion, consideration and adoption of proposed Stipulations regarding Third-Party Requests for Opinion Nos. 13-82C (Erin Cranor, Trustee, Clark County School District), 13-83C (Deanna Wright, Trustee, Clark County School District), 14-08C (Lorraine Alderman, Former Trustee, Clark County School District), 14-11C (Dr. Rene Cantu, Jr., Former Trustee, Clark County School District) and Consolidated Third-Party Requests for Opinion Nos. 14-01C and 14-06C (Chris Garvey, Trustee, Clark County School District) and 14-02C and 14-07C (Linda Young, Trustee, Clark County School District), submitted pursuant to NRS 281A.440(2).

Commission Counsel Yvonne Nevarez-Goodson, Esq. summarized the six proposed Stipulated Agreements for the Commission and discussed changes to the proposed Stipulations as agreed upon and approved by the Commission's Associate Counsel Jill C. Davis, Esq., the Commission's Executive Director Caren Cafferata-Jenkins, Esq., and counsel for Clark County School District Carlos McDade, Esq.

Commission Counsel Yvonne Nevarez-Goodson, Esq. stated that, as a result of the decision by the Commission in *Edwards* and through the Commission's investigation in the matter, information that other Trustees had sent similar emails was revealed. That information prompted additional RFOs regarding these Trustees. She reported that each of the Subjects had waived their right to a panel hearing and the right to confidentiality of their names pre-panel, and therefore, this agenda item could be held in open session. Commission Counsel assured the Commission that these procedural issues are set forth in the terms of the Stipulations.

Commission Counsel summarized the terms and conclusions of law set forth in the Stipulations.

Commissioner Lau moved to adopt the proposed Stipulations, as modified, regarding Trustees Cranor, Wright, Young, Garvey and former Trustees Cantu and Alderman.

Commissioner Carpenter seconded the motion.

The motion was put to a vote and carried unanimously.

4.	Open	Session f	or Comr	<u>missioner</u>	comments	on n	natters	including,	without lin	mitation,
future	agenda	items, up	comina	meetina a	dates and m	eetir	na proc	edures.		

No commissioner comments.

5. Open Session for Public Comment.

No public comment.

6. Adjournment.

Commissioner Lau moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Shaw seconded the Motion. The motion was put to a vote and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 12:29 p.m.

Minutes prepared by:	Minutes approved: March 19, 2014:				
/s/ Valerie Carter	/s/ Paul H. Lamboley				
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Executive Assistant	Chairman				