

State Ethics Commission
Commission Teleconference Meeting Minutes

August 28, 2008
200 Piedmont Avenue
Suite 1416 – West Tower
Atlanta, Georgia 30334
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Present:

William H. Jordan, Chairman
Sonny Watson, Vice Chairman
Emmett Bowers, Member
Griffin B. Pollard, Jr., Member
James C. Gatewood, Member

The meeting was called to order at by Mr. Jordan at approximately 9:00 a.m.

Motion to waive the reading of the minutes from June 25, 2008 and to adopt the minutes. 1
Moved by Mr. Bowers Seconded by Mr. Watson
Carried Unanimously

Motion to rescind Advisory Opinion 2007-005. 2
Motion to notify the General Assembly of the ambiguity of the language regarding the definition of public officer in that it does not include the word “council”.
Moved by Mr. Watson Seconded by Mr. Bowers
Carried Unanimously

Motion to adopt Advisory Opinion 2008-03. 3
Moved by Mr. Jordan Seconded by Mr. Bowers
Carried Unanimously

Motion to adopt Advisory Opinion 2008-04 (Version 2).
Moved by Mr. Jordan Seconded by Mr. Bowers
Carried Unanimously

Mr. Gatewood excused himself from the meeting at 9:54 a.m. to fulfill a prior obligation.

Motion to remove paragraphs three, four and five of Advisory Opinion 2008-05 and then adopt
Moved by Mr. Pollard Seconded by Mr. Jordan
Passed 4 – 0

Mr. Bowers commended Commission staff for a lucid and well-executed meeting.

Executive Secretary Rick Thompson briefed the Commission on the budget outlining the strategy to eliminate 90% of operating costs for fiscal year 2009 and addressed the future budget cuts for fiscal year 2010.

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The next Commission Meeting date was confirmed for October 2, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.

Motion for adjournment.

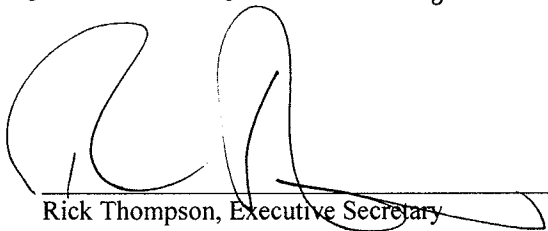
Moved by Mr. Jordan

Seconded by Mr. Bowers

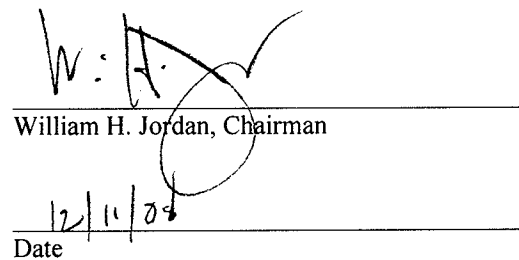
The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:07 a.m.

Official Minutes Statement

The foregoing Minutes for the August 28, 2008 meeting for the State Ethics Commission were approved and adopted by the Commission at the Commission's meeting on December 4, 2008.



Rick Thompson, Executive Secretary



William H. Jordan, Chairman

12/11/08
Date