

# MINUTES OF THE TWO HUNDRED NINETY SECOND MEETING OF THE OHIO CONSUMERS' COUNSEL GOVERNING BOARD March 20, 2012

Members Present: Harold Cassel

Sally Hughes Gene Krebs Joe Logan John Moliterno Roger Wise Fred Yoder

Members Absent: Anthony Peto

Michael Watkins

Guests: Michael Schuler, Attorney General's Office

Erin Butcher-Lyden, Attorney General's Office

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Moliterno called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

# APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the December 12, 2011 and January 17, 2012 meetings were approved.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Krebs made a motion that the Board enters into Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official. Mr. Logan seconded the motion and Mrs. Knight called the roll. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Moliterno asked Ms. Gianforcaro and Mr. Repuzynsky to stay in Executive Session.

The Board entered Executive Session at 9:15 a.m.

Ms. Gianforcaro and Mr. Repuzynsky left Executive Session at 10:00 a.m.

The Board returned to Public Session at 2:40 p.m.

# **PUBLIC SESSION**

The Board consensus was that all of the candidates for the position of Consumers' Counsel were extremely competent and thanked them for participating in the process.

Mr. Wise made a motion that pending successful compensation negotiation the Governing Board hire Bruce Weston as OCC's next Consumers' Counsel. Mr. Logan seconded the motion and Mrs. Knight called the roll. The motion passed unanimously.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Krebs made a motion that the Board enters into Executive Session to consider the compensation of a public employee or official. Mr. Wise seconded the motion and Mrs. Knight called the roll. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board entered Executive Session at 2:45 p.m.

The Board returned to Public Session at 3:00 p.m.

# **PUBLIC SESSION**

Chairman Moliterno stated that at the next meeting the Board will discuss a new direction for the agency that would allow OCC to better serve Ohioans.

Mr. Krebs made a motion that the Board set the Consumers' Counsel's salary at the current annual salary of \$128,689.00 after it was indicated that Mr. Weston's preference was to decline a salary increase at this time. Mr. Yoder seconded the motion and Mrs. Knight called the roll. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Weston stated that he is grateful for the opportunity to continue working with OCC Staff on behalf of the residential consumers of the state of Ohio and thanked the Board for their confidence.

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:09 p.m.

I verify that the above meeting minutes have been approved and ratified by the OCC Governing Board on this 18th day of September, 2012.

Gene Krebs, Chairman

Ohio Consumers' Counsel Governing Board

Laurie C. Knight, Secretary

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