

Ethics Review Board
City of New Orleans

Monday, July 29
1pm
525 St. Charles Avenue
Suite 300 (Conference Room)
New Orleans, LA 70130

Minutes

Present: Dr. Michael Cowan, Chair; Dr. Joe Ricks, Jr., Allen Miller, James Brown
Absent: Elizabeth Nalty
Staff: Steven Scheckman, General Counsel
Felicia R. Brown, Executive Director
Guest(s): Edouard R. Quatrevaux, Inspector General

A quorum being present the meeting was called to order by the chair at 1:04pm. Dr. Cowan recognized the newly appointed ERB members followed by introductions of board members and staff. The chair and general counsel provided a historical overview of the Ethics Review Board. Mr. Scheckman reviewed the legal authority of the board, referencing appropriate sections of the board binder for review.

An exchange ensued with respect to the meeting schedule and the availability of board members for the remainder of 2013. The chair summarized the board's operations with respect to the following: election of officers, staff evaluations, ERB budget process, setting of the IG's salary, and government ethics education.

Dr. Ricks inquired whether the board had a strategic plan; the executive director stated that no formal plan had been developed, other than the ethics education process outlined in the board materials. The chair further noted the work of the ERB's consultant, Judy Nadler, and her forthcoming status report to the board with respect to ethics education. Mr. Brown indicated the value of a case study approach for government ethics education.

Inspector General Edouard Quatrevaux provided a brief overview of the role of the OIG and its operations. He described the working relationship between the OIG and OIPM in reference to an inquiry by Mr. Miller.

Public Comment: Philip Stelly, with the Orleans Parish Sheriff's Office, addressed the board regarding the OIG's public disclosure of an investigation of the sheriff's auditor. In response, Mr. Scheckman indicated the board does not control the OIG's operations.

Mr. Brown moved that the meeting be adjourned; a second was offered by Mr. Miller. The motion passed unanimously. At 2:15pm the meeting adjourned.

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Mr./Ms. Chair:

I would like to speak regarding Inspector General

in support in opposition information only

Name: Philip Stelly
(please print clearly)

Representing: Orleans Parish Sheriff's Office

Address: 819 S. Broad
New Orleans, LA 70119

Remarks: Question Regarding OIR vis-a-vis
Sheriff's audit