



(Approved December 19, 2019)
CALIFORNIA FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
MINUTES OF HEARING, Public Session
Thursday, November 21, 2019
10:00 a.m.

Present: Chair Miadich, Commissioner Cardenas, Commissioner Hatch (by telephone), and Commissioner Hayward

Staff Present: Thomas Jones, Executive Director
Dave Bainbridge, General Counsel
Brian Lau, Assistant General Counsel
Galena West, Enforcement Chief
Loressa Hon, Chief of Administration
Sukhi Brar, Supervising Attorney
Karen Harrison, Senior Commission Counsel
Katelyn Greene, Commission Counsel
Sasha Linker, Commission Assistant

A. Call to Order

Chair Miadich called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.

B. Public Comment for Items not on the Agenda

Scott Vaughan gave public comment to discuss his believed facts regarding a complaint submitted to the Enforcement Division. Chair Miadich thanked Mr. Vaughan for bringing the underlying matter to the attention of the FPPC, and stated that the Commission would be reviewing its regulations for possible amendment.

C. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting

MOTION: Approve the October 18, 2019 meeting minutes. Moved by Commissioner Hayward, seconded by Commissioner Cardenas. Motion approved 4-0.

D. Approval of Enforcement Consent Calendar.

MOTION: Motion to approve the Enforcement Consent Calendar, agenda items 3-15. Moved by Commissioner Hayward, seconded by Commissioner Cardenas. Motion approved 4-0.

Multiple members of Contra Costa County gave public comment on agenda item 3, *In the Matter of Joe Canciamilla for Contra Costa County Clerk/Recorder 2014/2018, Friends of Joe Canciamilla for Judge 2012/2014, and Joseph Canciamilla*, to ask the Commission to reject the stipulation and seek a larger fine. Following public comment, and assurance from the Enforcement Division that a criminal referral had been made, the Commission approved the proposed stipulation, and requested that the Enforcement Division refer the matter to the Contra Costa County Employees' Retirement Association for any action the Association deemed appropriate.

E. Adoption of the 2019/2020 Statement of Economic Interests, Form 700 and related documents.

MOTION: Motion to approve the 2019/2020 Statement of Economic Interests forms. Moved by Commissioner Hatch, seconded by Commissioner Hayward. Approved 4-0.

F. Updated Campaign Manuals and Lobbying Manual.

MOTION: Motion to approve the updated campaign manuals and lobbying manual. Moved by Commissioner Hatch, seconded by Commissioner Hayward. Approved 4-0.

G. Amendments to Regulation 18450.1, Advertisement Disclosure and Regulation 18435, Definitions of Mass Mailing and Adoption of Regulation 18450.2, Authorized and Paid For, Regulation 18450.3, Top Contributor Disclosure for Affiliated Entities, and Regulation 18450.4, Video and Television Advertisement Disclosure.

MOTION: Motion to approve the proposed regulations with discussed amendments. Moved by Commissioner Hatch, seconded by Commissioner Hayward. Approved 4-0.

H. Update on Task Force to Study Best Practices for Regulating Campaign Activity on Digital Media

I. Memo regarding gift rules and college scholarships.

MOTION: Motion to instruct Staff to create a fact sheet on scholarships. Moved by Chair Miadich, seconded by Commissioner Hayward. Approved 4-0.

J. Approval of Commissioner Compensation Request.

MOTION: Motion to approve the July compensation request submitted by Commissioner Hatch. Moved by Chair Miadich, seconded by Commissioner Hayward. Approved 4-0.

K. Committee Updates.

Commissioner Hayward stated the Budget & Personnel Committee update is as submitted.

L. Advice Letter Report and Commission Review.

MOTION: Motion to withdraw advice letter A-19-169. Moved by Commissioner Hatch, seconded by Commissioner Cardenas. Motion failed 2-2, with Chair Miadich and Commissioner Hayward opposing.

Advice Letter Report accepted as submitted, without further action by the Commission after failed motion.

M. Executive Staff Reports.

The Executive Staff reports were accepted as submitted, without further action by the Commission.

N. Closed Session

The Commission adjourned for closed session at 11:51p.m. to discuss pending litigation pursuant to Gov. Code § 11126 (e) (1), and reconvened from closed session at 1:00 p.m.

O. Commissioner Comments and Proposed Future Agenda Items.

No Commissioner comments or future agenda items discussed.

P. Adjourn

MOTION: Motion to adjourn the meeting. Moved by Commissioner Hayward, seconded by Commissioner Cardenas. Motion approved 3-0.

The meeting adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sasha Linker
Commission Assistant
Approved December 9, 2019

Richard C. Miadich, Chair
Fair Political Practices Commission