

ST. MARY'S COUNTY ETHICS COMMISSION
St. Mary's County Chesapeake Building
Minutes of October 7, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT David Willenborg, Chair
 Joseph Russell, Vice Chair
 John Austerman
 Larry Crabtree

MEMBERS ABSENT Jean-Marie Hansen
 Kathleen McClernan-Walz (Alternate)

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE Joe Densford, Ethics Commission Attorney
 Diane Gleissner, Secretary

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Willenborg at 6:01 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Austerman announced that he was resigning from the Ethics Commission. He accepted a new job and he and his family are moving out of the country. The Ethics Commission congratulated him and wished him well.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Gleissner presented a tentative meeting schedule for 2020. After review, Mr. Russell moved, seconded by Mr. Crabtree to accept the 2020 dates as presented. Vote was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS

The Ethics Commission performed their annual review of the Financial Disclosure Statements of Elected Officials. Under the advisement of counsel, Mr. Russell moved, seconded by Mr. Crabtree to require all Financial Disclosure Statements have an original signature. Vote was unanimous.

After finishing their review, the Ethics Commission directed Ms. Gleissner to prepare a letter to each official asking them to make any corrections needed to their statement to bring them into compliance.

The Commission will hold an additional meeting November 18, 2019 to review an Advisory Opinion request received on 10/7/19 and to continue discussion of the review process of Financial Disclosure Statements.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Russell moved, seconded by Mr. Crabtree to adjourn the meeting. Vote was unanimous. The St. Mary's County Ethics Commission meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.