Regular Meeting:

Roll Call:

X Chair Ms. Tami Schademann
X Member Ms. Dana Rank Bye
X Member Ms. Pat Brune
E Member Mr. George Kemper
X Member Anthony Villegas
X Ruth Benien, Administrator

X (Present) E (Excused)
U (Unexcused)

Call to Order:

Chairperson Schademann called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. Commissioners Brune, Villegas and Rank Bye were present. Administrator Benien was present. Commissioner Kemper was absent but excused.

Public Comment: No members of the public were present.

Old Business:

a). Approval of Minutes:

Proposed Minutes of the November, 2014 meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes as corrected was made by Commissioner Brune and seconded by Commissioner Rank-Bye. The motion passed unanimously. A change was made and approved to the November 6, 2014 minutes re: “acting” and November 6, 2014 to reflect next meeting date as December 5 at 4 p.m. Such changes were made.
b). Monthly Administrator’s Report:

Administrator Benien provided the December and November, 2014 monthly report which outlined the training provided in November, 2014 and the nature of the ethics opinions rendered and complaints received.

Continuing Ethics training for the three UG Commissioners needing to complete such training will be scheduled in the next few months. A Basic Ethics training was scheduled for December 3, 2014 at the Health Department. Training is being scheduled for police and fire departments. Use of a video presentation is being considered as the fire department alone is requesting twenty two sessions. Police and fire are both in their three year training cycles.

A verbal hotline complaint was received on December 4, 2014 from a UG elected official with respect to another UG elected official; the matter was reviewed and no violation found. Thirteen complaints are pending awaiting investigation, under investigation or determination. Ten advisory opinion requests are pending. One request for ethics presentation or training for a handicapped employee is pending.

The Administrator’s report was accepted as presented for December, 2014.

New Business:

None.

Executive Session:

No Executive Session was held.

Adjournment:

Motion for adjournment by Commissioner Rank-Bye

Seconded by Commissioner Villegas

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Next Meeting is January 8, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

s/Ruth M. Benien

Ruth M. Benien
UG Ethics Administrator