

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION

BOARD OF ETHICS

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Wednesday, October 8, 2025
Commissioners Conference Room
and
Virtual via Teams Platform
Laurel, Maryland

The Board of Ethics (“Board”) met in person and virtually to conduct an Open Session pursuant to Maryland Code Annotated, General Provisions Article, Title 3, Open Meetings Act, § 3-305(b)(13).

Chair Pruden called the meeting to order at 1:16 p.m. with the following members present:

George Pruden II, Chair
Steven Hausman, Member
Michael Kraft, Member
Chandria Slaughter, Alternate Member

Also present:

Angelique Dorsey White, Ethics Officer
Lisa Arnquist, Legal Counsel to the Board
Tamika Taylor, Office of Inspector General Associate General Counsel (virtual)
Latonya Allen, Administrative Assistant.

Open Session

New Board Member Introduction and Welcome

The Board welcomed new member Michael Kraft. Mr. Kraft gave an overview of his ethics and compliance experience and shared he was excited to join the Board.

Approval of Open Session Minutes – September 10, 2025

The Board reviewed the draft Open Session Minutes from the September 10, 2025 meeting. Due to Mr. Kraft joining the Board after the September meeting, he abstained from voting.

On motion of Dr. Hausman and seconded by Ms. Slaughter, three members of the Board (Hausman, Slaughter, and Pruden) voted to approve the September 10, 2025 Open Session Minutes.

Matters of Discussion

Ethics Program Monthly Report

Ms. Dorsey White provided an update on Ethics Office activities for September 2025. She reported that she conducted ethics training for 24 new employees as part of new employee orientation.

Ms. Dorsey White also shared that the Ethics Office provided guidance on 10 matters. Except for Disclosure Statements and Public Contracting Ethics, all other categories received inquiries in equal numbers.

Delinquent Financial Disclosure Filer(s)

Ms. Allen reported that there were no delinquent financial disclosure filers.

Closed Session Approval

Chair Pruden stated that he had reviewed and approved the closing statement.

At 1:23 p.m., on motion of Dr. Hausman and seconded by Mr. Kraft, three members of the Board (Hausman, Kraft, and Pruden) voted to conduct a Closed Session pursuant to Maryland Code Annotated, General Provisions Article, Title 3, Open Meetings

Act, § 3-305(b)(13) to approve September 10, 2025 Closed Session Minutes; General Provisions Article § 3-305(b)(13) and WSSC Code of Ethics Ch. 1.70.110 to address six Complaints; General Provisions Article § 3-305(b)(1)(ii) to discuss a personnel matter that affects one individual; and General Provisions Article § 3-305(b)(7) to obtain legal advice regarding six Complaints, a personnel matter, legal investigations and Potential Complaints.

Attendees: Chair George Pruden; Member Steven Hausman; Member Michael Kraft; and Alternate Member Chandria Slaughter. Staff present: Ethics Officer Angelique Dorsey White; Legal Counsel to the Board Lisa Arnquist; Administrative Assistant Latonya Allen; and Associate General Counsel Matthew Gallagher.

Closed Session

Approval of Closed Session Minutes – September 10, 2025

The Board reviewed the draft Closed Session Minutes from the September 10, 2025 meeting. Due to Mr. Kraft joining the Board after the September meeting, he abstained from voting.

On motion of Dr. Hausman and seconded by Ms. Slaughter, three members of the Board (Hausman, Slaughter, and Pruden) voted to approve the September 10, 2025 Closed Session Minutes as amended.

Complaint C-25-07

Associate General Counsel Matthew Gallagher arrived at 1:29 p.m.

Mr. Gallagher provided an overview of his investigation.

Mr. Gallagher left the meeting at 2:27 p.m.

On motion of Dr. Hausman and seconded by Mr. Kraft, three members of the Board (Hausman, Kraft, and Pruden) voted to grant a 90-day extension of time for filing the preliminary report pursuant to WSSC Code Ch. 1.65.070(b)(5)(ii).

Complaint C-24-08

Ms. Dorsey White provided an update on this case.

Complaint C-25-01

Ms. Dorsey White provided an update on this case.

Complaint C-25-03

Ms. Dorsey White provided an update on this case.

Complaints C-25-04

Ms. Dorsey White provided an update on this case.

Complaints C-25-06

Ms. Dorsey White provided an update on this case.

Personnel Matters

Ms. Dorsey White provided an overview of this matter.

On motion of Dr. Hausman and seconded by Mr. Kraft, three members of the Board (Hausman, Kraft, and Pruden) voted to approve the Ethics Officer's goals as modified, subject to minor editorial changes.

Potential Complaints

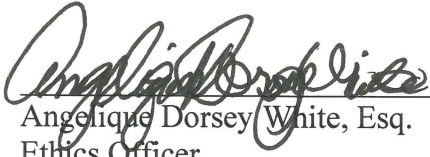
There were no potential complaints to discuss.

Legal Investigations

There were no legal investigations to discuss.

Adjournment

On motion of Dr. Hausman and seconded by Mr. Kraft, three members of the Board (Hausman, Kraft, and Pruden) voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:26 p.m.



Angelique Dorsey White, Esq.
Ethics Officer