

**APPROVED MINUTES**  
**ETHICS COMMISSION OF THE UNIFIED GOVERNMENT**  
**Courtroom No. 18, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Wyandotte County Courthouse**  
**710 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, KS 66101**

**April 5, 2018**

**Regular Meeting:**

**Roll Call:**

- X Member Jerry Fiscus
- X Member David Duckers
- X Member John J. Bukaty, Jr.
- E Member Linda Brown
- X Member Dachia Busch
- X Ruth Benien, Administrator

X (Present) E (Excused)

U (Unexcused)

**Call to Order:**

Chairperson Jerry Fiscus called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m. Commissioners Fiscus Duckers, Bukaty and Busch were present. Commissioner Brown was absent but excused. Administrator Benien was present.

**Public Comment:** No members of the public were present.

**Old Business:**

**a). Approval of Minutes:**

The proposed Minutes of the February 7, 2018 meeting were reviewed and approved. Commissioner Duckers moved for approval with a second by Commissioner Bukaty. Motion passed unanimously. The proposed Minutes Note for the meeting of March 8, 2018 were accepted as there was no actual meeting due to lack of a quorum.

**b). Monthly Administrator's Report:**

Administrator Benien provided two monthly reports for the time period from February 1, 2018 through February 28, 2018 and March 1, 2018 through March 31, 2018 which outlined the training provided in those months and the nature of the ethics opinions rendered and complaints received.

Continuing Ethics training presentations by video have and are being provided by the Human Resources department for the police and fire department and were also used for a section of the sheriff's department.

One new written complaint and one new hotline complaint were received. Five complaints are pending awaiting investigation or additional information. Six new email were received. Nine advisory opinion requests are pending as of March 31, 2018. Six new requests for advisory opinion were received. Five requests for advisory opinions were closed with advisory opinion provided, no violation needing response or no formal request after initial inquiry found.

**New Business:**

Under new business discussion was held and decision made to move the regularly scheduled meeting date to the second Thursday of each month. Motion made to do so by Commissioner Duckers, second by Commissioner Bukaty. Motion passed unanimously.

All Ethics Commissioners were asked to review and make notes for changes or improvement to the UG Ethics Web Site for the next meeting.

**Executive Session:**

No Executive Session was held.

Adjournment:

Motion for adjournment by Commissioner Bukaty

Seconded by Commissioner Duckers

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Next Meeting is May 10, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

s/Ruth M. Benien\_\_\_\_\_  
Ruth M. Benien  
UG Ethics Administrator