

**APPROVED MEETING 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**

**January 7, 2016**

**Regular Meeting:**

**Roll Call**

X Chairperson Mr. George Kemper

E Member Anthony Villegas

X Member Jerry Fiscus

X Member David Duckers

X Member Chiquita Wilson

X Ruth Benien, Administrator

X (Present) E (Excused)

U (Unexcused)

**Call to Order:**

Chairperson George Kemper called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Commissioners Wilson, Fiscus and Duckers were present. Commissioner Villegas was absent but excused. Administrator Benien was present.

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

**Old Business:**

**a). Approval of Minutes:**

No Proposed Minutes of the December, 2015 meeting were reviewed and approved due to computer difficulties with the Administrator's computer.

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

Administrator Benien provided a December, 2015 monthly report which outlined the training provided in December, 2015 and the nature of the ethics opinions rendered and complaints received.

A Basic Ethics training was provided for UG employees on December 9, 2015 at the Human Resources Department. A police academy basis training was provided on December 16, 2015.

No new email complaints were received in December, 2015. Six complaints are pending awaiting investigation or additional information. Seventeen advisory opinion requests are pending as of the January 1, 2015. One new email advisory opinion was requested in December, 2015. One request for ethics presentation or training for a handicapped employee is pending.

**New Business:**

Training for the new UG Ethics Commissioners will be held or scheduled or they are to attend one of the Basic Ethics classes for which dates were provided. The UG Ethics website has been updated with meeting minutes and agendas posted. The new UG Ethics Commissioners are still asked to review the biographical information posted that was taken from the press release and advise of any changes or corrections to the same.

**Executive Session:**

No Executive Session was held.

Adjournment:

Motion for adjournment by Commissioner Fiscus.

Seconded by Commissioner Duckers

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

s/Ruth M. Benien\_\_\_\_\_

Ruth M. Benien

UG Ethics Administrator