

**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**

**October 13, 2016**

**Regular Meeting:**

**Roll Call**

X Chairperson Mr. George Kemper

E Member Anthony Villegas

X Member Jerry Fiscus

X Member David Duckers

E 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 4:00 p.m. Commissioners Fiscus and Duckers were present. Commissioners Villegas and Wilson were absent but excused. Administrator Benien was present.

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

**Old Business:**

**a). Approval of Minutes:**

The proposed Minutes of the September 1, 2016 meeting were reviewed and approved without changes. Commissioner Duckers moved for approval with a second by Commissioner Kemper. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Administrator Benien provided a monthly report for the time period from September 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016 which outlined the training provided in those months and the nature of the ethics opinions rendered and complaints received.

Basic Ethics Training sessions are scheduled for November 2, 2016 for the new sheriff's department recruits at the Jail Training facility and December 7, 2016 at Human Resources. A UG Continuing Ethics training was provided on October 11, 2016. A presentation for the KU Public Administration Class on ethics is scheduled for October 18, 2016 at the KU Regents Center. A UG Ethics Continuing Education training is scheduled for November 10, 2016 at 4:00 p.m. at the Neighborhood Resource Center.

Two new complaints were received by email. Nineteen complaints are pending awaiting investigation or additional information. One complaint was closed for lack of jurisdiction and one for no violation. Twenty two advisory opinion requests are pending as of October 1, 2016. One advisory opinions was provided and closed. One new email request for advisory opinion was received.

One request for ethics presentation or training for a handicapped employee is pending awaiting appointment of new UG Human Resources Training employee. The new Human Resources Training person will be asked to schedule such training.

**New Business:**

The new UG Ethics Commissioners are still asked to review the biographical information posted on the UG Ethics website 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 4:18 p.m.

Next Meeting is November 3, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

s/Ruth M. Benien

Ruth M. Benien  
UG Ethics Administrator