Minutes of the August 3, 2017 Meeting of the West Virginia Ethics Commission's Open Governmental Meetings Committee

The August 3, 2017, meeting of the West Virginia Ethics Commission's Open Governmental Meetings Committee was called to order in the Commission's Office at 210 Brooks Street, Charleston, West Virginia, at 9:30 a.m., by Chairperson Lawrence Tweel. Present in person were Chairperson Tweel, Committee Member Betty S. Ireland and Ex-Officio Committee Member Robert J. Wolfe. Present via teleconference was Committee Member Suzan Singleton. Executive Director Rebecca L. Stepto, General Counsel Kimberly B. Weber, Staff Attorney Andrew Herrick, Staff Attorney Derek A. Knopp, and Lobbyist Registrar and Administrative Secretary Teri Anderson, all from the Commission staff, were present.

WHEREUPON, Chairperson Tweel asked for approval of the June 1, 2017, meeting minutes.

WHEREUPON, Committee Member Ireland made a motion to approve the minutes. Committee Member Singleton gave a second. The motion passed.

WHEREUPON, Chairperson Tweel called upon Mr. Knopp to present Open Governmental Meetings Advisory Opinion 2017-02 for consideration.

WHEREUPON, Mr. Knopp presented proposed Open Governmental Meetings Advisory Opinion 2017-02 to the Committee for consideration. After discussion, a motion was made by Committee Member Ireland and seconded by Committee Member Singleton to modify the Advisory Opinion by suggesting that the Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee seek guidance and relief from the Legislature regarding protecting confidential and sensitive information while complying with the Open Governmental Proceedings Act. The motion was adopted. Committee Member Ireland further moved to accept the proposed Open Governmental Meetings Advisory Opinion 2017-02 as modified. Committee Member Singleton gave a second, and the motion passed unanimously.

WHEREUPON, Chairperson Tweel stated there were no more items for discussion. Committee Member Ireland moved that the meeting be adjourned, and Committee Member Singleton seconded. The motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned.

The foregoing minutes of the West Virginia Ethics Commission's Open Governmental Meetings Committee were approved at a regular meeting of the Committee on March 1, 2018.

Lawrence Tweel, Chairperson
Open Governmental Meetings Committee
West Virginia Ethics Commission

ATTEST:

Teri Anderson, Lobbyist Registrar and Administrative Secretary West Virginia Ethics Commission