

Pending Committee Approval
MINUTES
LAW, RULES & ETHICS COMMITTEE

Monday, May 10, 2021

7:00PM

Attendance

Present (7): Sylvia Alexander, Lisa Daub, Steve Froot, Rosemary Ginty*, Louis Lopez, Omar Murray, Martin Wolpoff (Chair)

Absent (4): Paul Ellis, Charles Moerdler, Dan Padernacht (Vice-Chair), Sergio Villaverde

*- Unfortunately, Ms. Ginty spent most of the meeting in the waiting room until admitted

1. Meeting called to order at 7:05
2. Approval of April minutes - Approved unanimously
3. COIB Agreements – Chairman previously distributed latest COIB Agreements COIB. Notice was made of a finding against the most-recent NYBOE Chancellor as follows: Misuse of City Position. In April 2019, the Chancellor of the New York City Department of Education (“DOE”) used a ticket to take his wife, who was not a DOE employee, to a DOE-exclusive event that was part of a DOE partnership with the producers of the Broadway musical *Hamilton*.
4. Review of Nominating Committee protocols
It was brought to Chair’s attention that Changes to the Ethical Guidance Manual (EGM), as posted on the Board’s website, contains a contradiction. It had been the intent of LRE to prevent Board members from seeking more than one slate position. Item h), i) ***Any incumbent who wishes to be considered for more than one officer or chair position, must announce the vacancy of their current position.***
The committee agreed to authorize the elimination of the item from the posted EGM. The full Board will be so advised.
5. City Council Legislative Spreadsheet – Chairman previously distributed the latest spreadsheet to committee members and Board committee Chairs. Spreadsheet was color coded for items introduced by our local representatives and also for items for which he was personally drawn. The committee then viewed selected items.
6. Old business - None
7. New business - None
8. Next meeting – Chair advised the committee to reserve June 14, 2021. Unless there was pressing business, meeting would not be held.

Respectfully Submitted,
Martin Wolpoff, Chair