

**PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS  
OFFICIAL MINUTES**

Meeting of June 19, 2015

Members Present: Bob Bickford, Al Lotrecchiano, Kathleen Delamere, Paul Eldridge, Nancy Dill

Staff: Jan Miller

The meeting began at 10:06am in the conference room of the County Personnel Department. Roll call was taken. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes:

The Board reviewed the minutes of the April 17, 2015 meeting and approved them as presented, except to redact the name of the person appearing before the Board.

Old Business:

- The Chair reviewed the April 14 meeting of the Rules Committee regarding the proposed revision of §55-7 of the Code and the penalty recommendation. After discussion, Mr. Eldridge moved, seconded by Mrs. Delamere, to remove the section requiring filing of disclosure forms by Advisory Boards, and to recommend removal of delinquent filers from their Board positions. The Chair agreed to make the necessary corrections for resubmission at the July meeting of the Rules Committee.
- Regarding the status of the Spain vs. Sayegh complaint, a call was made to Attorney Redding who promised to submit an update within the coming week.
- The Chair reviewed the Town of Southeast's Code of Ethics to determine if there is any provision for that Board to refer a complaint directly to the County Board of Ethics. There is none.

New Business:

- The Board reviewed communication from Legislator Nacerino, Chair of the Personnel Committee, regarding a complaint from a Town of Putnam Valley Council member about a couple of Putnam County officials. Chairwoman Nacerino responded to the complainant that the complaint should be brought to the Ethics Board, which has not happened. Therefore the Board took no action on the issue.
- Board members reviewed the proposed Board of Ethics website and its contents and approved the site as presented. In discussing where, on the County's website, this Board's site should be placed, the Board asked Mr. Eldridge to discuss with the IT Department creation of a separate section of the County's website for all Boards and Commissions so that their business and meetings are available to the public. It was further decided that, because we are placing all minutes of the Board's meetings on the site, names of complainants should be redacted for personal privacy.

The Board moved to executive session at 10:45am to review 2015 financial disclosure forms that were recently submitted. The Board reviewed 103 forms; 91 were accepted and 12 will be returned for correction. At 11:40am the Board resumed the public session, set the next meeting for July 17, 2015, and adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul Eldridge, Secretary