MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE INDIANA STATE ETHICS COMMISSION November 14, 2019

I. Call to Order

A regular meeting of the State Ethics Commission ("Commission") was called to order at 10:00 a.m. Commission members present included Katherine Noel, Chairperson; Corinne Finnerty; Sue Anne Gilroy; and Kenneth G. Todd. Staff present included Jennifer Cooper, State Ethics Director; Lori Torres, Inspector General; Kelly Elliott, Staff Attorney; Tiffany Mulligan, Chief Legal Counsel; and Nathan Baker, Legal Assistant, Office of Inspector General.

Others present were Andrew Bernlohr, General Counsel, Indiana Department of Education; Dr. Andrew Melin, Chief Innovation Officer, Indiana Department of Education; Kathy Mills, Ethics Officer, Indiana Department of Environmental Management; Mattheus Mitchel, Compliance and Ethics Specialist, Indiana Department of Revenue; Amber Nicole Ying, Special Counsel – Compliance and Ethics, Indiana Department of Revenue; Tammera Glickman, Deputy General Counsel, Indiana Department of Administration; Beth Green, General Counsel, Indiana Department of Workforce Development; and Bill Anthony, Deputy Attorney General, Office of Attorney General.

II. Adoption of Agenda and Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Gilroy moved to adopt the Agenda and Commissioner Todd seconded the motion which passed (4-0).

Commissioner Todd moved to approve the Minutes of the October 10, 2019 Commission Meeting with some minor amendments regarding 2019-FAO-019 and Commissioner Finnerty seconded the motion which passed (4-0).

III. Consideration of Indiana Department of Education Waiver of Post-Employment Restrictions for Sarah Larrison

Andrew Bernlohr, Indiana Department of Education General Counsel and Ethics Officer, presented the proposed Waiver of Post-Employment Restrictions in this matter to the Commission for their approval.

Commissioner Gilroy moved to approve the Waiver, and Commissioner Todd seconded the motion which passed (4-0).

IV. Consideration of Indiana Department of Education Waiver of Post-Employment Restrictions for Andrew Melin

Andrew Bernlohr, Indiana Department of Education General Counsel and Ethics Officer, presented the proposed Waiver of Post-Employment Restrictions in this matter to the Commission for their approval.

Commissioner Finnerty moved to approve the Waiver, and Commissioner Gilroy seconded the motion which passed (4-0).

V. Director's Report

State Ethics Director, Jen Cooper, stated that since the last Commission meeting, the Office of Inspector General had issued 43 informal advisory opinions on the subjects of post-employment restrictions, conflicts of interests, outside employment, and gifts. The increase in issued informal advisory opinions is likely due to the launch of the State Ethics Training in October.

She further advised that the Legal and Ethics Conference was set for November 14, 2019 and invited the Commissioners to attend. The Conference was approved for three credit hours for Continuing Learning Education and Ethics Education.

Finally, Director Cooper advised that the State Ethics Training cycle was set to conclude on November 21, 2019.

VI. Adjournment

Commissioner Noel moved to adjourn the public meeting of the State Ethics Commission and Commissioner Gilroy seconded the motion, which passed (4-0).

The public meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.