Baltimore City Ethics Board 626 City Hall Baltimore, MD 21202 June 10, 2014

Minutes of the Public Session

The Ethics Board met on June 10, 2014 in the Conference Room of the Office of Department of Legislative Reference, 626 City Hall, Baltimore, Maryland.

Call to Order: Chairwoman Linda Pierson called to order the meeting of the Baltimore City Ethics Board at 9:32 a.m. with a quorum present. Present in person were Board members Linda Pierson, Dawna Cobb and Jennifer Burdick. Guy Flynn attended by telephone. Also present was Thaddeus Watulak, Deputy Director of the Ethics Board.

- **A.** Chair's Report: There was none.
- **B. Approval of Minutes from May 2014**: The Board approved the minutes with minor corrections by a vote of 4-0.

C. Director's Status Updates

- 1) **Ongoing investigation:** Closed session.
- **2)** Ethics trainings: Mr. Watulak reported that the current round of training sessions have been completed. About 40-50 people were trained. The six -month training cycle is working well. The Department of General Services and the Health Department have asked for a list of employees who had been trained so they can make sure all their staff is up to date.
- 3) Financial Disclosure Update: 887 electronic forms have been filed. Four or five new application are submitted every day. While 1044 filers are registered on line., this is not an entirely accurate number. Some registrations are mistakes due to typographical errors made with e-mail addresses. Some people may have later determined they didn't need to register. Nine late paper filings have been received. The Board will discuss late fees at the next meeting. There have been 225 views of the filings by coordinators, reporters and companies doing background checks. Ms. Pierson will determine the best means for obtaining funding or a staff person who could input data from 800 plus paper filings that have been received.

A list of companies doing business with the City has been received from Dept. of Finance.

- **D. Closed session:** The Board voted to go into closed session at 10:10 a.m. to discuss pending investigations.
- E. Complaint by J.B.: Closed session.
- E. Complaint against J.G.: Closed session.
- **H**. The next Board meeting will be July 8, 2014.
- I. A motion to adjourn was made and approved at 11: 01 a.m.