

REGISTRY OF ELECTION FINANCE

The Registry of Election Finance met Wednesday, April 13, 2016, at Suite 104 of Parkway Towers, 404 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, Tennessee.

The meeting was held without a physical quorum present. The meeting was held with Chairperson Tom Lawless, Patricia Heim and Tom Morton present. Kent Coleman, Henry Fincher and Norma Lester participated via telephone. The meeting was necessary due to the meeting notice and agenda having been posted.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

On motion by Lester, seconded by Morton, the board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the March 9, 2016 regular board meeting.

Show Cause Hearings

C15-29 Williamson PACE (W-PACE), for failure to register as a PAC and report contributions and expenditures with the Williamson County Election Commission. Class two (2), maximum ten thousand (\$10,000) civil penalty per violation. The organization has had no previous matters before the board.

The board voted at its May 13, 2015 meeting to issue the organization a show cause notice.

The board voted at its August 12, 2015 meeting to defer any further action in this matter until the next regularly scheduled meeting to allow the organization an opportunity to personally appear before the board.

The board voted at its November 12, 2015 meeting to defer any further action in this matter until the next regularly scheduled meeting to allow the organization an opportunity to personally appear before the board.

The board voted at its January 13, 2016 meeting to take no further action in this matter until the next regularly scheduled meeting to allow the organization further opportunity to gather additional information on the matter.

Richard Colbert, representative for the organization, requested that the board defer any action in this matter to allow him an opportunity to appear before the board. (Mr. Colbert had informed the board at its January 13, 2016 meeting that he would be unable to attend the March 9, 2016 meeting.)

The board voted at its March 9, 2016 meeting to defer any further action in this matter until the next regularly scheduled meeting to allow the organization an opportunity to personally appear before the board.

Courtney Wilbert, representative for the organization, personally appeared before the board. Kawanda Braxton submitted an affidavit for the board's consideration.

After discussion, on motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to take no further action in this matter.

Cases Subject to Approval of Civil Penalty Order

16-01 AMG-PAC, for failure to timely file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class one (1), 12 days late, maximum three hundred (\$300) civil penalty. The organization has had no previous matters before the board.

The board voted at its March 9, 2016 meeting to issue the organization a show cause notice.

Tammy Myers, assistant treasurer for the organization, submitted a sworn statement for the board's consideration.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to take no further action in this matter but requested that the organization provide the Registry with a written request for a change of mailing address.

Cases Considered for Issuance of Show Cause Notice

William Brewer, for failure to timely file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class one (1), seven days late, maximum one hundred seventy-five (\$175) civil penalty. Mr. Brewer has had no previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to take no action.

Duane Dominy, for failure to file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class two (2), no report filed, maximum ten thousand (\$10,000) civil penalty. Mr. Dominy has had previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to issue a show cause notice.

Michael Farley, for failure to timely file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class one (1), nine days late, maximum two hundred twenty-five (\$225) civil penalty. Mr. Farley has had previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to take no action.

Charles Rains, for failure to timely file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class one (1), 14 days late, maximum three hundred fifty (\$350) civil penalty. Mr. Rains has had previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to take no action.

Ian Randolph, for failure to file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class two (2), no report filed, maximum ten thousand (\$10,000) civil penalty. Mr. Randolph has had no previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to issue a show cause notice.

Matt Swallows, for failure to timely file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class one (1), 22 days late, maximum five hundred fifty (\$550) civil penalty. Mr. Swallows has had no previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to issue a show cause notice.

Anderson County Republican Party, for failure to file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class two (2), no report filed, maximum ten thousand (\$10,000) civil penalty. The organization has had previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to issue a show cause notice.

EBC Presidents Folly, for failure to timely file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class one (1), two days late, maximum fifty (\$50) civil penalty. The organization has had no previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to take no action.

Morristown Professional Fire Fighters Local 3836, for failure to timely file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class one (1), six days late, maximum one hundred fifty (\$150) civil penalty. The organization has had previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to take no action.

Multi-Disciplinary Consultants LLC, for failure to file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class two (2), no report filed, maximum ten thousand (\$10,000) civil penalty. The organization has had no previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to issue a show cause notice.

Shelby County Democratic Executive Committee, for failure to file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class two (2), no report filed, maximum ten thousand (\$10,000) civil penalty. The organization has had previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to issue a show cause notice.

Southern Futures PAC, for failure to file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class two (2), no report filed, maximum ten thousand (\$10,000) civil penalty. The organization has had previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to issue a show cause notice.

Spring Hill Professional Firefighters, for failure to file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class two (2), no report filed, maximum ten thousand (\$10,000) civil penalty. The organization has had no previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to issue a show cause notice.

Tennessee Federation of Democratic Women, for failure to file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class two (2), no report filed, maximum ten thousand (\$10,000) civil penalty. The organization has had a previous matter before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to issue a show cause notice.

Tipton County Republican Party, for failure to timely file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class one (1), 11 days late, maximum two hundred seventy-five (\$275) civil penalty. The organization has had no previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to take no action.

Victory 2006 PAC, for failure to file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class two (2), no report filed, maximum ten thousand (\$10,000) civil penalty. The organization has had a previous matter before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to issue a show cause notice.

White County Democratic Party, for failure to file a 2015 Year-End Supplemental campaign financial disclosure report. Class two (2), no report filed, maximum ten thousand (\$10,000) civil penalty. The organization has had previous matters before the board.

On motion by Heim, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to issue a show cause notice.

Sworn Complaint

Sumner Sentinel

Director Rawlins provided the board with a sworn complaint filed with the Registry from Wes Duenkel against Sumner Sentinel.

After discussion, on motion by Lester, seconded by Fincher, the board voted unanimously to table this matter until the next regularly scheduled meeting to allow Registry staff an opportunity to gather additional information.

Executive Director's Report

- Director Rawlins informed the board that the legislation to clarify when civil penalties are required to be paid in order to qualify to run for state/local office was withdrawn from consideration.

Other Business

The board went into Executive Session to discuss questions attached to an April 7, 2016 letter from Anthony Orlandi.

After discussion, the Registry came back into the open meeting.

On motion by Morton, seconded by Heim, the board voted unanimously to decline to answer the questions based on the pending litigation with Williamson Strong.

John Allyn provided the board with an update on the Williamson Strong, Case No. 15-01, contested case hearing.

Without objection, the board voted unanimously to schedule the next Registry meeting for June 8, 2016.

On motion by Morton, seconded by Lester, the board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting until the next regularly scheduled meeting.