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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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The District of Columbia Board of Elections convened via Videoconference, pursuant to notice at 10:30 a.m. EST, Gary Thompson, Chair, presiding.

BOARD OF ELECTIONS MEMBERS PRESENT:

GARY THOMPSON, Chair
J.C. BOGGS, Member
KARYN GREENFIELD, Member

BOARD OF ELECTIONS STAFF PRESENT:

MONICA HOLMAN EVANS, Director
TERRI STROUD, General Counsel
CECILY COLLIER-MONTGOMERY, Office of Campaign Finance
WILLIAM SANFORD, General Counsel

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2 (10:34 a.m.)

3 CHAIR THOMPSON: All right, well good
4 morning, everybody, and happy new year. We're
5 kicking off 2023 ready to go. We appreciate
6 everybody's attendance. My name is Gary Thompson,
7 the Chair of the Board of Elections, now in my
8 second year in that role. We're also joined by
9 Zoom by Board Member Karyn Greenfield. To my
10 right is our newest Board Member, Jason Boggs, so
11 welcome to the Board.

12 MEMBER BOGGS: Thank you, Gary. It's
13 good to be here. It's my first meeting to start
14 off the year. Appreciate the Mayor's nomination
15 last year. I was sworn in this morning by Steve
16 Walker back here in the Mayor's office. I've just
17 had a great welcome of folks here. I'm originally
18 from Washington, D.C., born in the District and a
19 practicing attorney in town. Thanks.

20 CHAIR THOMPSON: All right, we're
21 excited that you're joining us. We appreciate
22 your service on the Board. I know you're a long-

1 time Washingtonian and you care very deeply about
2 the District of Columbia and our elections, so
3 welcome. And I think Michael Gill is off today,
4 Mr. Boggs' predecessor, so we'll see if we can
5 get him to attend our next meeting so we can
6 express our gratitude and wish Mike well. So with
7 that, we do have a forum with all three board
8 members here.

9 Our first order of business, as usual,
10 is to adopt our agenda. Our agenda was duly
11 noticed more than 48 hours ago, and we've all had
12 a chance to review it. With that I would move
13 that we adopt the agenda, if I could have a
14 second.

15 MEMBER BOGGS: Second.

16 CHAIR THOMPSON: All right. I see Karyn
17 waving, seconding by wave. All in favor say aye.

18 (Chorus of ayes).

19 CHAIR THOMPSON: Okay, let's get Karyn
20 unmuted.

21 MEMBER GREENFIELD: Aye.

22 CHAIR THOMPSON: The agenda passes.

1 Next, simple housekeeping, is approval of the
2 minutes of our last regular board meeting of
3 Wednesday, November 30th. The transcript is
4 available and we've seen the minutes. I would
5 move that we adopt those minutes, if I could have
6 a second?

7 MEMBER GREENFIELD: Second.

8 CHAIR THOMPSON: Okay, and I think, JC,
9 you were going to abstain or?

10 MEMBER BOGGS: Abstain.

11 CHAIR THOMPSON: Since he wasn't at the
12 meeting. Although Robert's Rules of Order
13 actually has a footnote on that, that you don't
14 have to be present at a meeting to approve their
15 minutes. I don't understand that footnote, but
16 anyway --

17 MEMBER BOGGS: I can read something I
18 approve.

19 CHAIR THOMPSON: All in favor?

20 MEMBER GREENFIELD: Aye

21 CHAIR THOMPSON: 2-0 the motion
22 carries. So on support matters, our series of

1 matters are Hearings on Petition for Enforcement
2 of Office of Campaign Finance Orders. There are
3 six of them, and I think these matters will be
4 presented by our director?

5 MS. EVANS: Bill Sanford.

6 CHAIR THOMPSON: Oh, Bill Sanford,
7 General Counsel of OCF. I see Mr. Sanford out
8 there, and we'll get you unmuted so you can walk
9 us through these six petitions.

10 MR. SANFORD: Good morning, Mr.
11 Chairman and distinguished Board Member
12 Greenfield, and a warm welcome to the newest
13 Board Member Boggs. My name is William Sanford,
14 General Counsel to the Office of Campaign
15 Finance. The Office of Campaign Finance
16 respectfully requests that the Board approve the
17 petitions for enforcement in the following
18 matters.

19 The first petition is a Petition to
20 Enforce an Order that the Office of Campaign
21 Finance Opposed on May 11, 2021 against the
22 Friends of Courtney Snowden Principal Campaign

1 Committee, in which a fine of \$1,650.00 was
2 imposed. The Respondent did not file the Report
3 of Receipts and Expenditure timely, and after the
4 order was issued, the Respondent did not pay the
5 fine, nor did the Respondent file a petition with
6 the Board. On that basis, we're requesting that
7 the Board authorize the general counsel of the
8 Board to take this matter to the D.C. Superior
9 Court and seek a Petition for Enforcement.

10 The second matter is the Committee to
11 Elect Jacques Patterson 2016. On May 11, 2021,
12 the Office of the General Counsel imposed a fine
13 of \$1,650.00 for failure to timely file a Report
14 of Receipts and Expenditures. Here again, the
15 Respondent did not pay the fine nor did the
16 Respondent petition the Board for review.

17 The next matter is Toliver for Ward 6.
18 This was issued on the 27th of April 2016. Here
19 again, the Office of the General Counsel imposed
20 a fine of \$1,600.00 for failure to timely file a
21 Report of Receipts and Expenditures. The
22 Respondent did not pay the fine, nor did the

1 Respondent petition the Board for review.

2 The next matter is Patterson for Ward
3 8. On October 5, 2018, the Office of the General
4 Counsel imposed a fine of \$500.00 for failure to
5 file a Report of Receipts and Expenditures. The
6 Respondent did not pay the fine, nor did the
7 Respondent petition the Board within the
8 prescribed time period.

9 The next matter is Bonita Goode 2016.
10 On May 14, 2021, the Office of the General
11 Counsel imposed a fine of \$1,650.00 against this
12 principal campaign committee and the candidate
13 for failing to timely file a Report of Receipts
14 and Expenditures, and the Respondent did not pay
15 the fine, nor did the Respondent petition the
16 Board for review.

17 I believe that covers the six matters
18 before the Board with today's date. There was one
19 other one, I'm sorry, it's Edwards and here
20 again, that's a Petition for Enforcement in which
21 the Respondent did not pay the fine nor did
22 Respondent petition the Board for review within

1 the prescribed time period.

2 Some of these matters appear to be
3 old, and that's because these are matters that
4 involve what we call continuing committees. If
5 committees continue after the election, they have
6 a continuing obligation to file reports on
7 January 31st and July 31st of each year until the
8 committees have terminated. This is the case with
9 most of these committees. They have failed to
10 timely file those reports and that's why the
11 matters are before the Board today.

12 CHAIR THOMPSON: We'll certainly give
13 each of the six Respondents a chance to comment,
14 or their counsel if they have counsel. Before we
15 do that, Mr. Sanford, could you just walk us
16 through how the amount of the fine was
17 determined? Is that statutory?

18 MR. SANFORD: The statutory fine
19 requirement is \$50.00 per day for each day of
20 delinquency, and we impose fines up until the
21 date the order is issued.

22 CHAIR THOMPSON: So I notice each one

1 I think is \$1,650.00. Is that a maximum?

2 MR. SANFORD: No, that's as of the date
3 of the order.

4 CHAIR THOMPSON: Okay.

5 MR. SANFORD: So that would represent
6 so many days multiplied by \$50.00 per day.

7 CHAIR THOMPSON: Okay. You've kind of
8 already answered this, but I noticed some of
9 these campaigns go back to 2016, so I was curious
10 for you to elaborate a little bit on how a
11 campaign was seven years old, six years old?

12 MR. SANFORD: Yeah, campaigns are
13 required to continue to file their Reports of
14 Receipts and Expenditures subsequent to the
15 election year, the election cycle. They are only
16 required to file two reports per year, January
17 31st and July 31st. Those are for continuing
18 committees. They are required. They have an
19 obligation to file those reports until they file
20 a termination. Some of the campaigns have
21 outstanding debts or they might have audit
22 issues, so they are required to file. If they do

1 not file, they are still subject to the fines.

2 CHAIR THOMPSON: Okay, and if we make
3 and approve a motion to approve these petitions
4 for enforcement, what happens next in the
5 process?

6 MR. SANFORD: Following the Board's
7 approval of the petitions, the general counsel
8 for the Board will file an order, file a petition
9 with the D.C. Superior Court requesting that the
10 Superior Court enter a judgment against the
11 committee, or in some cases the candidate for the
12 amount of the fine.

13 CHAIR THOMPSON: Okay, I don't have any
14 other questions. J.C., Karyn, any questions from
15 you all? Okay, all right go ahead.

16 MS. STROUD: I just wanted to provide
17 background as to what happened when the Petitions
18 for Enforcement were sent over to the Office of
19 the General Counsel. On September 30, 2022, the
20 Office of the General Counsel sent notices via
21 email and certified mail to each of the
22 Respondents in these matters informing them that

1 we would schedule pre-hearing conferences in each
2 of these matters to provide the Board with some
3 information it could use to determine whether or
4 not it wanted to accept the Petitions for
5 Enforcement.

6 So we scheduled pre-hearing
7 conferences on October 25th for two matters, and
8 two were held on October 25th. Four of the
9 matters today were held on October 26th. Again,
10 we sent notice via email and certified mail. I'll
11 just go through with respect to, in sequence, the
12 outcome of the pre-hearing conferences, including
13 whether or not the Respondents attended and what
14 they indicated if they did attend.

15 So with respect to the first matter on
16 the agenda, OCF versus Friends of Courtney
17 Snowden, we held this pre-hearing conference on
18 October 26th. Ms. Snowden did not attend, but she
19 acknowledged via email the receipt of the notice
20 of our pre-hearing conference and advised that
21 she could not attend, but was going to pay the
22 fine. She was offered via email a further pre-

1 hearing conference date on the morning of October
2 27th, and she was emailed instructions as to how
3 to go about arranging payment.

4 She did not appear at that pre-
5 hearing. Just prior to scheduling this matter for
6 a Board hearing and us sending out the December
7 15th notice of this hearing, OCF advised that no
8 payment was received. Mr. Sanford, if you could
9 confirm that no payment has in fact been received
10 with respect to this matter?

11 MR. SANFORD: The Office of Campaign
12 Finance has not received a payment.

13 MS. STROUD: We should ask if Ms.
14 Snowden is present, if she could raise her hand
15 via Zoom. Courtney Snowden?

16 CHAIR THOMPSON: Or anybody on her
17 behalf?

18 MS. STROUD: Mm-hmm. Hearing no comment
19 or indication that Ms. Snowden is present, I'll
20 proceed with the next matter. This would be OCF
21 versus the Committee to Elect Jacques Patterson
22 from 2016. We again sent notice of a pre-hearing

1 conference that took place on October 26th on
2 September 30th via email and certified mail. Is
3 either Mr. Jacques Patterson or Lamont Harell,
4 treasurer for the committee, present?

5 Okay, so there are two matters
6 involving Mr. Patterson and two different
7 campaigns. When he appeared in the other matter
8 against him, Mr. Patterson was advised of this
9 matter. He advised that he would pay the fine in
10 the instant case and the pre-hearing conference
11 was adjourned to allow him to work out a
12 settlement with the Office of Campaign Finance,
13 but he did not follow through.

14 Also, OCF indicated at the pre-hearing
15 conference that the report had yet to be filed.
16 As of today, there have been no updates from OCF
17 in that regard, so I would again ask Mr. Sanford
18 if there are any updates with respect to this
19 matter in terms of payment of the fine or
20 arrangements to pay?

21 MR. SANFORD: As of today's date, there
22 have been no updates, no submission of fines, or

1 any other arrangements with Mr. Patterson.

2 MS. STROUD: I'll just go out of turn
3 since we're dealing with Mr. Patterson, and the
4 Respondent in this instance is Patterson for Ward
5 8. The pre-hearing conference in this matter was
6 held on October 26, 2022, again with notice
7 served on September 30 via email and certified
8 mail. At this pre-hearing, the Respondent stated
9 that he wished to pay the fine in this matter and
10 in the other matter that was pending that we just
11 discussed.

12 Again, the pre-hearing was adjourned
13 to work out the terms of the settlement with OCF,
14 but there was no follow-through on this. OCF
15 indicated at the pre-hearing that the report had
16 yet to be filed. Mr. Sanford, is that still the
17 case? Has the report not been filed and has there
18 been any payment made or any arrangements for
19 payment to be made?

20 MR. SANFORD: That remains the case. No
21 payments have been made, no arrangements have
22 been agreed to.

1 MS. STROUD: Okay. And with respect to
2 Mr. Dwayne Toliver for Toliver for Ward 4, which
3 is Item No. 3 on the agenda, again, pre-hearing
4 conference held on October 26 pursuant to notice
5 served on September 30 via email and certified
6 mail.

7 Mr. Toliver did not appear at the pre-
8 hearing and the Board was unable to make contact
9 with him. He has not responded to the notices
10 received from the Board of Elections from the
11 Office of General Counsel, and I would just state
12 for the record that with respect to OCF's
13 proceedings, notices of hearings were served via
14 email on March 1, 2021 and March 22, 2021 for
15 hearings that occurred on March 16, 2021 and
16 April 7, 2021.

17 The Respondent did not appear at
18 either of those hearings. Again, we have no
19 updates with respect to Mr. Toliver and I would
20 ask if Mr. Sanford could indicate whether or not
21 he's made contact with OCF with respect to filing
22 the report and/or payment of the fine.

1 MR. SANFORD: We have not received any
2 payment of the fine or had any contact with Mr.
3 Toliver.

4 CHAIR THOMPSON: Is he here?

5 MS. STROUD: Oh, is Mr. Toliver here?
6 Mr. Dwayne Toliver? Okay. The next matter, Item
7 No. 5 is the Office of Campaign Finance versus
8 Bonita Goode 2016, Bonita Goode, Treasurer. I do
9 see that Ms. Goode is present. If I could ask you
10 to unmute Ms. Goode?

11 MS. GOODE: I'm here.

12 MS. STROUD: Hi, Ms. Goode.

13 MS. GOODE: Hi.

14 MS. STROUD: First, by way of
15 background, we held a pre-hearing conference in
16 this matter on October 25, 2022 pursuant to
17 notice received by certified mail and email. Ms.
18 Goode did appear at the pre-hearing conference,
19 and during the pre-hearing conference she had
20 indicated that she did not receive OCF's email
21 notifying her of the OCF proceedings.

22 OCF, for its part, stated that it sent

1 notice of its pre-hearings via email and they did
2 not receive any bounce-backs, indicating that the
3 sent email had not been received. They further
4 indicated that Ms. Goode attended OCF's mandatory
5 training program in February 2016, wherein she
6 affirmed by oath and signature that she would
7 adhere to the District's campaign finance laws.
8 Ms. Goode, you've heard the presentation by the
9 Office of Campaign Finance with respect to your
10 matter. You have the opportunity now to respond.

11 MS. GOODE: Yes. Thank you all. I try
12 to attend all the meetings. I caught up on all my
13 committee duties and responsibilities at a
14 reasonable time when I was notified. I had a
15 little concern about they said they notified me
16 by email, and it was during 2021 when the COVID
17 and everything was going on. I think maybe people
18 was in their office at home or whatever.

19 I was a little concerned about I
20 didn't get a notification through mail. I felt if
21 I had got something through mail along with the
22 email that's not being used and not being worked,

1 that I would've been able to handle this a little
2 bit better, a little bit faster and better. I
3 take my campaign responsibilities very important.
4 I'm thinking about my reputation and my
5 character, too.

6 I took that into consideration because
7 the Board sent me a certified letter through the
8 mail when it comes to the fines and the fees, but
9 I didn't get nothing beforehand about maybe I
10 missed it. I went back through my paperwork and I
11 looked on October 19th. I think it was July 19th.
12 They sent a reminder reminding all the community
13 people to make sure they did their committee
14 finance stuff.

15 I tried to explain different reasons
16 why I didn't do it. It wasn't done, but I felt
17 like I didn't know about the information. If I
18 had knew, I thought I had closed my committee. So
19 I have closed everything, filed everything that
20 I'm supposed to do, and I am hoping to -- I was
21 going to try to ask to try to get some kind of
22 settlement or work something out because I'm on

1 Social Security disability.

2 I can't really afford that. I've
3 closed up my committees and I've done everything
4 I possibly can do at this time, including
5 attending and responding. That's just where I'm
6 at now, to see what can be done.

7 MS. STROUD: And I will state for the
8 record that Ms. Goode did file the January 31st
9 Report of Receipts and Expenditures on October
10 7th of 2022. She also indicated during the pre-
11 hearing conference that she did file a
12 termination report. If Mr. Sanford could speak to
13 whether that report had been filed?

14 MR. SANFORD: The report has not been
15 approved because there's still outstanding fines,
16 so the termination cannot be approved until the
17 fines have been resolved. However, I would say
18 this to Ms. Goode. If she is prepared to try to
19 resolve this issue, we would be glad to reopen
20 it. I would recommend that she would contact Ms.
21 Pete at the Office of the General Counsel staff,
22 and we'll take a look at and try to figure out

1 how we can resolve it.

2 MS. GOODE: Okay, so I'm at this
3 meeting and I need to have another meeting. So if
4 I talk to Ms. Pete --

5 MR. SANFORD: Yes, let me just say
6 this, Ms. Goode. Our goal is actually compliance
7 here. It's not the imposition of fines. So our
8 primary concern is compliance, and according to
9 the General Counsel, you have fulfilled your
10 obligation to comply to make your filing
11 requirements. There's still the matter of the
12 outstanding fine. That can be negotiated. So if
13 you contact Ms. Pete of the Office of the General
14 Counsel staff, then we can see how we can
15 resolve.

16 MS. GOODE: Okay, I would be interested
17 in that.

18 MS. STROUD: So with respect to that,
19 I will recommend that the Board entertain a
20 motion to adjourn this matter pending the outcome
21 of negotiations between Ms. Goode and the Office
22 of Campaign Finance with respect to this matter.

1 That would be the General Counsel's
2 recommendation.

3 CHAIR THOMPSON: So moved. I will move
4 that we adjourn Item No. 5, Office of Campaign
5 Finance versus Bonita Goode 2016, to allow her to
6 engage in discussions with OCF.

7 MEMBER BOGGS: Second.

8 CHAIR THOMPSON: We have a second over
9 here. All in favor?

10 (Chorus of ayes).

11 CHAIR THOMPSON: Karyn, are you out
12 there somewhere to make it unanimous?

13 MS. STROUD: I don't see her.

14 CHAIR THOMPSON: We may have to re-
15 unmute. Yeah. Sorry about that.

16 MS. STROUD: Okay, I think she's
17 raising her hand, I don't know.

18 MEMBER GREENFIELD: Aye.

19 CHAIR THOMPSON: Okay, so the motion
20 carries with respect to the matter of Bonita
21 Goode 2016.

22 MS. STROUD: Okay, so --

1 CHAIR THOMPSON: Thank you, Ms. Goode.

2 MS. GOODE: Thank you very much, too.

3 MS. STROUD: Thank you, Ms. Goode.

4 MS. GOODE: All right, thank you all.

5 Have a good day.

6 MS. STROUD: You, too. With respect to
7 Item No. 6, the Office of Campaign Finance versus
8 Edwards for Ward 4, the Office of the General
9 Counsel served notice of a pre-hearing conference
10 scheduled for October 25, 2022 on September 30th
11 via email and certified mail. The Respondent did
12 not appear at the pre-hearing conference.

13 I will note that we sent notice to Ms.
14 Edwards both at the address provided by the
15 Office of Campaign Finance and the address that
16 is provided in the Board's own voter registry, so
17 we sent the notices by certified mail to those
18 addresses, as well as email. We have not been
19 able to make contact with Ms. Edwards at this
20 point. I would ask if the Office of Campaign
21 Finance has any updates with respect to the
22 filing of the report at issue and/or the payment

1 of the fine in this matter?

2 MR. SANFORD: As of today's date, we
3 have no updates.

4 CHAIR THOMPSON: Just to confirm the
5 obvious, I assume when a campaign files, they
6 confirm that the email they provide is a working
7 email and that the address they provide is a
8 operating address for purposes of receiving
9 notices?

10 MS. STROUD: Well, Mr. Sanford could
11 probably speak more directly to that, but yes.
12 They are also informed, to my knowledge, at the
13 entrance interviews and mandatory trainings that
14 candidates have to undergo, as well as their
15 treasurers, of the requirements in terms of
16 keeping their contact information up to date, as
17 well.

18 MR. SANFORD: That's correct. That is
19 correct.

20 MS. STROUD: So those are the matters
21 that OCF is asking the Board to take to the D.C.
22 Superior Court for enforcement. I don't think

1 this office has anything further.

2 CHAIR THOMPSON: Is Ms. Edwards
3 present?

4 MS. STROUD: Oh, Ms. Edwards? Marlana
5 Edwards?

6 CHAIR THOMPSON: I don't see her.

7 MS. STROUD: I don't see any indication
8 that she's present at this meeting.

9 CHAIR THOMPSON: Well, as Ms. Goode
10 demonstrated it's helpful to show up.

11 MS. STROUD: At this point, Mr.
12 Sanford, the Office of Campaign Finance's General
13 Counsel has presented requests that the Board
14 enforce its orders concerning the failure to
15 file, or failure to timely file, as the case may
16 be, whichever one it is, depending on the matter,
17 the January 31st, 2021 Report of Receipts and
18 Expenditures.

19 In five of these matters, the six
20 indicated minus the Office of Campaign Finance
21 versus Bonita Goode 2016, which has been
22 adjourned pending the outcome of negotiations

1 with the Office of Campaign Finance. So I would
2 recommend that the Board entertain a motion to go
3 forward with presenting these petitions for
4 enforcement in the D.C. Superior Court with
5 respect to all of the matters indicated with the
6 exception of Office of Campaign Finance versus
7 Bonita Goode 2016.

8 CHAIR THOMPSON: Without trying to re-
9 recite all that, I will so move that we get these
10 Petitions for Enforcement regarding those five
11 campaigns.

12 MEMBER BOGGS: I'll second that.

13 CHAIR THOMPSON: All in favor?

14 (Chorus of ayes).

15 CHAIR THOMPSON: Motion carries, 3-0.

16 MS. STROUD: The orders will issue and
17 then my office will pursue these matters in the
18 D.C. Superior Court.

19 CHAIR THOMPSON: Thank you, Mr.
20 Sanford. So with that ruled upon, we'll proceed
21 with the Executive Director's Report from Monica
22 Evans.

1 MS. EVANS: Good morning. I'd like my
2 first order of business to be to officially
3 welcome our newest Board member, J.C. Boggs,
4 welcome.

5 MEMBER BOGGS: Thank you, thank you.

6 MS. EVANS: I'm very much looking
7 forward to working with you and I'm only a phone
8 call away if you ever have any questions or need
9 anything, so thank you. On December 6th I was on
10 a panel at the Bipartisan Policy Center Summit.
11 Election officials, secretaries of state,
12 academics and others discussed the 2022 midterm
13 elections and examined trends and issues to
14 address ahead of upcoming elections.

15 We also had our budget review team
16 meeting in December to present our FY2024 budget.
17 We have requested funding to upgrade systems and
18 replace equipment ahead of the next election
19 cycle. On December 14th, we conducted recounts
20 for Advisory Neighborhood Commission Single-
21 Member District 5A06 and ANC SMD 7C05.

22 We certified results for the ANC SMD

1 5A06 contests changed from Derrick Holloway to
2 Kwiku A. Ture. The Board recertified this
3 election result on Monday, December 19th, and
4 certified the election results for the two ANC
5 contests that ended in a tie, 3E07 and 6E02. Of
6 course, we have a busy year ahead of us as far as
7 2023 next steps and off election year planning.

8 We are continuing to meet with our
9 vendors regarding what worked well and what can
10 be improved with future elections. We have
11 already met with No Inc., ESNS, Runbeck and VR
12 Systems. We have meetings scheduled with K&H
13 Milhouse and with BallotTrax. We will be
14 conducted list maintenance to update our voter
15 registration database. Returned ballots are being
16 entered into voter focus as this is the first
17 step in the process.

18 We will also take steps to fully
19 implement new legislation that was signed in
20 2022, and this legislation will be effective for
21 the 2024 election cycle. Specifically, we will
22 take actions to become compliant with the

1 Elections Modernization Amendment Act of 2022 and
2 the Local Resident Voting Rights Amendment Act of
3 2022. We will have to engage in a comprehensive
4 education and outreach campaign and develop an
5 election data portal and data visualization
6 dashboard.

7 Now that we are required to operate
8 vote centers and send out ballots for all
9 elections, we will need to procure a mailhouse
10 for each election and expand ballot-on-demand or
11 BOD voting. During 2023, we will also update our
12 informational materials and look for ways to
13 improve our website. Other administrative
14 matters, further education and outreach.

15 During the month of December, the
16 voter education and outreach division conducted
17 two outreach events on behalf of the agency.
18 Events included the YMCA Anthony Bowen Branch
19 Youth Summit and the 24th Annual Senior Holiday
20 Celebration at the D.C. Armory. Voter
21 registration rolls. In December we registered
22 1,266 new voters and processed 3,397 registration

1 changes.

2 In total, we prepared 4,963 voter
3 registration cards to be mailed. We are
4 continuing to register voters using our website
5 portal. To date, we have processed over 33,283
6 applications using the portal, and these include
7 new voter registrations and updates to existing
8 registrations. That concludes my report.

9 CHAIR THOMPSON: Just a follow-up
10 question because I know there's a lot of public
11 interest in this. Can you walk through the
12 process for updating voter registration lists?
13 What are the steps that are ahead of us the next
14 couple months?

15 MS. EVANS: So we have very specific
16 list maintenance requirements that require
17 multiple mailings to be sent. One mailing is sent
18 that cannot be forwarded. Another mailing is sent
19 that can be forwarded. Individuals are actually
20 placed on an inactive list or in an inactive
21 status before they are actually permanently
22 removed from the list.

1 As far as the mailings, returned
2 ballots that we received for the 2022 general
3 election can be used as one of those official
4 mailers that we receive, and that's why we're in
5 the process of entering those returned mailings
6 into our database so that can count as the first
7 mailer for list maintenance purposes.

8 CHAIR THOMPSON: I appreciate that and
9 I think, as I've said a few times, it's a very
10 careful process and it has to be careful because
11 you're literally removing somebody from the
12 active voter registration list and don't want to
13 inadvertently disenfranchise anybody, while at
14 the same time we want the list to be updated and
15 accurate. It's a meticulous process, as it should
16 be. This is something that will take place over
17 the next several months.

18 MS. EVANS: That's correct, yes.

19 CHAIR THOMPSON: Okay. Oh, and when
20 will the counsel grant all our budget requests?

21 MS. EVANS: Not soon enough.

22 CHAIR THOMPSON: Okay, all right. When

1 will they grant some or maybe all of them?

2 February? March?

3 MS. EVANS: I don't know what the exact
4 timeline is for hearing back. We not only have
5 our 2024 budget at the budget mark, but we also
6 have submitted enhancement requests, so we will
7 typically hear about our budget mark, which we
8 will probably receive, which is about \$12
9 million. As far as our enhancements, I'm not sure
10 when they will give us a decision on those budget
11 enhancements.

12 CHAIR THOMPSON: By my review, all are
13 very important enhancements, starting with
14 additional full-time employees to help implement
15 the counsel's latest Elections Modernization Act
16 all the way through an enhancement to improve pay
17 for our election workers. Between equipment and
18 all kinds of things, it all seemed incredibly
19 obvious to me, so I hope the counsel hears us.

20 MS. EVANS: Yes, and then of course we
21 really do need to upgrade and provide additional
22 parameters around our mail ballot processing. We

1 stood up an entire mail ballot processing
2 operation very quickly in 2020 to respond to the
3 pandemic, and now that we're required to do so,
4 we need to make sure that that process is very
5 formalized and actually get the equipment we need
6 to ensure that we are engaging in that endeavor
7 efficiently.

8 CHAIR THOMPSON: Okay. Any other
9 questions for Director Evans? No? Okay. General
10 Counsel's report.

11 MEMBER BOGGS: Thank you.

12 MEMBER GREENFIELD: Thank you.

13 MS. STROUD: Thank you. Hello again,
14 everyone. The first item on my agenda is
15 Rulemaking to Title III of the D.C. Municipal
16 Regulations, the title that encompasses the rules
17 of the Board of Elections. I think the Rulemaking
18 is an Emergency Proposed Rulemaking to amend
19 Chapters 30, 33, 37 and 42 of the Office of
20 Campaign Finance's Portion of the Regulation. So
21 I will defer to General Counsel Sanford to give
22 an explanation of the regulations.

1 MR. SANFORD: Good morning again, Mr.
2 Chairman and distinguished Board members. I hope
3 you can hear me.

4 CHAIR THOMPSON: Yes.

5 MEMBER GREENFIELD: Yes.

6 MR. SANFORD: Okay, thank you. The
7 Office of Campaign Finance respectfully requests
8 that the Board approve Rulemaking to amend
9 Chapters 30, 33, 37 and 42 of the District of
10 Columbia Municipal Regulations. I will briefly
11 summarize what the amendments entail. Chapter 30,
12 Subsection 300.32, 33, 34 and 35 requires that
13 political action committees establish non-
14 contribution accounts for the purpose of making
15 independent expenditures. These accounts must be
16 segregated from the other accounts those tax
17 years.

18 Chapter 30, Subsection 3001.1 provides
19 for in-person training of candidates and their
20 treasurers. Subsection 3008.31, 32, 34, 35, 36
21 and 37 amends the regulations to include the
22 covered contractor provisions which became

1 effective after the last election. These
2 provisions prohibit current holders of D.C.
3 government contracts and those who are competing
4 for contracts with the D.C. government from
5 making contributions to political campaigns.

6 Subsection 3011.5 establishes
7 contribution limits, excluding the limits on
8 personal funds and independent expenditures.

9 Subsection 3011.36 exempts initiative and
10 referendum committees from the contribution
11 limits. Subsection 3011.37, 38, 39 and 40
12 identifies the offices under which covered
13 contractors are prohibited from making
14 contributions.

15 Subsection 3013.2 restates the
16 restrictions on the use of campaign funds.

17 Chapter 33 restates the prohibition on the use of
18 government resources for campaign purposes.

19 Chapter 37 revises the schedule of fines. Chapter
20 42 amends the fair elections program regarding
21 matching funds and disbursement of funds
22 electronically and through debit cards.

1 I would just like to add that the
2 Board had previously approved these provisions,
3 and so we are seeking re-approval because the
4 prior approval which was granted by the Board
5 expired at the end of September of 2022. These
6 regulations, in order for them to be effective
7 and for implementation, they must be re-approved
8 by the Board. We are seeking that approval today.

9 MS. STROUD: So on behalf of the Office
10 of Campaign Finance, I recommend that the Board
11 entertain a motion to adopt this emergency and
12 Proposed Rulemaking that would amend Chapters 30,
13 33, 37 and 42 which would place the Board's
14 regulations into conformity with the Campaign
15 Finance Reform and Conflict of Interest Public
16 Disclosure Amendment Act of 2011, as well as the
17 Board of Ethics and Government Accountability
18 Establishment and Comprehensive Ethics Reform
19 Amendment Act of 2011 as amended by the COVID-19
20 Response Supplemental Emergency Amendment Act of
21 2020.

22 I recommend that the Board adopt this

1 so that it can be submitted to the D.C. Register,
2 at which point it would become effective as it
3 constitutes an emergency Proposed Rulemaking.

4 CHAIR THOMPSON: Thank you for reciting
5 all that detail. I will so move. Is there a
6 second? Karyn? We may need to unmute Karyn again.

7 MEMBER GREENFIELD: I second.

8 CHAIR THOMPSON: All in favor?

9 MEMBER GREENFIELD: Aye.

10 MEMBER BOGGS: I was going to add, it
11 all makes sense to me. I just sat down and
12 haven't had a chance to -- there's a lot in there
13 to digest it. I'm just going to abstain.

14 CHAIR THOMPSON: Okay, yes. As Mr.
15 Sanford mentioned, we approved it previously and
16 this is the re-approval, so that makes good
17 sense. So the vote carries 2-0.

18 MS. STROUD: Thank you. The next item
19 on my agenda is the litigation status. The first
20 item is Henderson versus D.C. Board of Elections,
21 which is in the D.C. Court of Appeals. This
22 matter involves a recall petition that was filed

1 by Ms. Henderson against Sydelle Moore, who was
2 the advisory neighborhood commissioner for
3 single-member district 5D05.

4 That petition was rejected due to an
5 insufficient number of signatures. Ms. Henderson
6 appealed the matter to the D.C. Court of Appeals.
7 On November 10th, the Court issued an order
8 directing that the parties file briefs addressing
9 whether the case is moot in light of the November
10 8, 2022 general election.

11 In its brief, the Board contended that
12 the case was effectively moot as a recall
13 election could not be scheduled before Moore's
14 term expires on January 2, 2023, which of course
15 is now in the past. On December 6th, the Court
16 issued an order dismissing Ms. Henderson's appeal
17 as moot, which means that this matter is closed.

18 The next item on the agenda is the
19 Public Interest Legal Foundation versus Monica
20 Evans in her official capacity as the Director of
21 the Board of Elections. This is in U.S. District
22 Court for the District of Columbia. This matter

1 was filed in that court under the National Voter
2 Registration Act, or the NVRA.

3 The suit alleges that the Board is out
4 of compliance with the NVRA's public records
5 provision because PILF had requested records from
6 the Board and the Board denied that request due
7 to the requested records not being subject to
8 public disclosure. This matter is still pending,
9 but it has been fully briefed.

10 The third item is Williams versus the
11 District of Columbia. This was filed in September
12 2022 against the District of Columbia regarding
13 the Board's publication of certified election
14 results on its website instead of in the D.C.
15 Register. The plaintiff requested that new
16 elections be held and that actions issued by the
17 affected administrations, particularly with
18 respect to zoning and property disposition, be
19 nullified. The Office of the Attorney General
20 plans to file a motion to dismiss in this matter.

21 The final matter is Dorothy Douglas
22 versus the D.C. Board of Elections. This case is

1 in the D.C. Court of Appeals. On December 7th,
2 Dorothy Douglas, a candidate who lost her
3 election bid to become advisory neighborhood
4 commissioner for single member district 7C07,
5 filed a pro se petition in the court seeking to
6 decertify the election results in that race.

7 Ms. Douglas alleges that she lost
8 votes as a result of voters in SMD 7C07 being
9 given ballots for 7D03. On December 2nd, the
10 court ordered that Ms. Douglas' petition be
11 filed, that the case be expedited, and it set a
12 deadline for the Board to file a designation of
13 record for January 11th and for Ms. Douglas'
14 motion for summary reversal of the election
15 results be filed on January 23rd. Then the Board
16 would have seven days to respond to Ms. Douglas'
17 motion.

18 That concludes the litigation status,
19 as well as my overall report.

20 CHAIR THOMPSON: All right, thank you
21 so much. Turning to our Office of Campaign
22 Finance Director, Cecily Collier-Montgomery?

1 MS. COLLIER-MONTGOMERY: Yes, good
2 morning. For the record, the full report of the
3 activity of the Office of Campaign Finance for
4 the month of December 2022 will be posted at the
5 OCF website, www.ocf.dc.gov before the close of
6 business today. I will, however, at this time,
7 highlight a few items from the report for the
8 public.

9 First, in our Fair Elections Program
10 Division, during the month of December and as of
11 this date, the OCF has authorized a total sum of
12 \$13,529,614.50 for disbursement from the Fair
13 Elections Fund in base amount and matching
14 payment to the 42 candidates who were certified
15 in the Fair Elections Program to participate in
16 the June 21, 2022 primary election and the
17 November 8, 2022 general election.

18 During the month of December 2022, the
19 OCF authorized six disbursements from the fund
20 through participating candidates again who were
21 certified in the 2022 election cycle, and those
22 disbursements are listed in our report. With

1 respect to desk reviews and other activities, the
2 FEP Division conducted 24 desk reviews of the
3 December 10, 2022 reports and amended Reports of
4 Receipts and Expenditures which were filed with
5 Agency and issued eight requests for additional
6 information letters based on the review of those
7 reports.

8 With remitted funds as of December 31,
9 2022, the total sum of \$667,679.43 has been
10 remitted for deposit in the fund from the
11 campaign operations again of candidates who were
12 certified to participate in the 2022 election.
13 There are currently 27 post-election audits which
14 are ongoing before the Fair Elections Program at
15 various stages in the audit process. The audits
16 and the status of each are listed in the OCF
17 report.

18 In our Public Information and Records
19 Management Division for the month of December,
20 there was one filing deadline for the filing of
21 Reports of Receipts and Expenditures during the
22 month of December, and that was the December 10th

1 Report of Receipts and Expenditures, which was
2 due by the principal campaign committees,
3 political action committees, the FEP candidate
4 committees, independent expenditure committees,
5 and the inaugural committees. The real-time
6 images of the reports are available at the OCF
7 website for review by the public.

8 For the 2024 election cycle, there
9 were no new candidate registrations for the month
10 of December 2022. In addition, there were no new
11 committee registrations for the month of December
12 2022. One new treasurer completed the OCF
13 entrance conference in December 2022.

14 In terms of referrals to the Office of
15 the General Counsel, the Public Information and
16 Records Management Division referred for the
17 failure to file timely the December 10th Report
18 of Receipts and Expenditures five principal
19 campaign committees, one Fair Elections Program
20 candidate committee, and three political action
21 committees for enforcement action. In our
22 traditional audit program, which is our Reports

1 Analysis and Audit Program, the RAAP conducted
2 107 desk reviews of Reports of Receipts and
3 Expenditures which have been filed with the
4 Agency, and issued 12 requests for additional
5 information as a result of the reports which were
6 reviewed.

7 The traditional audit program also
8 issued three compliance audits which are
9 available at our website for review by the
10 public. These were compliance audits. The first
11 was PILF's Fund for Citizen Service. The audit
12 report was issued on December 12, 2022 for the
13 October 1, 2022 financial report, which had been
14 filed by the citizen services program. Kenyan
15 McDuffie 2022, the audit report was issued on
16 December 12, 2022 of the August 10, 2022
17 financial report, which had been filed by the
18 committee.

19 Fascher for Mayor 2022, the audit
20 report was issued on December 12, 2022 of the
21 August 10, 2022 financial report. For the record,
22 I would just indicate that with the periodic

1 audits that are conducted by the traditional
2 audit branch, the committees are required to
3 submit all of the financial documents which
4 underlie the expenditures and the receipts that
5 are reported on the report for that particular
6 coverage period.

7 With respect to ongoing periodic
8 audits at this time, there are none in the audit
9 branch, but the traditional audit branch we do
10 anticipate that we will initiate audits for the
11 newly-elected public officials whose campaigns
12 participated in the traditional campaign finance
13 program. We also will, with respect to the Fair
14 Elections Program, initiate full field audits of
15 the candidates who were certified to participate
16 in that program, as well. That concludes my
17 report, but I would ask the General Counsel to
18 present the report on behalf of the Office of the
19 General Counsel.

20 CHAIR THOMPSON: All right. Well,
21 before that, I'll just express my ongoing thanks
22 to the OCF and its staff for implementing the

1 Fair Elections Program and the ongoing
2 traditional program. It's truly impressive. Years
3 ago the council adopted the program and it got a
4 partial start in 2020, but 2022 was obviously the
5 first election cycle where it really all kicked
6 in. It's just incredibly impressive to see a
7 number like \$13.5 million that was disbursed to
8 41 different candidates participating in that
9 program, money that enabled those candidates,
10 largely through matching, to run for office and
11 create a larger field of qualified candidates for
12 the voters to choose from. I hope the council is
13 pleased with how well it's been implemented.
14 Also, this is my favorite part. If they don't use
15 the money, they have to return it.

16 MS. COLLIER-MONTGOMERY: That's true.

17 CHAIR THOMPSON: So that's \$667,000
18 coming back into the fund, which is nice to see
19 and obviously incredibly important to carefully
20 monitoring how public taxpayer dollars are used
21 as the incredible amount of audit activity that
22 takes place. Twenty-seven audits in the Fair

1 Elections Program, three more audits in the
2 traditional program.

3 That's a lot of time and a lot of work
4 really going through line by line every
5 expenditure by these campaigns to make sure
6 everything tics and ties as it should. To tie it
7 back in with what we just saw earlier in this
8 meeting, there's a few stragglers that don't
9 report. If you don't report, then we can't audit,
10 can't review, can't confirm that dollars are
11 spent appropriately.

12 With the fines that are available for
13 those who don't report timely, hopefully the
14 whole system works as best as it can to make sure
15 the dollars are used in the way they're supposed
16 to be used. So that report all speaks to the
17 success of the program in 2022. It's just
18 something I'm continually impressed with and I
19 just wanted to say that.

20 MS. COLLIER-MONTGOMERY: Thank you.

21 CHAIR THOMPSON: So with that, Mr.
22 Sanford, a report from General Counsel? I think

1 we have to re-unmute him.

2 MR. SANFORD: Good morning again, Mr.
3 Chairman and distinguished Board members. This is
4 William Sanford giving the report for the Office
5 of the General Counsel and the Office of Campaign
6 Finance. During the month of December 2022, as
7 the director has indicated, the Office of the
8 General Counsel received 10 referrals. The Office
9 of the General Counsel issued three orders in
10 which a total of \$5,850 in fines was imposed.

11 The Office of the General Counsel
12 imposed fines against the following Respondents:
13 Friends of Courtney Snowden, a fine of \$1,950 was
14 imposed, Toliver for Ward 4, a fine of \$1,950 was
15 imposed, and Carter at large, a fine of \$1,950
16 was imposed. During the month of December 2022,
17 the Office of the General Counsel collected one
18 fine for \$500, which was submitted for the Perry
19 Red for Ward 4 Council principal campaign
20 committee.

21 During the month of December 2022, one
22 full investigation was initiated pursuant to a

1 complaint that was filed by Eric Goulet. The
2 complaint was docketed on the 29th of December,
3 2022. The Respondents are Elissa Silverman and
4 the Elissa for D.C. principal campaign committee.
5 The allegation is that the Respondents violated
6 the Fair Elections Act by making an illegal
7 contribution to another principal campaign
8 committee.

9 During the month of December 2022,
10 there were no requests for interpretive opinions
11 and no show cause proceedings were conducted.
12 That should conclude my report. The contents of
13 the report will be published at the Office of
14 Campaign Finance website by close of business on
15 today's date, January 4, 2023.

16 CHAIR THOMPSON: And just to clarify
17 that, this complaint filed by Mr. Goulet, that's
18 entirely new and separate from the matter that we
19 heard last December?

20 MR. SANFORD: Yes, that's a new
21 complaint.

22 CHAIR THOMPSON: Which I presume you'll

1 proceed to investigate that, is that right?

2 MR. SANFORD: The parties have been all
3 notified. To avoid any misunderstanding in terms
4 of the timeline, we have given specific time
5 periods in which we expect responses.

6 CHAIR THOMPSON: Thank you so much.
7 Before we proceed to public matters, anything
8 else that anybody needs to raise?

9 MS. STROUD: No, Mr. Chair. I don't
10 have anything further.

11 MEMBER GREENFIELD: No.

12 CHAIR THOMPSON: All right, okay. So
13 we're always pleased to hear public comment.
14 Generally anybody who would like to speak can
15 speak for three minutes. If any people would like
16 to speak, all you have to do is raise your Zoom
17 hand and we'll call on you one at a time from top
18 to bottom, I guess.

19 MS. BRIZILL: Mr. Chairman, this is
20 Dorothy Brizill. I'd like to speak.

21 CHAIR THOMPSON: All right, go ahead,
22 your three minutes will be appreciated.

1 MS. BRIZILL: I have one quick question
2 to general counsel. The administrative order in
3 the Silverman case heard in December has not been
4 posted on the website. Has it been written and
5 filed with the Board?

6 MS. STROUD: It has not been issued as
7 of yet. It will be issued this week.

8 MS. BRIZILL: My next question goes to
9 Ms. Edwards. She indicated that there was a
10 budget briefing of some sort, I could not fully
11 understand her. What kind of budget briefing? Is
12 this the preliminary budget with the Mayor's
13 office of the budget? What sort of upgrades and
14 replacement of equipment is she seeking? Was I
15 correct when I heard that the amount is \$12
16 million?

17 MS. EVANS: Ms. Brizill, I assume
18 you're referring to me, not Ms. Edwards? But yes,
19 in early December we had our budget review team
20 meeting with the Executive Office of the Mayor
21 and went through the budget requests for FY2024,
22 as well as presenting several enhancement

1 requests for 2024. The budget mark is \$12,172,000
2 for FY2024.

3 As far as enhancement requests, we
4 have asked for enhancements for our ballot-on-
5 demand printers to upgrade those that are not the
6 latest technology, and also our mail balloting
7 processing equipment at the warehouse,
8 particularly now since we had the passage of the
9 Elections Modernization Amendment Act and are
10 required to have a fully operational mail ballot
11 processing system. We do need some redundancy
12 with some of the equipment and we do need to
13 upgrade some of that equipment, as well.

14 MS. BRIZILL: The \$12 million is
15 specifically for what purpose then?

16 MS. EVANS: That is for our personnel
17 and then our operational budget.

18 MS. BRIZILL: So the \$12 million is not
19 for new equipment?

20 MS. EVANS: That is correct. We issued
21 some budget enhancement requests for that new
22 equipment.

1 MS. BRIZILL: I don't understand, nor
2 am I familiar with the term budget enhancement.
3 The budget enhancement you're talking about is
4 just to purchase or replace equipment?

5 MS. EVANS: Budget enhancements are for
6 different reasons. It's not just equipment.
7 Budget enhancement requests will essentially be
8 our ask for anything that's not included in our
9 budget mark, so that would be for anything such
10 as personnel or equipment or increased stipends
11 for election workers, upgrading IT systems,
12 upgrading warehouse facilities, et cetera. So
13 it's anything that's not included in the budget
14 mark.

15 MS. BRIZILL: Okay, can we go back. I'm
16 trying to take notes on this, and I've missed
17 something or I've misunderstood you on some
18 point. The \$12.1 million you're requesting is for
19 the FY2024 budget. I thought I heard you say that
20 that was for personnel. You're saying that that's
21 for both personnel and equipment?

22 MS. EVANS: No, part of that is

1 personnel budget. So we do have personnel that
2 comes out of that, but also we do have
3 operational costs that come out of that, as well.

4 MS. BRIZILL: What other budget enhance
5 -- what is the budget enhancement figure? Is it
6 separate?

7 MS. EVANS: Those are separate line
8 items for additional requests that we are making
9 of the council.

10 MS. BRIZILL: For what purpose? For
11 what purpose were budget enhancements?

12 MS. EVANS: I don't have the
13 enhancement packet in front of me. We had I want
14 to say 11 enhancement requests that we submitted,
15 everything from increasing election worker
16 stipends to replacing equipment that needs to be
17 replaced with our ballot-on-demand printers, with
18 adding sorting trays to our AGILIS mail sorting
19 equipment, enhancing our ballot processing
20 machines from the current equipment to the latest
21 equipment, which would allow us to be more
22 efficient with the counting of ballots, and

1 standing up a more formalized mail ballot system.

2 But then also with the Elections
3 Modernization Amendment Act, we have to create a
4 dashboard and that dashboard has certain data
5 points, and so we have realized that we need to
6 look at formalizing our information around data
7 and data analysis and the collection of that
8 information.

9 MS. BRIZILL: Let me --

10 CHAIR THOMPSON: If I may interject and
11 maybe cap this off, there's a whole process
12 before a council committee can approve our
13 budget, correct?

14 MS. EVANS: That is correct.

15 CHAIR THOMPSON: I think I attended
16 last year, it was in March or April?

17 MS. EVANS: The BRT meeting was held in
18 December, but yes, in the spring we will actually
19 have the formal meeting.

20 CHAIR THOMPSON: The formal meeting in
21 front of the committee.

22 MS. EVANS: Yes, that's correct.

1 CHAIR THOMPSON: I guess just for the
2 record, I believe we're no longer under the
3 oversight of the Judiciary and Public Affairs
4 Committee and we're being shifted over to a
5 different committee?

6 MS. EVANS: Yeah.

7 CHAIR THOMPSON: What's it called?

8 MS. EVANS: Yes, we will now be under
9 Councilmember Anita Bonds.

10 CHAIR THOMPSON: Bonds, it's like
11 public administration?

12 MS. EVANS: I think that, yeah.

13 CHAIR THOMPSON: Yeah, so sometime in
14 several months, Councilmember Bonds will hold
15 hearing to review our budget, Fiscal Year 2024
16 budget requests with our requested enhancements?

17 MS. EVANS: Yes.

18 CHAIR THOMPSON: The public meeting
19 information will be made available and public
20 comment can be taken at that time.

21 MS. EVANS: That is correct.

22 MS. STROUD: And the committee which is

1 under Anita Bonds is the Committee on Executive
2 Administration and Labor.

3 CHAIR THOMPSON: Okay. So that's six or
4 actually seven minutes. If we can move on to
5 anyone else that would like to comment? Scroll
6 down and make sure we're not missing anybody? All
7 right, well, it's been a very productive and
8 constructive meeting. I want to thank everybody
9 for attending. Thank you, especially, to our
10 newest Board member, J.C. Boggs. I guess with
11 that, I would move that we adjourn.

12 MEMBER BOGGS: I'll second.

13 CHAIR THOMPSON: Second. All in favor?

14 (Chorus of ayes).

15 CHAIR THOMPSON: All three. Thank you
16 everybody, and we'll see you next month on the
17 first Wednesday.

18 (Wherefore, the above-entitled
19 proceeding went off the record at 11:41 a.m.)
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