

Executive Ethics Board News

Judy Golberg, Chair
Neil Gorrell, Vice-Chair
Linnaea Jablonski, Member
Mike Connelly, Member
Martin Biegelman, Member

November 14, 2008

The Executive Ethics Board (Board) met on Friday, November 14, 2008. All members were present, except Martin Biegelman who was just appointed by the Governor, effective November 12th. Others attending included: Melanie de Leon, Executive Director, Ruthann Bryant, Board Secretary, Nancy Lewin and Susan Jones, Investigators, and Jerry Anderson, Senior AAG, Board Counsel. Other members of the public also attended.

Enforcement

In lieu of an enforcement hearing, the Board accepted a stipulation from Maria McBride, Customer Service Representative for LNI. Ms. McBride agreed to pay a civil penalty of \$500, for violating RCW 42.52.160(1).

Other

A. The Board elected new officer for 2009: Neil Gorrell will be the new Chair; Linnaea Jablonski, the Vice-Chair.

B. The Board held a public hearing regarding the filing of a CR 102 to revise WAC 292-110-010, Use of Resources. Due to the issues received via written comments and oral testimony, the Board decided to take some more time to review the public comments to see if they should be incorporated into the revision. A new proposed revision will be forthcoming after the first of the year and the rulemaking process will start over.

C. The Board approved the Everett Community College's Ethics Policy.

Training

Recurring 4-hour ethics training began in November and the next two sessions in January and April 2009 are currently full. Future dates include: 6/18/09, 8/20/09, and 10/15/09.

Meeting agendas can be found at www.ethics.wa.gov under "Meetings."

The next meeting of the Executive Ethics Board is scheduled for January 9, 2009.