ETHICS BOARD MEETING
MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SESSION

The Ethics Board ("Board") met on Wednesday May 20th, 2026, at 2:30pm by conference call via Microsoft Teams.

Call to Order & Statement Concerning the Recording of the Public Session: Chair Stephan Fogleman called the Board meeting to order at 2:32 p.m. All Board members, a quorum, were present. No members were absent.

Chair Stephan Fogleman read the following statement:

> All participants in the Public Session of the Board meeting acknowledge and consent to the video and audio recording of the Public Session and the publication of the recording on the Board's website and social media accounts.

Statement Concerning the Administrative Session of the April 8th Board Meeting: Chair Fogleman read the following statement:

> Per the Open Meetings Act, the Board discloses that it adjourned its virtual open meeting on April 8th to enter the Administrative Session at approximately 3:14 p.m. All Board members were present. No members were absent. Members discussed administrative matters including complaints.
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> The Board may need to close some or all of this meeting to preserve the confidentiality mandated by the Ethics Code or as otherwise authorized by the State Open Meetings Act. Likewise, upon adjournment of the Open Session, the Board may reconvene for an Administrative Session to discuss non-public, administrative functions of the Board.

Review of Schedules and Agenda:

Approval of Written Minutes for the Public Session of the April 8th Board Meeting: The Board moved to approve the written minutes of the April 8th Board Meeting.

The Board thanked departing Member Arnold Sampson for his dedicated service to the citizens of Baltimore.

Staff Update: Special Assistant Anetra Moore provided the following update for financial disclosures. The ethics staff will read the metrics at the June board meeting.

- Financial Disclosure Statements: we started off with 3,490 required filers, at this time 3,160 required filers have filed, leaving 330 left to file.

NEW BUSINESS MATTERS:

1. Mayor's Office of Children and Family Success (MOCFS) Coordinated Response to Youth Violence Program – Gift Solicitation Waiver

MOCFS requested a waiver to solicit in-kind donations and services for youth participating in its violence intervention program. The Board discussed donation tracking, reporting requirements, and concerns

regarding direct solicitation by the Mayor and Chief of Staff. The Board approved the waiver for one year, with the amendment of the Mayor and Chief of Staff prohibited from directly soliciting donations

2. Baltimore Police Department (BPD) Signal 13 Foundation Awards Banquet – Gift Solicitation Waiver

BPD requested renewal of its waiver for the Signal 13 Foundation Awards Banquet and sought permission for designated BPD personnel to assist with outreach to prior donors following the death of a key fundraiser. The Board discussed concerns about police personnel participating in fundraising activities and limiting outreach to previous donors. The Board approved the extension, permitting renewal of the waiver and the requested amendment for designated BPD personnel to assist with outreach to prior donors.

3. **Department of Planning (DOP) 2019 Sustainability Plan – Gift Solicitation Waiver**

The Board requested to vote on DOP waiver during the June board meeting.

The Public Session adjourned at 3:18 p.m.