

# ETHICS COMMITTEE

MARCH 17, 2003

Erickson  
Pugh  
Davids  
Rhodes  
Murphy

6:35 call to order

Roll



Mahoney - absent

- > Introduction of Members and Staff
- > Deb McKnight - history - key issues  
(due process, executive session)
- > Deb reviewed chart - based upon  
the rules of procedure.

— Davids — been on long time —  
what did committee decide about  
talking to press

Also, shouldn't all members and  
alternates attend all meetings

— Pugh - Rule 10 — page 4, line 6

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- Davids → shouldn't there be co-chairs vs. a vice-chair?

> Staff check

> Murphy - past practice - keep confidential until public is aware of issues, i.e., they

> Rhodes - when to discuss? are public

> Deb McKnight - reviewed DM 46

> Pugh - probable cause - if we were in courts - plus discipline - seems to be model of committee rules?

Deb - not sure - tried to recall history - sometimes there was an extensive record

Pugh - it appears practice has been to have one big hearing vs. two.

Deb - responded

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Dauids - we have not in my experience had two formal hearings - cited the rule No. 7. Also, what about 12g?

Deb. - comments on relevance

> Dauids - Move to adopt rules -

Pugh - possible addi

Amend - DM47 - release to public vote in executive session

Dauids - question Pugh on what would be released - vote - even though that is based upon private/secret information.

Pugh - cited Abeler -

Dauids - speak against

Rhodes - recalled Abeler case - we were like a jury in deliberation (sequestered)

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David's — Re: Rhodes. Recalled different process.

Murphy — I can't recall gaining any knowledge in executive session

David's — I recall getting information

Chair → read 6.10 "to determine"

Pugh — cited some examples of when a respondent might bring in more data as a basis for

Chair — cited 6.10 and meaning of word "except"

Pugh — recalled rule 6.10 and intent

David's — question on jury deliberations — when decision is made, is jury vote public?

Pugh — responded.

Rhodes → Pugh — does jury decision have to be unanimous?  
criminal — yes — civil not required

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Rhodes - possibly committee could come back and have a roll call.

> BT - clarified Abeler procedure

→ continue to ask/clarify w/ Pugh

Pugh - case when probable cause had been found.

Vote: tie vote fail  
DM 47

Vote: DM 46 adopted

— Code of Conduct —

Deb McKnight —

Pugh — how long? 2 terms

Murphy — re: 9.01 — staff  
(officers, employees) as well as  
Representatives

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Chair —

→ Davids — Motion to adopt as drafted —

Murphy — question — could committee change code of conduct during course of a complaint?

Deb McKnight —

① not sure what status of code is now

② if not applicable — what is impact w/ a current complaint

Davids — need to renew approval or do we.

← withdraw Motion —

> Murphy —

resh — add at line 10 —

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Daids — have chair and vice chair  
work some language

Push — language on line 16 might  
be a problem

— Chair → BT

put on next agenda — don't  
recommend

Laid over