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Regular Meeting

ORANGE COUNTY CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND ETHICS COMMISSION

Monday, January 26, 2026, 1:30 P.M.

Conference Room
1300 S. Grand Avenue, Building B, 2nd Floor
Santa Ana, California 92705

Dr. Reza Karkia

Chairman
First District

Judson Brown

Vice Chair
Second District

William Halle

Commissioner
Third District

Judge Franz Miller (Ret.)

Commissioner
Fourth District

James Lawson

Commissioner
Fifth District

Denah Hoard
Executive Director

James Steinmann
County Counsel

Jasmine Mo
Recording Secretary

Meeting called to order at 1:30 P.M.

A. ROLL CALL

Present – Chairman R. Karkia, Vice Chair J. Brown, Commissioner F. Miller, Commissioner W. Halle
Present – Staff: D. Hoard, J. Steinmann, J. Mo
Absent – Commissioner J. Lawson

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

C. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Approval of Minutes from meeting held on October 27, 2025
Motion: Commissioner Miller
Second: Commissioner Halle
Abstain: Chairman Karkia
Ayes: Unanimous

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D. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

2. Receive and discuss Executive Director report regarding Code of Ethics enforcement.
Vice Chair Brown provided a memo with recommendations to enhance the Code of Ethics to the Executive Director and Commissioners.

3. Review and approve transmittal of 2025 Fourth Quarter Report to the Board of Supervisors
Motion: Vice Chair Brown
Second: Commissioner Halle
Ayes: Unanimous

4. Review and approve 2025 Annual Report with updated information.
Motion: Commissioner Halle
Second: Vice Chair Brown
Ayes: Unanimous

5. Election of a Commission Chairperson and Vice-Chair
Motion by Commissioner Miller for the slate of Chair Judson Brown and Vice Chair William Halle
Second: Chairman Karkia
Ayes: Unanimous

E. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS or PRESENTATIONS:

6. Executive Director Updates/Comments: Form 700; budget update; increasing lobbyist fees

F. COMMISSION COMMENTS and NEW BUSINESS:

None

G. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 1:58 P.M.