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Regular Meeting

ORANGE COUNTY CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND ETHICS COMMISSION

Monday, April 27, 2026, 1:30 P.M.

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

Judson Brown

Chairman
Second District

William Halle

Vice Chair
Third District

Dr. Reza Karkia

Commissioner
First 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 J. Brown, Commissioner R. Karkia, Commissioner F. Miller

Present – Staff: D. Hoard, J. Steinmann, J. Mo

Absent – Commissioner W. Halle

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Shirley Grindle – Presented an article from the Voice of OC regarding the Commission to the Commissioners.

Bryan Kaye – Complaint regarding campaign contributions to Vice Chair Katrina Foley.

C. CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. Approval of Minutes from meeting held on January 26, 2026

Motion: Commissioner Miller

Second: Commissioner Karkia

Abstain: Commissioner Lawson

Ayes: Chairman Brown, Commissioner Miller and Commissioner Karkia

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D. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

2. Review and approve transmittal of 2026 First Quarter Report to the Board of Supervisors
Motion: Commissioner Karkia
Second: Commissioner Lawson
Ayes: Unanimous
3. Review and approve transmittal of 2026 Campaign Finance Manual to the Board of Supervisors
Motion by Chairman Brown to make changes to the first paragraph under the Contribution Prohibition section on page 6.
Second: Commissioner Lawson
Ayes: Unanimous

E. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS or PRESENTATIONS:

4. Executive Director presentation of the March 2026 Forensic Audit by Weaver (Phase One) pursuant to Directive from Vice Chair Foley; upcoming audit of County Ethics Programs; update on the Brown Act.

F. COMMISSION COMMENTS and NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Karkia: Compliments to the Executive Director

Chairman Brown: Inquired about the action the Executive Director will take regarding Bryan Kaye's complaint

G. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 2:12 P.M.