

**RULES AND RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE  
AND ETHICS BOARD**

January 17, 2019

The Rules and Resolutions Committee and Ethics Board met on Thursday, January 17, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. in the County Board Room, located on the third floor of the Courthouse, 181 West Seminary Street, Richland Center, Wisconsin.

Committee members present included: David Turk, Don Seep, Chad Cosgrove, Ed Pulvermacher and Jayme Walsh.

Others present included: Victor Vlasak, County Clerk; Ben Southwick, Corporation Counsel; Jeanetta Kirkpatrick; and Barb and Jason Marshall, Management Information Systems Department.

Committee Chair Turk called the meeting to order.

The Clerk verified that the meeting was properly noticed. Copies of the agenda were emailed to all Rules and Resolutions Committee members; a copy was posted on the Courthouse Bulletin Board and County web site; a copy was faxed to The Richland Observer; and copies were emailed to Fruit Broadcasting, LLC and County Department Heads.

Motion by Cosgrove, second by Walsh that the agenda be approved. Motion carried.

Motion by Walsh, second by Pulvermacher that the printed copies of the November 30, 2018 meeting be approved. Motion carried.

Kirkpatrick questioned the video taping of the Committee on Committees meeting that took place on January 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Notice of the meeting was placed at the bottom of the January 15<sup>th</sup> County Board agenda referencing the County Board agenda item regarding the appointments to the Administration Study Committee. Corporation Counsel Southwick noted that the contract between the City and Nova Video only covers county board meetings. Chair Turk will contact Ben Koelsch.

Amending the name of the U.W.-Richland Committee was discussed. Motion by Seep, second by Walsh to present a resolution for approval to change the name of the Committee to U.W.-Platteville-Richland Committee. Motion carried.

The Committee began a review of the Rules of the Board.

Rule 1 of the Rules of the Board designates the hour that the session of the Board shall start. Currently the hour is set as 7:00 p.m. Motion by Seep, second by Cosgrove to amend Rule 1 of the Rules of the Board to change the hour of the start time of the session to 6:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Rule 18 regarding regular sessions of the County Board will be combined with Rule 1.

Rules 2, 3, 4 and 5 were reviewed. Questions were raised regarding language in Rule 5 which states “In committee of the whole, he or she shall call some member to the Chair to preside during the session of the committee”. Corporation Counsel Southwick will research the language to determine its intent.

The Committee discussed the election of the Committee on Committees, Highway Committee and Pine Valley Trustees Board and the application of term limits to those positions. Temporary absences language was discussed.

Cosgrove left the meeting at this point in the meeting.

Discussion continued on applying term limits to elected committees. The spending authority of the Highway Committee was discussed. Rule 19 defines what expenditures that the Highway Committee must bring to the County Board for approval.

Corporation Counsel Southwick will bring back the suggested edits to the Rules.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.

Motion by Walsh, second by Pulvermacher to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

Victor V. Vlasak  
Richland County Clerk