



CHILD PROTECTION OMBUDSMAN of COLORADO

COLORADO CHILD PROTECTION OMBUDSMAN BOARD

PUBLIC MEETING

November 9, 2023

Record of Proceedings

Notice of this meeting was provided pursuant to the Colorado Open Meetings Law, § 24-6-402, C.R.S.

CONVENE

The meeting of the Child Protection Ombudsman Board was convened via Zoom teleconference at 8:04 a.m. by Chair Benjamin Rounsborg.

A quorum of the Board was present.

INTRODUCTIONS

PRESENT AT THE MEETING

Board Members

Benjamin Rounsborg, Board Chair
Judith Martinez, Board Vice-Chair
Brian Bernhard
Dr. Coral Steffey
Hannah Seigel Proff
Connie Vigil
Aaron Miltenberger
Judge Ann Meinster
Wendy Buxton-Andrade

Others Present

Janna Fischer, Senior Assistant Attorney General
Stephanie Villafuerte, Ombudsman
Jordan Steffen, Deputy Ombudsman
Karen Nielsen, Director of Administrative Services

PRESENT FROM THE PUBLIC

None

INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Rounsborg and Ombudsman Stephanie Villafuerte facilitated the meeting via Zoom. Each participant introduced themselves.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 28, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Chair Rounsborg entertained a motion to approve the final minutes of the meeting held on September 28, 2023. Hannah Seigel Proff made a motion to approve the final minutes of the September 28, 2023, meeting. Aaron Miltenberger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:07 a.m. Chair Rounsborg called for a motion to enter executive session for the purposes of the CPO Board to receive its annual Open Meetings Law training from Senior Assistant Attorney General Janna Fischer.

Wendy Buxton-Andrade made a motion to enter executive session for the purposes described above. Vice-Chair Judith Martinez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session was held for the Board to receive legal advice pursuant
to
§24-6-402(3)(a)(II), C.R.S.
The Executive Session was recorded in compliance with
§24-6-402(2)(d.S)(I)(A), C.R.S

Ombudsman Villafuerte, Deputy Ombudsman Jordan Steffen and Senior AAG Fischer attended the executive session in whole.

Judge Ann Meinster left the meeting at 8:09 a.m.

At 8:35 a.m. Chair Rounsborg returned the meeting to open session.

CLOSING REMARKS

Ombudsman Villafuerte expressed her gratitude to all board members and CPO agency staff for the great turn out in Alamosa, CO, and extended special thanks to Mr. Miltenberger for being an outstanding host. She extended warm wishes to everyone for a joyous holiday season.

Chair Rounsborg expressed a preference for future meetings to be conducted in a hybrid format, allowing both in person and remote participation.


ADJOURN

Chair Rounsborg entertained a motion to adjourn. Ms. Seigel Proff made a motion to adjourn. Vice-Chair Martinez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board formally adjourned the meeting at 8:39 a.m.

ATTESTATION

As Board Chair and Board Vice-Chair, I attest that these minutes of the open public meeting held on November 9, 2023, of the Colorado Child Protection Ombudsman Board substantially reflect the substance of the discussion and action taken related to the matters under the authority of the Board and in compliance with the Open Meetings Law, § 24-6-402, C. R.S.



Board Chair

1/11/2024

Date



Board Vice-Chair

_1/17/2024

Date

