

Town of Brookfield
Board of Ethics
Minutes of January 29, 2013

Meeting called to order at 12:05pm.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve Minutes of February 28, 2012 made by Dr. Sullivan; 2nd: Dr. Carolan.
Approved unanimously. Mrs. Park abstained, as she was not on the Ethics Board then.

Correspondence:

An informal inquiry was made if special food given as a gift to a particular Commission was a violation of ethics. Dr. Carolan will send a reminder to all Boards and Commissions of the limits on acceptance of gifts.

Election of Officers: The slate offered for a vote: Dr. Carolan, chair; Mrs. Park, Vice Chair, Dr. Sullivan, Secretary. Motion to accept 2013 slate of officers made by Dr. Sullivan; 2nd: Mrs. Park. Approved unanimously.

Executive session: None

Requests for opinions:

1. Opinion 2012-3: March 15, 2012: Robert Belden, for the Brookfield Republican Town Committee, asked if an ethics issue would arise if several members of the Zoning Board and the Zoning Enforcement Officers were also members of the Conservation Commission. Ethics Board members determined this would pose no inherent conflict

2. Opinion 2012-04: August 30, 2012: First Selectman William Davidson asked whether a conflict of interest would arise under the following circumstances: Alice Dew is Chair of the Conservation Commission and her husband would like to be appointed to that Commission. Ethics Board members determined that there would be no inherent conflict in this instance, but there might be instances where a conflict could occur with other commissions/committees.

3. Dr. Carolan was copied on correspondence concerning whether a town position was filled ethically. She will contact Mrs. Greenwood in Human Resources concerning the process and will report her findings to the committee.

Other Business: None

Public Comment: None

Motion to adjourn made at 12:20 by Dr. Sullivan; 2nd: Mrs. Park. Approved unanimously.

Minutes submitted by Dr. James Sullivan, Corresponding Secretary
January 29, 2013

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