

\*House Committee\*

## COMMITTEE MINUTES for ETHICS

Date: ***February 25, 2026***

Location: ***RM 102***

Convened: ***9:05 AM***

Adjourned: ***9:10 AM***

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Representatives Gustoff-CH, Johnson, C.-VC, Gaines-RM, Gjerde, Kurth, Stone

Absent:

Excused:

Chair Gustoff called the House Ethics Committee meeting to order at 9:04AM. Roll call was taken with all members present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Chair Gustoff called up for consideration the complaint filed by Cameron Stotz on February 6, 2026, and opened the meeting to comments on the complaint by members of the committee. Representative Gaines stated that she saw no violation in the complaint, and she was in favor of dismissing the complaint.

Chair Gustoff cited and read rule 4 of the Iowa Code of Ethics pertaining to conflicts of interest by members of the Iowa House of Representatives, and also cited House Rule 76. Chair Gustoff concurred with Representative Gaines in stating that he saw no violation.

Representative Johnson made a motion for dismissal, which was seconded by Representative Stone. The motion put before the committee was the following:

Having reviewed the written complaint filed by Cameron Stoltz against Representatives Josh Meggers and Zach Dieken, and the written responses of Representatives Meggers and Dieken, the ethics committee finds that the complaint does not present a conflict of interest under Rule 4 of the Code of Ethics as contained in [HR 4](#) or under House Rule 76. Therefore, the complaint is hereby dismissed with prejudice.

Chair Gustoff called for a roll call vote. With a vote of six (6) yeas and (0) nays, the motion to dismiss with prejudice was passed.

With no further business to come before the committee, Representative Gjerde motioned for adjournment and Chair Gustoff thanked the committee members for their service.

Chair Gustoff adjourned the meeting at 9:08AM.

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Representative Bill Gustoff

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Patti Evans, Committee Secretary