

House Committee

COMMITTEE MINUTES for ETHICS

Date: ***March 17, 2026***

Location: ***RM 102***

Convened: ***9:10 AM***

Adjourned: ***9:15 AM***

Attendance Roll Call:

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

Absent:

Excused:

Chair Gustoff called the House Ethics Committee Meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. 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 Representative Scholten on February 19th, 2026, and opened the meeting to comments on the complaint by members of the committee. Representative Gjerde read from Rule 2 of the joint rules governing lobbyists of the Senate and House of Representatives cited in the complaint.

Representative Johnson motioned to dismiss the complaint with prejudice. Representative Wilburn seconded the motion. Chair Gustoff called for a vote. With a vote of six (6) ayes and (0) nays, the motion to dismiss was passed.

Under other business, Representative Wilburn commented that all parties should make best efforts to comply with the rules, and again noted that the rules should be reviewed for update in the future.

With no further business to come before the committee, Representative Kurth motioned for adjournment and Chair Gustoff adjourned the meeting at 9:13 A.M.

Representative Bill Gustoff

Patti Evans, Committee Secretary