

Describe the screen established by your ethics officer: *(Attach additional pages as needed.)*

Tim Schultz, the Board's Ethics Officer, has established the following screen.

In the event that any matter involving Hoosier Academy is scheduled for discussion, a hearing, or a vote before the Board, the following procedures will be followed:

1. The matter will be immediately referred to Tim Schultz and John Snethen; and
2. Tim Schultz will determine the extent to which a conflict, if any, exists.

If a potential conflict does exist:

1. Dr. Ernest will recuse himself from all Board discussions, hearings, and votes related to the matter giving rise to the conflict;
2. The Board and its staff will be notified of Dr. Ernest's recusal; and
3. Dr. Ernest will be advised that he is to refrain from discussing the matter with the Board or its staff.

AFFIRMATION

Your signature below affirms that your disclosures on this form are true, complete, and correct to the best of your knowledge and belief. In addition to this form, you have attached a copy of your written disclosure to your agency appointing authority and ethics officer.

Signature of state officer, employee or special state appointee

Date signed (month, day, year)

5/11/17

Printed full name of state officer, employee or special state appointee

Dr. Byron Ernest

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Your signature below affirms that you have reviewed this disclosure form and that it is true, complete, and correct to the best of your knowledge and belief. You also attest that your agency has implemented the screen described above.

Signature of ethics officer

Date signed (month, day, year)

5/11/17

Printed full name of ethics officer

Tim Schultz

May 11, 2017

John Snethen:

Pursuant to IC 4-2-6-9(b), which requires I notify you and Tim of any potential conflicts of interest, this letter is intended to supplement my prior notice. My prior notice of a potential conflict of interest was provided before the events described herein.

As you are aware, in addition to serving as a Member of the State Board of Education (the "Board"), I serve as the Head of Schools for Hoosier Academy. On May 10th, the Board scheduled a hearing – "Ball State Authorizer Hearing Regarding Hoosier Academy Virtual Charter School" – after which a vote for action was taken.

While the hearing was focused on Ball State University as the authorizer of Hoosier Academy's charter, the Board's discussion and ultimate action or inaction are likely to have a material impact on Hoosier Academy. To ensure any potential conflicts of interest are avoided, I will continue recusing myself from all Board discussions and votes related to Hoosier Academy.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Byron Ernest", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dr. Byron Ernest

cc: Tim Schultz

Croft, Celeste

From: Schultz, Timothy A
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 5:06 PM
To: IG Info
Subject: Conflict of Interest – Decisions and Voting - Email Scanned Copies
Attachments: Ethics Disclosure Statement and Notification.pdf

Good afternoon:

Pursuant to IC 4-2-6-9, please find attached the Ethics Disclosure Statement (Conflicts of Interest—Decisions and Voting) as well as the written notification to the appointing authority for an event that occurred yesterday, May 10, 2017. If you need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Have a great day.

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