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MINUTES – Regular Meeting
9:30 a.m. | August 27. 2026
711 Capitol Way S. #206
Olympia, Washington

Commission Members Present (Participated via Microsoft Teams)
J. Leach, Chair; Douglass North, Vice Chair; Matthew Segal, Member, Teebah Alsaleh, Member, and Lisa Kremer, Member

Staff Present (Participated via Microsoft Teams)
Peter Frey Lavallee, Executive Director; Kim Bradford, Deputy Director; Sean Flynn, General Counsel; James Gutholm, Chief Information Officer; Nate Meyer, Customer Service and Outreach Manager; Erick Agina, Compliance Officer; Carolyn Jones, Compliance Coordinator; Jordan Campbell; Compliance Coordinator; Ashley Joslyn, Compliance Coordinator; BG Sandahl, Compliance Officer; Natalie Johnson, Communications Specialist; John Meader, Assistant Attorney General, representing the Commission; Amanda Migchelbrink, Assistant Attorney General, representing the Commission; Susie Giles-Klein, Assistant Attorney General, representing PDC Staff.

Staff Present (Commission Meeting Room)
Jana Greer, Administrative Officer

Chair Opening Comments PDC Meeting Video
Chair Leach welcomed all attendees and viewers to the August 27, 2026, Regular Commission meeting. He introduced and welcomed newly appointed Commissioner Lisa Kremer.

Consideration and Possible Approval of Meeting Minutes PDC Meeting Video
Minutes for the July 23, 2026, meeting were presented to the Commission for consideration and possible approval.

MOTION 26-045 Moved by Commissioner North and seconded by Commissioner Alsaleh that the Commission approve the meeting minutes for the July 23, 2026, regular meeting as submitted.

The motion passed 4 – 0. Leach, North, Segal, and Alsaleh approved. Kremer recused, having not participated in the July meeting.

Enforcement: Reconsideration of the Initial Order | PDC Meeting Video
Compliance Coordinator Jordan Campbell presented to the Commission for reconsideration: PDC Meeting Video

PDC case 191224 Marie Gormsen: At the June 24, 2026, Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (BAP Hearing), the Respondent was found in violation of RCW 29B.25.020 for failure to timely file a C-1 report within 2 weeks of becoming a candidate or no later than May 22, 2026. The Respondent was assessed a penalty of $500, with $150 suspended, which they now ask the Commission to reconsider.

Marie Gormsen participated via Microsoft Teams.

MOTION 26-046 Moved by Commissioner North and seconded by Commissioner Kremer that the commission Grant reconsideration of the initial order.

The motion passed 4 – 0. Leach, North, Alsaleh, Kremer approved. Segal abstained.

MOTION 26-047 Moved by Commissioner North and seconded by Commissioner Kremer that the Commission amend the initial order and assess a civil penalty of $500 with $500 suspended contingent on compliance of the laws and no further violations for four years.

The motion passed 5 – 0.

Compliance Coordinator Carolyn Jones presented to the Commission for reconsideration: PDC Meeting VideoPDC case 191237 Ann E. Jolie: At the June 24, 2026, Brief Adjudicative Proceeding (BAP Hearing), the Respondent was found in violation of RCW 29B.55.010 for failure to timely file a F-1 report within 2 weeks of becoming a candidate or no later than May 22, 2026. The Respondent was assessed a penalty of $1,000, with $500 suspended, which they now ask the Commission to reconsider.

Ann E. Jolie participated via Microsoft Teams.

MOTION 26-048 Moved by Commissioner North and seconded by Commissioner Kremer that the commission grant reconsideration of the initial order.

The motion passed 5 – 0.

MOTION 26-049 Moved by Commissioner North and seconded by Commissioner Segal that the Commission amend the initial order and assess a civil penalty of $1,000 with $1,000 suspended contingent on filing the outstanding F-1 report within 30 days from the date of the Final Order and no further violations for four years.

The motion passed 5 – 0.

Budget | PDC Meeting Video
Executive Director Peter Frey Lavallee provided the budget update to the Commission.

Enforcement: Candidate and Elected Officials | PDC Meeting Video
Compliance Coordinator Ashley Joslyn presented to the Commission: PDC Meeting Video

PDC case 194335 LaWonda Smith-Marshall: Alleged violation of RCW 29B.55.010 for failure to file the annual Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report).

LaWonda Smith-Marshall was not present.

MOTION 26-050 Moved by Commissioner Segal and seconded by Commissioner Kremer that the Commission assess a civil penalty of $2,000 with $1,000 suspended contingent on

the non-suspended portion of the penalty paid, missing reports are filed within 30 days of the Final Order, and no further violations for four years.

The motion passed 5 – 0.

Compliance Coordinator Ashley Joslyn presented to the Commission: PDC Meeting Video

PDC case 194336 Ben Callies: Alleged violation of RCW 29B.55.010 for failure to file the annual Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report).

Ben Callies was not present.

MOTION 26-051 Moved by Commissioner Segal and seconded by Commissioner Alsaleh that the Commission assess a civil penalty of $5,000 with $2,500 suspended contingent on the non-suspended portion of the penalty paid, missing reports are filed, payment of past due amounts plus applicable fees and interest of outstanding penalties within 30 days of the Final Order, and no further violations for four years.

The motion passed 5 – 0.

Compliance Coordinator Jordan Cambell presented to the Commission: PDC Meeting Video

PDC case 194337 Christal Olivia Irwin: Alleged violations of RCW 29B.25.020 and .55.010 for failure to file a Campaign Finance Registration (C-1 report) & failure to file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (F-1 report) within two weeks of becoming a candidate.

Christal Olivia Irwin was not present.

MOTION 26-052 Moved by Commissioner North and seconded by Commissioner Segal that the Commission assess a civil penalty of $3,000 per violation for a total of $6,000 with $1,500 of each violation suspended totaling $3,000, contingent on the non-suspended portion of the penalty paid, missing reports are filed, payment of past due amounts plus applicable fees and interest of outstanding penalties within 30 days of the Final Order, and no further violations for four years.

The motion passed 4 – 0. Leach, North, Segal, and Alsaleh. Commissioner Kremer recused herself.

Public Comment | PDC Meeting Video

- Kunzler
- Schurman

Written comment submitted

- Lobe
- Kunzler
- Schurman

Public Hearing on Proposed Rules re Complaint Publication | PDC Meeting Video
General Counsel Flynn presented for consideration and possible adoption, proposed rule (WSR 26-14-020) updating the complaint publication process under the Fair Campaign Practices Code, Ch. 390-32 WAC.

Public Comment
- Kunzler
- Blevins (Written submission)

MOTION 26-053 Moved by Commissioner Kremer and seconded by Commissioner Segal that the Commission adopt the rule as proposed with an effective date of after the 2026 general election.

The motion passed 5 – 0.

APA Rulemaking Petition (Kunzler) re Sponsor Identification on Online Advertising | PDC Meeting Video

General Counsel Sean Flynn presented for Commission consideration and possible adoption of the APA petition to amend WAC 390-18-010 regarding the placement of sponsor ID on certain online advertising.

- Staff Memo
- Joe Kunzler participated.

MOTION 26-054 Moved by Commissioner Kremer and seconded by Commissioner Segal that the Commission deny the APA Rulemaking Petition.

The motion passed 5 – 0.

Chair Leach asked staff to further study if it is desirable for the PDC to amend the rules and/or propose a policy interpretation.

Legislative Planning | PDC Meeting Video
Deputy Director Bradford and General Counsel Flynn discussed possible policy issues to pursue for the upcoming Legislative session.

2026 Agency Request Legislation

Management Team Updates
- Executive Director Update. PDC Meeting Video
- Deputy Director Update. PDC Meeting Video
- Chief Information Officer Update. PDC Meeting Video
- Customer Service and Filer Assistance Update. PDC Meeting Video

Enforcement Update | PDC Meeting Video
Kim Bradford, Deputy Director showcased how to easily access the monthly enforcement reports | https://www.pdc.wa.gov/rules-enforcement/enforcement

Note: scroll down on the page, the monthly reports are linked under the charts.

Erick Agina, Compliance Officer, due to technical difficulties was unable to present the enforcement update for August 2026. Deputy Director Bradford told the Commission staff would email the report synopsis.

Executive Session | PDC Meeting Video

The commission did not hold Executive Session.

Chair Leach adjourned the regular meeting at 11:56 a.m.

Approved September 24, 2026.