

Minutes
PUBLIC MEETING
JUDICIAL ADVISORY BOARD
May 15, 2024

Minutes of the Judicial Advisory Board public meeting held on May 15, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. in the Jury Training Room, 3rd Floor, Tempe Municipal Court, 140 E. 5th Street, Tempe Arizona 85281.

Board Members Present:

Amanda Chua
Judge Kevin Kane, Ex-officio Member
Judge Amy Kalman
Judy Aldrich, Chair
Martha Ashburn, Vice-Chair

City Staff Present:

Casey Simmons, Court Management Assistant
Alisha Major, Court Executive Assistant
Alexis Allen, Court Administrator
Jennifer Curtiss, Deputy Court Administrator
Marcos Romero, Court Sr. Management Assistant

Public Meeting

The public meeting was called to order at **3:30 p.m.** by Chair Aldrich.

Agenda Item 1 – Consideration of Meeting Minutes: January 31, 2024

Chair Aldrich asked for any corrections to the minutes as presented. Board Member Ashburn stated the motion made to nominate Judy Aldrich to Chair was made by her and that Board Member Mandell was second. Chair Aldrich asked for a motion to approve minutes as amended. **Motion** made by Board Member Chua to approve minutes as amended; second by Vice-Chair Ashburn. Motion passed on a **3-0** vote. Board Member Kalman abstained from the voting process for this agenda item due to not being a Board Member at the time of the January 31, 2024 public meeting.

Ayes: Board Members Aldrich, Ashburn, Chua

Non-Voting: Board Member Kane

Abstain: Board Member Kalman

Absent: None

Agenda Item 2 – Call to the Public on the Reappointment of Presiding Judge Kevin Kane

Board Member Kane excused himself from the room to allow Board Members to freely discuss his Reappointment Packet. Board Members discussed the reappointment packet for Board Member Kane. Board Member Kalman disclosed that she and Judge Kane were previously both members of Horace Rumpole Inn of Court but had little interaction with him, and that he left the organization a few years ago. All Board Members agreed they felt comfortable with Board Member

Kalman participating in the reappointment process. Board Member Kane returned to the room when discussion was concluded. Judge Kane answered questions from the Board Members and expanded on items mentioned in the packet.

3:55 p.m. – Public comment from Ms. Alexis Allen

Agenda Item 3 – Recommendation of the Judicial Advisory Board to the Tempe City Council Regarding the Reappointment of Presiding Judge Kevin Kane

Motion made by Board Member Ashburn to recommend the reappointment of Judge Kane; second by Board Member Kalman. Motion passed on a **4-0** vote.

Ayes: Board Members Aldrich, Ashburn, Chua, Kalman

Non-Voting: Board Member Kane

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Agenda Item 4 – Adjournment

Motion made by Board Member Chua to adjourn meeting; second by Board Member Kalman. Motion passed on a **4-0** vote.

Ayes: Board Members Aldrich, Ashburn, Chua, Kalman

Non-Voting: Board Member Kane

Abstain: None

Absent: None

The public meeting adjourned at **3:59 p.m.**

Minutes prepared by: Casey Simmons

Minutes reviewed by: Judy Aldrich, Chair



Judy Aldrich

Chair, Judicial Advisory Board

Tempe Municipal Court