

Meyers, Robert (COE)

JNQ 10-57

From: LaPradd, Charles (CSD)
Sent: Tuesday, March 16, 2010 3:24 PM
To: Meyers, Robert (COE)
Subject: Re: Need an opinion

Thanks. They are not a vendor that I am aware of but I will check, as they have a division that sells insurance. Also I believe the executive director of the local farm bureau office is a registered lobbyist with the county (Katie Edwards). Would that affect anything?

Thanks.
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----- Original Message -----
From: Meyers, Robert (COE)
To: LaPradd, Charles (CSD)
Sent: Tue Mar 16 15:16:23 2010
Subject: RE: Need an opinion

Charles:

Is the Florida Farm Bureau a County contractor, vendor or service provider? If the Farm Bureau falls within one of these categories, it could not cover a portion of your travel or travel-related expenses. If the Farm Bureau falls outside these categories, then there would be no violation of the County's ethics ordinance, but you should report the share that the Farm Bureau covers as a gift since it exceeds the \$100 limit.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Thanks,

Robert

-----Original Message-----
From: LaPradd, Charles (CSD)
Sent: Friday, March 12, 2010 1:39 PM
To: Meyers, Robert (COE)
Subject: Need an opinion

Robert,

Hope all is well. I have a question that I need an opinion on. The Dade County Farm Bureau as part of the Florida Farm Bureau (nonprofit farming organizations) has asked me to attend their annual "Field to the Hill" trip to Washington DC where we would be meeting with several members of Congress to discuss agricultural issues. They provide a cost share for the trip which will cover the cost of the hotel room (value is \$500.00). All other costs associated with the trip would be paid by county. Your thoughts please.

Thanks,

Charles LaPradd
Agricultural Manager
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