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Meeting of the Legal & Personnel Subcommittee of the State Employees Retirement Commission

DATE: January 12, 2022

PRESENT:

Chairman Peter Adomeit
Trustee Robert Coffey
Trustee Michael O'Brien
Trustee, Sal Luciano
Commission Counsel Michael Rose (Rose Kallor, LLP)
Attorney Melinda Powell (Rose Kallor, LLP)
Paralegal, Vicky Pilon (Rose Kallor, LLP)
Commission Tax Counsel Bruce Barth (Robinson & Cole LLP)
Commission Tax Counsel Alisha Sullivan (Robinson & Cole LLP)
John Herrington, Retirement Services Division Director

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m. Those present were identified by Chairman Adomeit.

At 8:35 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Coffey to approve the agenda. All voted in favor.

Executive Session – discussion and possible recommendation

1. Ronald Johnson v. SERC – pending claim/pending litigation- send letter to CHRO.
2. Paul Cicarella appeal – written legal opinion – remand back to MEB; letter sent 12/20/21.
3. Catherine Crandle v. SERC – pending litigation.
4. Jaishree Duggal – Request for Reconsideration – written legal opinion – denied.
5. Cora Hayes – Petition for Declaratory Ruling – written legal opinion – send standard letter.
6. Todd Krasinsky – Request for Declaratory Ruling – written legal opinion.
7. Douglas Latham – Request for Declaratory Ruling – written legal opinion.
8. William Kenney – Appeal – written legal opinion.
9. FOI appeal by Attorney Russell Zimmerlin – pending claim/pending litigation.

At 8:36 a.m., Mr. Coffey moved, seconded by Mr. O'Brien to suspend the regular meeting and go into executive session for the purposes of discussing Items 1-9. Bruce Barth, Alisha Sullivan, Michael Rose, Melinda Powell, and John Herrington were invited by the Subcommittee to stay for executive session. The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote. The Subcommittee voted unanimously in favor to enter executive session to discuss Items 1-9.

9:28 a.m. – A motion was made by Mr. Coffey to go out of executive session and seconded by Mr. Luciano. All voted in favor. No motions had been made nor action taken while in executive session.

9:30 a.m. Mr. Coffey moved to recommend that the Commission deny Mr. Krasinsky's request for declaratory ruling. Mr. Luciano seconded. All voted in favor.

At 9:30 a.m. a.m. Mr. Coffey moved to recommend to the Commission that it deny Mr. Latham's request for a declaratory ruling. Mr. Luciano seconded. All voted in favor.

At 9:31 a. m. Mr. Coffey moved to recommend to the Commission that Mr. Kenney's appeal be remanded back to MEB for reconsideration of the new information submitted including an email from the vendor regarding Mr. Kenney. Mr. Luciano seconded. All voted in favor.

At 9:32 a.m. Mr. Adomeit asked if there was any old business to discuss and there was none.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before the Subcommittee, at 9:31 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Coffey, to adjourn. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Coffey