

STATE EMPLOYEES
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MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD
for DISABILITY RETIREMENT



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STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT COMMISSION LEGAL AND PERSONNEL SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: May 11, 2022

PRESENT:

Chairman Peter Adomeit

Trustee Michael Carey

Trustee Robert Coffey

Trustee Sal Luciano

Trustee Michael O'Brien

Commission Counsel Michael Rose (Rose Kallor, LLP)

Commission Counsel Cindy Cieslak (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 8:33 a.m. Those present were identified by Attorney Cieslak.

At 8:34 a.m., Mr. O'Brien moved, seconded by Mr. Coffey to amend the agenda to include the request for Ms. Brown-Brewton's posthumous disability retirement application to be processed. All voted in favor.

At 8:36 a.m., Mr. Herrington presented the request concerning Ms. Brown-Brewton's posthumous disability retirement application. At 8:40 a.m., Mr. O'Brien moved, seconded by Mr. Carey, to recommend to the Commission that it approve the processing of the disability retirement application for Ms. Brown-Brewton, including the election of the 100% contingent annuitant option. All voted in favor.

Executive Session – discussion and possible recommendation

1. ARP Plan Amendment – written legal opinion.
2. CT House Bill 5172 – written legal opinion.
3. Ronald Johnson v. SERC – pending claim/pending litigation.
4. Douglas Latham Petition for Declaratory Ruling – written legal opinion.
5. Patrick Butler request for review pursuant to Regs., Conn. State Agencies § 5-155a-2(i) – written legal opinion.
6. FOI appeal by Attorney Russell Zimmerlin – pending claim/pending litigation.

At 8:41 a.m., Mr. O’Brien moved, seconded by Mr. Coffey to suspend the regular meeting and go into executive session for the purposes of discussing Items 1-6. Bruce Barth, Cindy Cieslak, John Herrington, Michael Rose, and Alisha Sullivan 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 1-6.

At 9:06 a.m., Mr. O’Brien, seconded by Mr. Coffey, to exit executive session The Chairman asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion he called for a vote. All voted in favor.

Public Session

At 9:06 a.m., Mr. Coffey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to recommend to the Commission that it approve the proposed ARP Plan Amendment. All voted in favor.

At 9:07 a.m., Mr. Coffey moved, seconded by Mr. O’Brien to recommend to the Commission that it deny the request from Patrick Butler. All voted in favor.

At 9:08 a.m. Mr. Adomeit asked if there was any old business to discuss. No old business was discussed.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before the Subcommittee, at 9:08 a.m., Mr. Coffey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano, to adjourn. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Coffey