

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: August 10, 2022

PRESENT:

Chairman Peter Adomeit

Trustee Michael Carey

Trustee Robert Coffey

Trustee Sal Luciano

Trustee Karen Nolen

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 Elizabeth Doyon (Robinson & Cole LLP)

John Herrington, Retirement Services Division Director

Yamuna Menon, General Counsel/Assistant State Comptroller, Office of the State Comptroller

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m. Those present were identified by Attorney Cieslak.

At 8:36 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Coffey to approve the agenda. All voted in favor.

Executive Session – discussion and possible recommendation

1. Judges, Family Magistrates and Compensation Commissioners Retirement System contributions – written legal opinion.
2. Judges, Family Magistrate and Compensation Commissioners Retirement System matters related to SERS – written legal opinion.
3. Ronald Johnson v. SERC – pending litigation.
4. Jacqueline Lawrence appeal – written legal opinion.
5. Linda Cicarella petition for declaratory ruling – written legal opinion.
6. FOI appeal by Attorney Russell Zimmerman – pending claim/pending litigation.

At 8:36 a.m., Mr. Coffey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano to suspend the regular meeting and go into executive session for the purposes of discussing Items 1-6. Bruce Barth, Cindy Cieslak, Elizabeth Doyon, John Herrington, Yamuna Menon, and Michael Rose 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.

Ms. Nolen remained for discussion of Item 1 and exited the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

At 10:01 a.m., Mr. Coffey moved, seconded by Mr. Luciano, to exit executive session. All voted in favor.

Public Session

At 10:01 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Coffey to recommend that the Commission deny Ms. Lawrence's appeal to the Commission. All voted in favor.

At 10:02 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Coffey to recommend to the Commission that it issue a declaratory ruling with the legal reasons denying Ms. Cicarella's request. All voted in favor.

No old business was discussed.

MEETING ADJOURNED: With no further business before the Subcommittee, 10:03 a.m., Mr. Luciano moved, seconded by Mr. Coffey, to adjourn. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Coffey