

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
STATE EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT COMMISSION

JUNE 15, 2023 MEETING
HELD VIA ZOOM
CONVENED AT 9:04 a.m.

Present:

Peter Adomeit, Chairman
Michael Bailey, Trustee
Michael Carey, Trustee
Carl Chisem, Trustee
John Disette, Trustee
Sal Luciano, Trustee
Karen Nolen, Trustee
Michael O'Brien, Trustee
Claude Poulin, Trustee
Timothy Ryor, Trustee
Sean Scanlon, Comptroller, Ex Officio Member
Mark Sciota, Municipal Liaison
Ted Wright, Chief Investment Officer, Office of the Treasurer, Ex Officio Member

Absent:

Karen Buffkin, Trustee
David Kraveski, Trustee
Angel Quiros, Trustee
Rebecca Simonsen, Trustee

Also Present:

Bruce Barth, Tax Counsel to the Commission, Robinson & Cole
Cindy Cieslak, General Counsel to the Commission, Rose Kallor
Robert Helfand, Assistant Director, Retirement Services Division
John Herrington, Director, Retirement Services Division
Yamuna Menon, General Counsel & Assistant Comptroller
Charlotte Moller, Retirement Services Division
Colin Newman, Retirement Services Division
Michael Rose, General Counsel to the Commission, Rose Kallor
Justin Raymond, The Dodd Law Firm (Attorney for Mr. Kilbride)
Sean Kilbride

TRANSCRIPTIONIST: Karin A. Empson

1 (Proceedings commenced at 9:04 a.m.)

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5 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay. This is the monthly
6 meeting of the Connecticut State Employees Retirement
7 Commission being held by Zoom technology.

8 Cindy, do you have the attendance, please?

9 MS. CIESLAK: Good morning, everyone. This
10 is Cindy Cieslak. Present this morning, we have
11 Chairman Peter Adomeit; Trustee Michael Bailey; Tax
12 Counsel from Robinson & Cole, Bruce Barth; Trustee
13 Michael Carey; General Counsel from Rose Kallor, Cindy
14 Cieslak; Trustee John DiSette; Assistant Director from
15 the Retirement Services Division, Robert Helfand;
16 Division Director from the Retirement Services
17 Division, John Herrington; Trustee Sal Luciano; General
18 Counsel and Assistant Comptroller Yam Menon; Retirement
19 Services Division Assistant Director Colin Newman;
20 Trustee Karen Nolen; Trustee Michael O'Brien; Actuarial
21 Trustee Claude Poulin; General Counsel from Rose
22 Kallor, Michael Rose; Actuarial Trustee Tim Ryor;
23 Municipal Liaison Mark Sciota; Chief Investment
24 Officer, Office of the Treasurer, Ex Officio Member of
25 the Commission, Ted Wright; Sean Scanlon, State

1 Comptroller, Ex Officio Member of the Retirement
2 Commission; and Charlotte Moller from the Retirement
3 Services Division.

4 Did I miss anyone?

5 MR. CHISEM: Carl Chisem.

6 MS. CIESLAK: Oh, good morning, Carl. Carl
7 Chisem, Trustee.

8 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay, thank you. I'm
9 going to defer to Sean Scanlon, the Comptroller. He
10 wanted to make a few words. Go ahead.

11 MR. SCANLON: Thank you, Peter. Good
12 morning, everybody. I apologize for being in the car,
13 and I doubly apologize that I am currently driving up
14 Route 8 in Litchfield County, and am unaware of at any
15 moment whether my service will stay intact enough for
16 me to talk to you all. But that's just how my schedule
17 worked out today. I apologize.

18 But listen, I will be brief and just say,
19 thank you for all that you do on behalf of the retirees
20 and the work that you do. I think everyone on this
21 call is probably aware by now that shortly after taking
22 office in January, I formed a working group of both
23 labor and management to try and reform our CMERS
24 pension system.

25 John Herrington had let me know a few weeks

1 after taking office that you were once again going to
2 have to send letters out to our municipal leaders
3 telling them that their contribution rates were once
4 again going up, and I think I surprised him and
5 Charlotte, who joined the call, when I told them that I
6 wanted to form a working group to try to address the
7 issue, not next year or the year after, but to do it
8 this legislative session.

9 And that was a bit ambitious, but I'm proud
10 to say that we, as again, I think everyone on this call
11 knows, were able to pass a bill this year that I do
12 believe will be to significant savings and will lead to
13 shoring up this pension fund, not just for those that
14 are in it today, but for those that are in it in the
15 future.

16 There were six main components of the
17 agreement that we came to on the table. Carl Chisem
18 was part of those six meetings that a couple of those
19 items were actually passed in the legislature last
20 week. Some of them are things that the retirement
21 commission needs to be involved in, and then some of
22 them are things that that working group will continue
23 to do going forward when we begin meeting once again in
24 a few weeks to look at hopefully creating another tier
25 or a version 2.0, again, just as a way to make sure of

1 the sustainability and permanent viability of this
2 plan.

3 So I can certainly go through the six points,
4 as can John and Charlotte. But I think most of you are
5 probably well versed enough with that that I think I
6 can skip that and just open it up, Mr. Chairman, if
7 that's okay with you, to see if anybody has any
8 questions or comments, both for me or for our office,
9 about this particular, you know, set of reforms.

10 The one thing I would just end on, Mr.
11 Chairman, and I think maybe the committee knows this,
12 but you and I spoke about this yesterday, we were not
13 able to bring some of those changes before you today,
14 but we do need them to be made soon. And so I think
15 that there will be a special meeting that needs to be
16 called, and I appreciate your willingness and the
17 commission's willingness to accommodate us on that so
18 that we can ensure that the municipalities can actually
19 start to see these savings sooner rather than later.

20 So with that, I'll stop and see if people
21 have questions or comments.

22 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay. Hearing none, Sean,
23 thank you for coming and thank you for talking to us.
24 We appreciate it.

25 MR. SCANLON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. And

1 thank you, everybody. And talk to you all soon.

2 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: I take it that Sarah (sic)
3 Downes is not here today. Am I correct? Okay.

4 Division Director's Report, John Herrington.

5 MR. HERRINGTON: Yes. So I've circulated the
6 report. As you can see, we continue to have
7 historically low numbers in terms of the retirement
8 activity, but that doesn't mean that we don't have work
9 to do. We are getting caught up on our enrollments in
10 the mandatory contributions piece. We are right now
11 fielding questions regarding the shortfall
12 contributions that will go in place starting next pay
13 period for Tier IV members, and we've established the
14 new shortfall contribution rates, but there probably
15 will be some additional work as we implement that new
16 change.

17 But I would say, with regards to the bulk of
18 the work over the past week, most of our activities
19 have been directed towards MERS and those MERS changes.
20 There's a lot of work ahead of us. We have prepared a
21 memo summarizing those changes, which I circulated last
22 night. We've also updated the recently revised SPD to
23 incorporate those MERS changes. So I would hope that
24 the commission can accept those changes and we can post
25 the SPD later this week.

1 And then beyond that, we need to work through
2 the creation of a drop plan. We have to build that
3 infrastructure that doesn't exist now, and we are going
4 to definitely need to engage in a pretty substantial
5 educational effort as we deal with individual MERS
6 retirees, and I'll walk them through the impacts of
7 these changes and help them plan accordingly.

8 So it certainly has been a busy month and
9 there's a lot of work ahead. But in terms of us
10 working through our existing backlogs, we've made a
11 great deal of progress and expect to be, you know,
12 essentially current with all of our work probably for
13 the first time since I've been here, and maybe the
14 first time, you know, in decades, by the end of the
15 summer.

16 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Thank you, John. Are
17 there any questions or comments? Okay, hearing none,
18 new matters. Mr. Bailey?

19 MR. BAILEY: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Good
20 morning, everyone. This is Michael Bailey. I move
21 approval of the State Employees Retirement Commission
22 minutes with director's report for May 2023.

23 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

24 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
25 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

1 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. It's unanimous; the
2 eyes have it.

3 MR. BAILEY: This is Michael Bailey. I move
4 approval of the Connecticut State Employees Retirement
5 System expenses for May 2023.

6 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

7 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
8 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

9 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: (Inaudible)

10 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay or raise your
11 hand. The eyes have it.

12 MR. BAILEY: This is Michael Bailey. I move
13 approval of the State Employees Retirement Commission
14 Chairman's per diem expenses for May of 2023.

15 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

16 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
17 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

18 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. It's unanimous; the
19 eyes have it.

20 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman, I move approval of
21 the State Employees Commission Union Trustee, Claude
22 Poulin's per diem and travel expenses for May of 2023
23 with Claude abstaining.

24 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
25 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

1 MR. LUCIANO: (Inaudible)

2 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Someone is talking, but I
3 can't hear them.

4 MR. BAILEY: (Inaudible) second.

5 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay or raise your
6 hand. It's unanimous; the ayes have it.

7 MR. BAILEY: I move approval of the State
8 Employees Retirement Commission Management Trustee,
9 Timothy Ryor's per diem expenses for May of 2023 with
10 Tim abstaining.

11 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

12 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
13 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

14 MR. RYOR: Abstain.

15 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay or raise your
16 hand. The ayes have it.

17 MS. CIESLAK: Mr. Chairman, there is a little
18 bit of lag. I just wanted to confirm that Mr. Luciano
19 seconded that motion for the record.

20 MR. LUCIANO: I did.

21 MS. CIESLAK: Thank you.

22 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay, thank you.

23 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman, I move Items 6 and
24 7, acceptance of the invoices from Robinson Cole and
25 from Rose Kallor through the executive session on May

1 2023.

2 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

3 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
4 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

5 MR. LUCIANO: Aye.

6 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay or raise your
7 hand. It's unanimous; the ayes have it.

8 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman, I move approval of
9 Items 8, 9, and 10 on the agenda, approval of the
10 Connecticut State Employees Retirement System service
11 retirements, voluntary pending retirements, and
12 disability for the month of May 2023.

13 MR. DISETTE: John DiSette, second.

14 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: DiSette, second.

15 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

16 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay. All in favor, say
17 aye or raise your hand. Opposed, nay or raise your
18 hand. It's unanimous; the ayes have it.

19 MR. LUCIANO: Aye.

20 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman, this is Michael
21 Bailey. I move approval of the Connecticut State
22 Employees Retirement System municipal employees'
23 retirements for the month of May 2023.

24 MR. CHISEM: Chisem, second.

25 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing

1 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

2 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. It's unanimous; the
3 ayes have it.

4 MR. BAILEY: I move approval of the
5 Connecticut State Employees Retirement System
6 retroactive retirements for May of 2023.

7 MR. LUCIANO: Luciano, second.

8 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
9 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.
10 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. It's unanimous; the
11 ayes have it.

12 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman, this is Michael
13 Bailey. I move Items 13 and 14 on the new matters
14 agenda, acceptance of the recommendations of the
15 Medical Examining Board for continued entitlement
16 approvals and for continued entitlements tabled and
17 denials for May 2023.

18 MR. DISETTE: John DiSette, second.

19 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

20 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
21 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.
22 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. It's unanimous; the
23 ayes have it.

24 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman, I move approval of
25 the Municipal Employees Retirement System disability

1 retirement tabled and denials from the Medical
2 Examining Board for May of 2023.

3 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

4 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
5 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.
6 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. Unanimous; the eyes
7 have it.

8 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman, I move approval of
9 the Retirement Services Division request to discontinue
10 the disability applications due to the one-year
11 deadline associated with the risk (sic) to ask for a
12 recommendation of the Medical Examining Board denial.

13 MR. CHISEM: Chisem, second.

14 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
15 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

16 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

17 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay or raise your
18 hand. The eyes have it.

19 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman, I move approval of
20 the Probate Judges and Employees Retirement Fund
21 personnel expenses for May of 2023.

22 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

23 MR. CHISEM: Chisem, second.

24 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
25 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

1 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. The ayes have it.

2 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman, I move approval of
3 the Connecticut Judges, Family Support Magistrates, and
4 Compensation Commissioners Retirement System for May of
5 2023.

6 MR. CHISEM: Chisem, second.

7 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
8 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

9 MR. LUCIANO: Aye.

10 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay or raise your
11 hand. It's unanimous; the ayes have it.

12 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman, I move approval of
13 the Connecticut Probate Judges and Employees Retirement
14 System retirements.

15 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

16 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
17 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

18 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. The ayes have it.

19 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman, I move approval
20 for the request received from Sean Kilbride that the
21 commission consider whether tolling of his time limit
22 is appropriate as it related to him making application
23 for a non-service-connected disability retirement.

24 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Yeah, Mr. Kilbride should
25 be here with his attorney. Is Mr. Kilbride here or is

1 his attorney here?

2 MS. CIESLAK: Mr. Chairman, this is Cindy
3 Cieslak. I don't see him here. What I will note
4 though is the notice for his appearance said 9:30.

5 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Oh.

6 MS. CIESLAK: So perhaps you can discuss Item
7 21 and maybe we get through some of the executive
8 session.

9 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Yeah. Okay. Let's skip
10 on then to Item Number 21.

11 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman, this is Michael
12 Bailey. I move that the commission accept the
13 recommendation of the Investment Subcommittee made on
14 June 5th, 2023. That recommendation is attached to the
15 documents distributed for today's meeting.

16 MR. CHISEM: Chisem, second.

17 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
18 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

19 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. The ayes have it.

20 Well, we have twenty - go ahead.

21 MR. BAILEY: Mr. Chairman-

22 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: We have 20 minutes before
23 Attorney Raymond appears. So let's go into executive
24 session.

25 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

1 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Motion to go in, Mr.
2 Bailey? Yeah. All in favor, say aye or raise your
3 hand. Opposed, nay or raise your hand. The ayes have
4 it.

5 MS. CIESLAK: Mr. Chairman, this is Cindy
6 Cieslak. Can Mr. Bailey and Mr. Luciano confirm that
7 the motion includes an invitation to the following
8 individuals to attend executive session: Bruce Barth,
9 Cindy Cieslak, Robert Helfand, John Herrington, Yam
10 Menon, Colin Newman, and Michael Rose?

11 MR. BAILEY: Yes.

12 MS. CIESLAK: Thank you.

13 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay.

14 MS. CIESLAK: For the member of the public-

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.

16 MS. CIESLAK: --I'm going to place you in the
17 waiting room. When the commission reenters public
18 session, you will be invited back in for public
19 session.

20 Oh, one more thing. Actually, trustees, is
21 Charlotte Moller also invited into executive session?
22 I saw a nod from Mr. Bailey.

23 MR. BAILEY: Yes, invite her in.

24 MS. CIESLAK: Thank you.

25 (The commission was in executive session from

1 9:20 a.m. until 9:33 a.m.)

2 MS. CIESLAK: Mr. Chairman, this is Cindy
3 Cieslak. Just give it a few seconds so that Attorney
4 Raymond and Mr. Kilbride can get connected to the
5 audio.

6 Attorney Raymond, can you hear us?

7 MR. RAYMOND: Yes, I can.

8 MS. CIESLAK: Good morning.

9 MR. RAYMOND: Good morning.

10 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Is your client present, I
11 take it?

12 MR. RAYMOND: He was logging in remotely.
13 Oh, there he is.

14 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: There he is. Okay. All
15 right. Please proceed.

16 MR. RAYMOND: Good morning, members of the
17 commission. My name is Justin Raymond. I'm here today
18 with my client, Sean Kilbride. This claim involves a
19 request for review of Mr. Kilbride's application for a
20 disability pension on merits. The application was
21 received by the Retirement Services Division August
22 14th, 2019 - I'm sorry, it was executed on 8/14/2019.
23 However, Mr. Kilbride separated from state service June
24 30th of 2016.

25 Mr. Kilbride is requesting that the

1 application be received and reviewed for a decision on
2 the merits on the basis that it is his position that he
3 was under the impression that the application was going
4 to be prepared and submitted within the two-year
5 timeframe, however that was not done so at the time of
6 his separation. Mr. Kilbride is here today as well as
7 myself for any questions the commission may have to
8 further clarify his position as well as this request
9 that the application be received.

10 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay. Thank you, Mr.
11 Raymond. Are there any comments or discussion or
12 questions from members of the commission? What does
13 the commission choose to do with this request, please?

14 MR. CAREY: Mr. Chairman, this is Mike Carey.
15 I was wondering if Attorney Raymond could expand a
16 little bit on what the extenuating circumstances are.
17 I mean, the paper documents show that the material was
18 submitted beyond the 24 months, but what are the
19 extenuating circumstances by which Attorney Raymond
20 believes we should toll the requirements?

21 MR. RAYMOND: Yes. And, Mr. Kilbride, feel
22 free to chime in. I don't want to speak entirely for
23 you, but it is my understanding that the understanding
24 was at the time of his separation that the application
25 was going to be prepared by the agency. He had a

1 workers' compensation claim involving his lumbar spine
2 where he was receiving workers' compensation benefits
3 at the time, and up through, I believe it was, sometime
4 in 2017.

5 So it was his understanding at the time of
6 separation that the disability retirement application
7 was going to be prepared, however that was not done so.
8 He followed up with the agency. Unfortunately, as the
9 documentation shows, the application was not prepared
10 and submitted until August of 2019.

11 Mr. Kilbride, I'll leave the floor to you if
12 you have anything further to expand upon.

13 MR. KILBRIDE: (Inaudible) Sorry for not
14 chiming in. My audio is a little weak on my end.

15 Yeah, so basically, when I separated from
16 service, the woman that I was dealing with in workers'
17 comp, I was under the impression that I had filed the
18 correct paperwork for the disability retirement with
19 her. However, from what I came to find out when I
20 actually resubmitted the application was that I was
21 really just filing my vested pension paperwork. I did
22 not know that.

23 And, again, I had a lot going on at the time
24 with the workers' comp claim as well as a lawsuit with
25 the other party that I was involved in a car accident

1 with. And when I tried to follow up - I'm sorry, I
2 can't remember the woman's name. She had a very
3 different name, not very common, started with an M is
4 all I can remember. When I tried to follow up with
5 her, she still had an active voicemail, but I came to
6 find out that she had retired and moved to Florida.

7 And I was leaving voice messages; I was
8 trying to follow up. I called the main human resources
9 and was told that somebody else had taken her position.
10 This was, you know, several months to a year later.
11 And during which time, my workers' comp claim had
12 settled and I thought that would go retroactively into
13 the disability. I got the name of somebody else I
14 tried calling that I was told replaced this woman.
15 Again, left multiple voicemails, never got a call back.

16 Finally went there to find out that she was -
17 this replacement person had also retired. I believe
18 her name was Dawn. And then I met up, you know,
19 eventually with I believe her name was Denise and
20 filled out the application. She said this was the
21 first time she'd ever done one of these applications.

22 I had also called the Comptroller's Office
23 prior to doing this and they told me about the 24-month
24 limit, but because I was told that I was on workers'
25 comp, I still fell - or the woman I spoke to at the

1 Comptroller's Office told me I still fell into that 24-
2 month window because I was still collecting workers'
3 comp, so technically I was still under the employment
4 of the state, if that makes sense.

5 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Thank you. How does the
6 commission wish to proceed? Mr. Carey, you asked the
7 question, so I'll call on you.

8 MR. CAREY: Well, I'm wondering if either
9 Attorney Raymond or Mr. Kilbride have information about
10 - well, Mr. Kilbride, with you just saying that you
11 continued to be employed, or you believed that you
12 continued to be employed by the state by virtue of your
13 continuing to receive workers' compensation benefits,
14 when did those benefits conclude; do you know?

15 MR. KILBRIDE: I want to say April 2017.
16 Maybe May. April, May 2017.

17 MR. CAREY: And do you know if there is
18 anything in the employment record that shows that you
19 actually remained on the state's active - in the
20 state's record up until that time as an employee?

21 MR. KILBRIDE: Again, this was all due - over
22 a phone call with - I wish I took better notes, and
23 since then, I've moved and a lot of stuff has been lost
24 - with an employee from the State Comptroller's Office.
25 If her name was told to me, I'd probably remember it,

1 but I'm sorry, I can't think of it offhand. But she
2 told me to go ahead and file the application because I
3 was still within the 24-month window.

4 MR. CAREY: Well, then, Mr. Chairman, it
5 would be my take, you know, for discussion among the
6 trustees, that we should have the employment record
7 explored and to take a look at the history of workers'
8 compensation payments to determine whether or not that
9 would have an impact on our decision in this matter.

10 So my recommendation would-

11 MR. LUCIANO: Generally, I would agree.

12 MR. KILBRIDE: But again, if I could
13 reiterate, I really thought I submitted the application
14 upon separation from service in the summer of 2016 with
15 the party, but from what I understand - or came to find
16 out later, that was just the vested pension paperwork.

17 MR. CAREY: Right, I understand that, Mr.
18 Kilbride. The record, the document that we have in
19 front of us, has that box checked off for vested rights
20 retirement with your signature. So without something
21 additional to talk to - that would demonstrate
22 continued employment beyond that date, what we have on
23 record is that box checked and your signature on that
24 form showing that date.

25 So that's why my suggestion would be that we

1 do a little bit more digging before we render a
2 decision.

3 MR. KILBRIDE: I understand. I appreciate
4 that.

5 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Mr. Carey, could you
6 convert that into a motion, please?

7 MR. CAREY: Yes, indeed, I could. So, Mr.
8 Chairman, this is Mike Carey. I would move that we
9 table the Kilbride matter until such time that we have
10 had additional research done on the workers'
11 compensation payments and employment history of Mr.
12 Kilbride, and anything else we think we need - needs to
13 be reviewed in order for us to render a decision in the
14 matter. And usually, we have to indicate a date-
15 certain, so I would say we table it until next month's
16 meeting.

17 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

18 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Thank you. Any further
19 discussion? Hearing none, all in favor of the motion,
20 say aye or raise your hand.

21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Aye.

22 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay or raise your
23 hand. It's unanimous; the ayes have it.

24 Thank you, Mr. Raymond. Thank you, Mr.
25 Kilbride.

1 MR. KILBRIDE: Thank you.

2 MR. RAYMOND: Thank you, everyone.

3 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay, we need a motion to
4 go back into executive session.

5 MR. LUCIANO: So moved.

6 MR. BAILEY: Bailey, second.

7 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any further discussion?
8 All in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

9 MS. CIESLAK: Mr. Chairman?

10 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Cindy?

11 MS. CIESLAK: Mr. Chairman, this is Cindy
12 Cieslak. For the record, Mr. Luciano made that motion.

13 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay. All in favor, say
14 aye or raise your hand.

15 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Aye.

16 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Opposed, nay or raise your
17 hand. The ayes have it.

18 MS. CIESLAK: This is Cindy Cieslak. For the
19 members of the public who are here, you will be placed
20 in the waiting room while the trustees enter executive
21 session. When we reenter public session, you will be
22 invited back in for the public session.

23 Mr. Luciano and Mr. Bailey, can you confirm
24 that your entering executive session includes an
25 invitation to Bruce Barth, Cindy Cieslak, Robert

1 Helfand, John Herrington, Yam Menon, Colin Newman,
2 Michael Rose, and Charlotte Moller to enter executive
3 session?

4 MR. BAILEY: Yes.

5 MS. CIESLAK: Thank you.

6 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay.

7 (The commission was in executive session from
8 9:44 a.m. until 9:47 a.m.)

9 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Okay, we need some motions
10 on Shaver, Downing, and D'Alessandro. Mr. Carey?

11 MR. CAREY: Mr. Chairman, I'll take up those
12 motions. First, in the Shaver matter, I move that the
13 commission grant the request to submit posthumous
14 disability retirement to the Medical Examining Board.

15 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

16 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any further discussion?
17 Hearing none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.
18 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. It's unanimous; the
19 ayes have it.

20 MR. CAREY: Mr. Chairman, this is Mike Carey.
21 Regarding the Downing matter, I move that the
22 commission grant the appeal for remand to the Medical
23 Examining Board.

24 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

25 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing

1 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.

2 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. It's unanimous; the
3 ayes have it.

4 MR. CAREY: And Mr. Chairman, this is Mike
5 Carey. On the D'Alessandro matter, I move that the
6 commission deny her appeal to receive survivor
7 benefits.

8 MR. LUCIANO: Sal Luciano, second.

9 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: Any discussion? Hearing
10 none, all in favor, say aye or raise your hand.
11 Opposed, nay or raise your hand. It's unanimous; the
12 ayes have it.

13 Adjournment.

14 MR. LUCIANO: So moved, Sal Luciano.

15 MR. BAILEY: Bailey, second.

16 CHAIRMAN ADOMEIT: All in favor, say aye or
17 raise your hand. Opposed, nay or raise your hand.
18 It's unanimous; the ayes have it.

19 Thank you all very much.

20 MR. CAREY: Take care, everybody. See you
21 soon.

22 (Adjourned at 9:49 a.m.)
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