



STATE OF CONNECTICUT MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT COMMISSION

The regular meeting of the Municipal Employees Retirement Commission (the “Commission”) was held on February 19, 2026. The meeting was held electronically via Teams. The meeting was held at 1:00 p.m., and the following members of the Commission were present:

- Jeffrey Tomchik, Vice Chairman
- Michelle Boyles, Trustee
- Tara Downes, Ex Officio Member
- Michael Freda, Trustee
- David Glidden, Trustee
- Karen McDonough, Trustee
- Kurt Miller, Trustee
- Troy Raccuia, Trustee
- Sarah Sanders, Ex Officio Member
- Steven Stephanou, Trustee

Also present were:

- John Herrington, Director, Retirement Services Division
- Robert Helfand, Assistant Director, Retirement Services Division
- Ben Sedrowski, Retirement Services Division
- Megan Piwonski, Retirement Services Division
- Cari Pennoyer, Retirement Services Division
- Yamuna Menon, Retirement Services Division

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.; Megan Piwonski identified those in attendance.

At 1:06 p.m.; Kurt Miller moved, seconded by Michael Freda, to approve the agenda. All voted in favor. Unanimous decision.

At 1:07 p.m.; Kurt Miller moved, seconded by Troy Raccuia, to approve the consent agenda including the January 2026 minutes and invoices. All voted in favor. Unanimous decision.

At 1:08 p.m.; Kurt Miller moved, seconded by Troy Raccuia, to approve the regular and retroactive retirements for January 2026. All voted in favor. Unanimous decision.

At 1:08 p.m.; the Chair invited Retirement Services Division Director John Herrington to present the Director’s Report to the Trustees.

At 1:12 p.m.; Kurt Miller moved, seconded by Michael Freda, to amend the agenda to include a discussion of Dobbs vs. Vahey in executive session. All voted in favor. Unanimous decision.

Executive Session

At 1:13 p.m.; the Trustees entered executive session.

At 1:24 p.m.; the Trustees exited executive session and resumed the regular meeting.

Public Session

At 1:25 p.m.; John Herrington completed his Director's Report.

At 1:26 p.m.; the Chair opened discussion regarding Old Business.

At 1:27 p.m.; Megan Piwonski presented on Reemployment Rules.

At 1:49 p.m.; Megan Piwonski completed her presentation.

At 2:17 p.m.; hearing no further discussion, the Vice Chair closed discussion regarding Old Business.

MEETING ADJOURNED: As there was no further business to be addressed, at 2:18 p.m. Kurt Miller moved, seconded by Steve Stephanou to adjourn. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Brian Vahey, Chairman

Prepared by John Herrington, Director, Retirement Services Division