



**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT COMMISSION
BENEFITS COMMITTEE**

The regular meeting of the Municipal Employees Retirement Commission's Benefit's Committee ("the Committee") was held on May 21, 2026. The meeting was held electronically via Teams. The meeting was held at 12:04 p.m., and the following members of the Committee were present:

- Michael Freda, Committee Chair
- Michelle Boyles, Committee Vice Chair
- Jeffrey Arn, Trustee
- David Glidden, Trustee

Also present were:

- Jeffrey Tomchik, Trustee
- John Herrington, Director, Retirement Services Division
- Robert Helfand, Assistant Director, Retirement Services Division
- Megan Piwonski, Retirement Services Division

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.; Megan Piwonski identified those in attendance.

At 12:05 p.m.; Jeff Arn moved, seconded by Michelle Boyles, to approve the meeting agenda. All voted in favor.

At 12:30 p.m.; Jeff Arn moved, seconded by Michelle Boyles, that regarding Cynthia Schmitz; the Committee recommend to the Retirement Commission that it deny her request to purchase retirement service credit for her periods of non-covered employment at the Norwalk Housing Authority. All voted in favor. *Michael Freda and David Glidden abstained.*

MEETING ADJOURNED: As there was no further business to be addressed, at 12:33 p.m. Jeff Arn moved, seconded by David Glidden to adjourn. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:
Benjamin Sedrowski