

Minutes of Executive Session – Purpose 1
October 14, 2020 @ 12:25 PM

Commissioners Present: Chairman Philip Y. Brown, Commissioners Timothy Dooling, Kate Fitzpatrick, Kathleen Fallon, James Machado, Robert McCarthy and Jennifer Sullivan.

PERAC Staff Present: Executive Director John Parsons, Deputy Executive Director Caroline Carcia, Assistant Deputy Director Bill Keefe, General Counsel Judith Corrigan, Compliance Director Thomas O'Donnell, Associate General Counsel Katie Brady, Project Manager Anthony Tse, and Senior Executive Assistant Kim Boisvert.

Chairman Brown indicated that each Commissioner must notify him that they are alone and that there is no opportunity for anyone else to hear what is happening during Executive Session. A roll call was taken for each of the Commissioners to affirm this and the responses were as follows: Chairman Philip Brown YES, Commissioners Timothy Dooling YES, Kate Fitzpatrick YES, Kathleen Fallon YES, and James Machado YES, Robert McCarthy YES, and Jennifer Sullivan YES.

Mr. Parsons summarized the responsibilities for board members under Chapter 176 regarding the filings of the Statement of Financial Interests (SFIs). If a board member does not comply with Chapter 176, the Commission is to hear the matter and vote for the respective member's removal.

Mr. O'Donnell reported that Board Members James Gray from the Winchester Retirement System, Brian Thompson from the Hull Retirement System, and Michael Cornetta from the North Attleboro Retirement System have failed to file their Statement of Financial Interests (SFI). He explained that he sent a letter to these members dated July 23, 2020 notifying them of the importance of providing the SFI, and a letter sent September 10, 2020 providing an opportunity for these members to appear at this Commission meeting. There has been no response from these members. Therefore Mr. O'Donnell recommends the removal of each of the members from their respective retirement systems.

Commissioner Dooling inquired if any of the Board Members have given any indication why they haven't filed their SFIs.

Mr. O'Donnell reported that one member has his own private business, doesn't receive any compensation to attend meetings, and hasn't taken any educational opportunities. He reported that another individual attends the meetings, is consistently late every year with his education requirements, and does not respond to any of his communications. The last individual has not communicated with Mr. O'Donnell at all.

Ms. Corrigan suggested that a separate roll call vote for each individual would be preferred.

Commissioner Machado made a motion to bar Mr. Michael Cornetta from serving as a member on a retirement board governed by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 32 for his failure to file his 2019 State of Financial Interests pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 32, Section 20C effective October 14, 2020. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Fitzpatrick and a roll call was taken as follows: Chairman Philip Brown YES, Commissioners Timothy Dooling YES, Kate Fitzpatrick YES, Kathleen Fallon YES, and James Machado YES, Robert McCarthy YES, and Jennifer Sullivan YES and the motion was adopted.

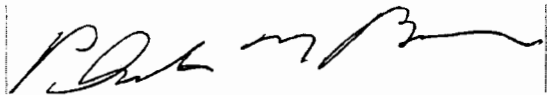
Commissioner Dooling made a motion to bar Mr. James Gray from serving as a member on a retirement board governed by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 32 for his failure to file his 2019 State of Financial Interests pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 32, Section 20C effective October 14, 2020. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Fallon and a roll call was taken as follows: Chairman Philip Brown YES, Commissioners Timothy Dooling YES, Kate Fitzpatrick YES, Kathleen Fallon YES, and James Machado YES, Robert McCarthy YES, and Jennifer Sullivan YES and the motion was adopted.

Commissioner Dooling made a motion to bar Mr. Brian Thompson from serving as a member on a retirement board governed by Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 32 for his failure to file his 2019 State of Financial Interests pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 32, Section 20C effective October 14, 2020. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Fallon and a roll call was taken as follows: Chairman Philip Brown YES, Commissioners Timothy Dooling YES, Kate Fitzpatrick YES, Kathleen Fallon YES, and James Machado YES, Robert McCarthy YES, and Jennifer Sullivan YES and the motion was adopted.

At 12:35 PM Commissioner McCarthy made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session meeting and the Commission meeting. Commissioner Dooling seconded the motion and a roll call vote was taken as follows:

Chairman Philip Brown YES, Commissioners Timothy Dooling YES, Kathy Fallon YES, Kate Fitzpatrick YES, James Machado YES, Robert McCarthy YES, and Jennifer Sullivan YES, and the motion was adopted. The Executive Session and Commission meeting adjourned at 12:35 PM.

Approved:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Philip Y. Brown', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized.

Philip Y. Brown, Chairman
Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission

ROLL CALL VOTES

DATE: November 18, 2020

ACTION:

Commissioner Fitzpatrick moves to

Adopt and open the Executive Session minutes dated October 14, 2020

Commissioner Dooling seconds the motion and a roll call vote is taken

ROLL CALL votes:

MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Philip Y. Brown, Chairman	X		
Timothy Dooling, Vice Chair	X		
Kathleen Fallon	X		
Kate Fitzpatrick	X		
James Machado	X		
Robert McCarthy		<i>not in attendance</i>	
Jennifer Sullivan	X		



ATTEST, Chairman Philip Y. Brown