

MINUTES FOR THE 1243rd BOARD MEETING
STATE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

DATE: August 26, 2021

TIME: 10:05 A.M.

PLACE: One Winter Street – 8th Floor, Boston, MA

There being a quorum present, the August 2021 meeting of the State Retirement Board “(Board”) was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by the Board Chair, Designee, Treasury General Counsel / Deputy Treasurer Sarah Kim.

Attorney Kim announced pursuant to the Commonwealth’s Open Meeting Law Massachusetts General Law chapter 30A, §20, as recently amended, that the meeting of the Board was being held via the internet and was being called to order with the following Members participating remotely for all or part of the meeting and who were identified at this time: Treasury General Counsel / Deputy Treasurer Sarah Kim; Treasurer Deborah Goldberg, Theresa McGoldrick, Elected Member; Francis Valeri, Elected Member; Patricia Deal, Appointed Member. Unless otherwise noted, all votes taken at the meeting were taken by roll call vote.

(Treasurer Goldberg joined the meeting)

Board staff present or participating remotely for all or part of the meeting were: Nicola Favorito, Deputy Treasurer/Executive Director; Melinda Troy, Director of Legal Services; Lori Krusell, Associate Board Counsel; Brendan McGough, Associate Board Counsel; Kathryn Kougias, Finance Director; Kimberly Griffin, Assistant Director of Information Systems; Paula Daddona, Assistant Director of Communications & Outreach; Zachary Pierce, Communications Coordinator, II; Angela Olszewski, Director for Business Support; Diana Reyes, Benefits Calculation Manager; Chanese Pearson, Manager, Disability Unit; Joisei Horton, Disability Case Counselor; Lisa Zale, Disability Case Counselor; Yande Lombe, Paralegal; Diane Scott, Group Classification Coordinator; and Pamela Diggs, Paralegal; Thao T. N. Chau, Benefit Calculation Analyst; Scott Curtis, Budget & Finance Manager; Michaela Biggs, Disability Retirement Benefits Administrative Support Analyst; Zhuoxin Tan, MSRB Internal Auditor; Stephanie Medina, Disability Case Counselor; Michael Clancy, Data Quality Manager; Diana Duverge, Internal Audit Associate; Rachel Healey, Hearing Officer; Pamela Holloman, Office Manager.

Treasury staff participating remotely for all or part of the meeting were James MacDonald, First Deputy Treasurer; Emily Kowtoniuk, Treasury Legislative Affairs; Andrew Napolitano, Treasury Communications; Chandra Bork, Chief of Staff; Mary Wilkins, Communications Executive Assistant; Elizabeth Morrocco, Associate General Counsel; Elizabeth Zelnick, Senior Policy Analyst.

Members of the public were provided access to the meeting via a call-in number. Participants participating remotely for parts of the meeting were: Kristyn Camilleri, Personnel Officer, DOC; Attorney Griffin Hanrahan; Mary Blackman; Attorney Daniel Napolitano; Daniel Peña; Attorney Napolitano; Ralph Seney; Attorney Vincent Murray; Robert Coppage; Attorney Karen Hambleton; Dana Fowler; Sergeant Robert Stephanian, Plymouth County Sheriff’s Department.

Treasurer Goldberg announced in accordance with the Commonwealth's Open Meeting Law that any person may make a video or audio recording of an open session of a meeting of a public body, and she was obligated to inform participants of any recording at the beginning of the meeting. She then asked that anyone who is making any recording identify themselves as doing so to Treasury staff monitoring the public access platform. No person indicated that he/she was making a recording.

Treasurer Goldberg also announced that for those members of the public accessing the open portion of the Board meeting, that access will conclude when the Board enters Executive Session and that the Board would adjourn today's meeting from Executive Session.

OPEN SESSION

MINUTES OF THE 1242nd BOARD MEETING

On a motion by Ms. McGoldrick and seconded by Mr. Valeri the Board voted unanimously to approve the Regular and Executive Session Minutes of the 1,242nd Board Meeting, held on July 29, 2021.

ON THE ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

1. MSRB Operations

Mr. Favorito updated the Board that the Treasury has modified the return-to-work policy. The start date for the pilot hybrid work program is now October 4, 2021. This would include a two-day per week minimum in office schedule coupled with remote work ability. The current work arrangement remains in effect until then. The pilot hybrid would run initially through December 31, 2021 and be reviewed during November.

The Treasury has also announced a mandatory COVID-19 vaccination policy for staff which will require all employees to provide proof of vaccination against COVID-19 on or before Friday, October 15, 2021. Treasurer Goldberg provided the background and thought process for the policy update.

In the meantime, the modified in-office & remote work arrangement remains in place in Boston & Springfield with limited staff working daily in both offices. All other staff are working remotely.

Hours remain in place for both offices during which MSERS members may drop off applications, forms, and documents in person. In Boston currently, Monday, Wednesday & Friday 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. In Springfield Tuesday and Thursday 11:00 a.m. – 2 :00 p.m. Mr. Favorito added that member telephone hours are being extended to 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. starting the week of September 7, 2021.

The Commonwealth pension system received \$13.682m in excess capital gains revenue received by the Commonwealth for the month of June 2021 which is the fourth period for fiscal year 2021. The SRBTF (OPEB) Fund received the same amount, and the Commonwealth Stabilization (Rainy Day”) Fund was receiving \$246.287m. For fiscal year 2021 the pension system received a total of \$61.007m.

Weekly (disbursement) and monthly (pension) warrants were executed regularly as scheduled. Mr. Favorito noted that Board staff were able to add 267 new retiree payees and over 30 survivor beneficiaries to the pension payroll for August. A significant number despite being short-handed in the benefit calculation area.

For 2021 the Disbursement Unit has processed thus far almost 1,900 refunds / rollovers / transfers totaling approximately \$33m in net funds.

The Business Support Unit supported by Treasury’s Administration & Finance Department executed accelerated benefit payments. Forty-nine of the new retirees had their benefits approved for payment on August 14th. The total dollar amount issued was over \$515k in gross benefit payments.

These members received their retro-active benefit payments (from their retirement date through July 31st) rather than have them wait until the end of August and receive the retro benefits together with their first month’s benefit payment. These members are receiving their regular July benefit payment at the end of the month. This far approximately 626 retirees have received accelerated payments in this fashion since March 2020.

Mr. Favorito reported that the number of outstanding 2020 BVF’s has dropped to approximately 145 with the ongoing outreach efforts of MSRB staff. Members who came into compliance over the past month and had their benefits withheld have had their accounts updated and benefits re-started.

Finally, the Communications Team reports that since January 2021 they have hosted 52 webinars, with a total of 4,528 attendees; have broadcast 27 Facebook live shows and had 16,064 total views of our videos across the MSRB’s various platforms across both Facebook and YouTube.

2. YTD Fiscal 2021 Operating & Capital Spending Plans

Mr. Favorito highlighted the YTD Fiscal 2022 Operating and Capital Spending Plans vs. actual expenditure reports (through July 31, 2021) included as part of the Agenda materials. The Finance Unit reported preliminarily that projected spending came in in approximately \$900k under budgeted amounts for FY 2021.

3. Legislative Update

Mr. Favorito referenced the Governor's further veto of the amendment engrossed by the Legislature to increase the number of hours for retirees to work in the public sector from 975 to 1,200. The Governor had let stand a one-time \$250m payment to the pension system which had been returned to him.

Mr. Favorito also noted a recent amendment to c. 32, §100 allowing for benefits in cases of police officers passing away while responding to emergencies

4. PRIM Performance Update

The Board reviewed the July 31, 2021 PRIM performance information. PRIM assets continue to surpass its previous high level from June 30, 2021 and now stood at \$96.848b. The calendar year to date performance was reported as 12.32%. MSERS assets stood at \$35.843b.

Treasurer Goldberg and Ms. McGoldrick commented on activity from the recent PRIM board meeting and the Fund's continuing performance achievements.

5. MARIS Quarterly Update

Kimberly Griffin, the MSRB's Director for Information Systems & Technology briefed the Board. She noted that operationally since her last update the MARIS support team successfully executed annual processes including:

- Member Annual Statements
- Annual Retiree COLA and Dependent Stipend increase
- Annual Student Verification process
- §3(8)(c) Liability Payments
- §3(8)(c) Bills for 2020 reimbursements from respective retirement boards
- June 2021 local retirement board Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) reimbursement payments

She added that the MARIS Support Team and the MSRB Business Support Team engaged with the Hampshire County Retirement System to successfully complete the data conversion and transfer of HCRS member data into MARIS related to the retirees and inactive members

of the former Hampshire Council of Governments. As required by legislation, the MSERS assumed benefit administration and benefit payments in July 2021.

The MSRB in conjunction with Treasury Legal Counsel and Sagitec, drafted and finalized the Fourth Amendment to Sagitec's Maintenance and Support Agreement for continued MARIS Product services (i.e., Neospin Framework licensing and maintenance), MARIS and OnBase hosting services and MARIS application development services for the 2022 fiscal year. With the delivery of strategic functional and infrastructure projects in fiscal year 2021, Sagitec personnel were reduced to a streamlined resource model that complements MSRB's IT staff.

The MSRB is continuing MSS planning activities which include development of a MSS Portal Implementation Request for Response (RFR).

The MSRB worked on several infrastructure projects, in parallel with MARIS support and enhancements, including:

- Upgraded MSRB's OnBase Content Management System (CMS) from its current version (OnBase 13.0.2) to OnBase Foundation Build and migrated the OnBase database and component servers from Treasury maintained hardware/software to Microsoft Azure Government Cloud. MSRB went live with the upgraded OnBase CMS software and migration to Microsoft Azure Government Cloud on May 24th.
- Upgraded MARIS from its original Neospin Framework version (i.e., the Sagitec foundation code base that MARIS is built on) to Neospin Framework Version 6. The upgrade went live on June 7th.

6. Legal Update

The Board reviewed the case summaries submitted by the Legal Unit of recent DALA & CRAB decisions.

7. Board / Staff Communications

Mr. Favorito noted the most recent edition of the MSRB *Retiree eNews Bulletin* which had issued earlier in the week.

AGENDA ITEMS

SERVICE PURCHASE REQUEST

1. Corey Turner (Veteran's service)

After discussion and review of the available information Ms. Deal made a motion to approve the request to allow the service purchase. Mr. Valeri seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

(Treasurer Goldberg briefly departed from the meeting)

WAIVER OF PAYMENT REQUEST (G.L. c.32, §20(5)(c)(3))

1. Kathleen O’Gorman

After discussion Mr. Valeri made a motion to approve the waiver of overpayment. Ms. McGoldrick seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Ms. Kim | Yes |

(Treasurer Goldberg returns to the meeting)

RECOVERY OF BENEFIT OVERPAYMENT

1. John Hamer

Attorney Troy summarized the case of Mr. Hamer a retiree who passed away in January 2019. He chose Option A when he retired. The Board was not initially made aware of his passing until contacted by Mr. Hamer’s extended family in August 2020.

Beginning in September 2020, the Board sent a series of letters to the informant listed on Mr. Hamer’s death certificate, Jeffrey Nazarian, advising him that Mr. Hamer’s benefit had been overpaid and seeking recoupment in the amount of \$89,981.65. Mr. Nazarian is also involved in ongoing litigation with Mr. Hamer’s extended family seeking to be appointed the Personal Representative of Mr. Hamer’s estate. That litigation is in the Essex County Probate and Family Court and the Middlesex County Superior Court, respectively.

Ultimately, Mr. Nazarian retained counsel in this matter and in April 2021 signed a stipulation with the Board whereby he agreed to pay the amount owed in monthly installments of \$300 every other month until the other litigation is resolved.

Mr. Nazarian paid one installment in May 2021 but defaulted on his July payment. Board staff notified his counsel that the payment had not been received. Counsel stated that Mr. Nazarian would send it in mid-July but no payment was received. The stipulation Mr. Nazarian signed acknowledged that the Board could take further legal action in the event of default.

Ms. Troy requested the Board authorize the MSRB Legal Unit to pursue available remedies to secure repayment of the amounts owed. This could include continuing discussions with Mr. Nazarian and his counsel, seeking the advice of the Office of the Attorney General (“AGO”) to determine the feasibility of having the Board join either case in which Mr. Nazarian is already involved or pursuing repayment through action by the AGO on the Board’s behalf or, with the AGO’s permission, obtaining a referral to the applicable District Attorney’s Office.

Ms. Deal made a motion authorizing staff to pursue available legal remedies as described by Attorney Troy to recover the benefit overpayment. Ms. McGoldrick seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

GROUP CLASSIFICATIONS

GROUP 2

Pursuant to the Board’s Classification Policy the following were reported as approved for Group 2 Classification:

1. **Albert Abraham** Court Officer 3, MA Trial Court
2. **Cecilia Ative** Residential Supervisor A/B, NE Residential Services
3. **Mechelle Bolden** Social Worker 3, DCF
4. **Gloria Cano** Social Worker 3/Intake Supervisor, DCF
5. **Angela Rae Caron** LPN I, SE Residential Services, DDS
6. **Kimberly Copp** Social Worker 3, DCF
7. **Robert Crossen** Court Officer 3, MA Trial Court
8. **Rosario Cruz** Social Worker 2, DCF
9. **Joelle DuBois-Michigan** Social Worker 2, DCF (2 prior approvals)
10. **Kevin Gobin** Assistant Chief Court Officer, MA Trial
11. **Rebecca Ferro-Lema** Social Worker C, DCF (prior approval)
12. **Sylvia Monteiro** Social Worker 3, Holyoke Area Office, DCF
13. **Portia Nelson** Social Worker 2, DCF
14. **Susan Sasseville** RN 2 Staff Nurse, Commonwealth Community Services, DDS
15. **Barbara Skerry** Paraprofessional, Pilgrim Area Collaborative

16. **Beth Tetreault** Social Worker 2/Adoption Social Worker, New Bedford Area Office, DCF
17. **Christine Trafecante** Social Worker 2, DCF (deferred)

GROUP 2 (Board Review)

1. **Mary Ekstrom** RN 3, Worcester Recovery Center & Hospital, DMH

After discussion and review of the available information Mr. Valeri made a motion to table the request for Group 2 Classification. Ms. Deal seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

2. **Delores Filleti-Nemet** Institution Security Officer 3, DYS

After discussion and review of the available information Ms. McGoldrick made a motion to table the request for Group 2 Classification. Mr. Valeri seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

3. **Robin Grant** Qualified Vocational Rehab. SW D, MA Hospital School, DPH

After discussion and review of the available information Ms. McGoldrick made a motion to approve the request for Group 2 Classification. Mr. Valeri seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

4. **Matthew Moffat** DSW 4, Hogan Regional Center, DDS

After discussion and review of the available information Ms. McGoldrick made a motion to deny the request for Group 2 Classification. Mr. Valeri seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

5. **Donna Thurlow** Director of Office of Community Corrections, Essex County Sheriff's Department

After discussion and review of the available information Ms. McGoldrick made a motion to deny the request for Group 2 Classification. Ms. Deal seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

GROUP 2 HSC A/B (Board Review)

1. **Sheila Burke** HSC A/B, North Shore Area Office, DDS

After discussion and review of the available information Ms. McGoldrick made a motion to approve the request for Group 2 HSC A/B's Classification. Mr. Valeri seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

2. **Roger Keller** HSC A/B/Milieu Therapist, Lemuel Shattuck Hospital, DPH

After discussion and review of the available information Mr. Valeri made a motion to approve the request for Group 2 HSC A/B Classification. Ms. Deal seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

3. **Rosario Morales** HSC A/B, South Valley Area Office, DDS

After discussion and review of the available information Ms. McGoldrick made a motion to approve the request for Group 2 HSC A/B Classification. Mr. Valeri seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

GROUP 2 PRO-RATED SERVICE (Board Review)

1. **Cheryl Callahan** **Suffolk County Sheriff's Department**
Senior Administrative Assistant – 11/8/95 – 6/30/06

After discussion and review of the available information Ms. McGoldrick made a motion to deny the request for Group 2 Pro-Rated service. Mr. Valeri seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

2. **John Lyons** **Dept. of Mental Health**
Case Manager 3 –N.E. Area Office- 1/19/92-1/17/97

After discussion and review of the available information Ms. McGoldrick made a motion to take no action on the request for Group 2 Pro-Rated service. Mr. Valeri seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

GROUP 4

Pursuant to the Board's Classification Policy the following are reported as approved for Group 4 Classification:

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| 1. <u>Douglas Adams</u> | Correction Officer I, Department of Correction |
| 2. <u>Michele Andrews</u> | Correction Officer, Bristol County Sheriff's Office |
| 3. <u>Paul Burke</u> | Correction Officer, Department of Correction |
| 4. <u>Eric Burton</u> | Jail Officer, Suffolk County Sheriff's Department |
| 5. <u>Janice Clarke</u> | Parole Officer C, MA Parole Board |
| 6. <u>James Daigle</u> | Correction Officer II, Department of Correction |
| 7. <u>Kenneth Davis</u> | Correction Officer, Plymouth County Sheriff's Department |
| 8. <u>Alan Dufresne</u> | Correction Officer I, Department of Correction |
| 9. <u>Robert Gordon</u> | Correction Officer II, Department of Correction |
| 10. <u>Michael Hamm</u> | Captain, Department of Correction |
| 11. <u>Colin Hazard</u> | Correction Officer I, Department of Correction |
| 12. <u>John Hodgson</u> | Captain, Essex County Sheriff's Department |
| 13. <u>Robert Horton</u> | Correction Officer II, Department of Correction |
| 14. <u>James Patrick Joyce</u> | Correction Officer, Department of Correction |
| 15. <u>Robert McGuirk</u> | Correction Officer II, Department of Correction |
| 16. <u>Dewayne Nelson</u> | Correction Officer III, Department of Correction |
| 17. <u>Douglas Ohlson</u> | Correction Officer, Essex County Sheriff's Department |
| 18. <u>Philip Pelley</u> | Correction Officer I, Department of Correction |
| 19. <u>Amy Risio</u> | Correction Officer II, Department of Correction |
| 20. <u>Frank Rodrigues</u> | Correction Officer I, Department of Correction [posthumous] |
| 21. <u>Mark Silva</u> | Correction Officer I, Department of Correction |
| 22. <u>Edward Soares</u> | Correction Officer, Bristol County Sheriff's Office |
| 23. <u>Florentina Sousa</u> | Correction Officer II, Department of Correction |
| 24. <u>Glenn Tipping</u> | Correction Officer, Department of Correction |
| 25. <u>Joseph Vito</u> | Captain, Norfolk County Sheriff's Office |
| 26. <u>Peter Vasconcellos</u> | Correction Officer I, Department of Correction [deferred] |

GROUP 4 (Board Review)

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| 1. <u>Dana Fowler</u> | Identification Officer, Plymouth County Sheriff's Department |
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Mr. Fowler appeared with Robert Stephanian of the Plymouth County Sheriff's Office seeking Group 4 classification for Mr. Fowler's service as a Criminal Identification Officer. Mr. Favorito summarized Mr. Fowler's retirement application and previous Board action / discussions regarding the position and its correspondence in support of corrective legislation which has been re-filed this session.

Mr. Stephanian provided the Board with the basis for seeking Group 4 classification resulting from previous actions of the Plymouth County Retirement System and his interpretation of the County transfer legislation from 2009. Ms. Troy highlighted the current status of relevant legal decisions, and her view the Board lacks the authority to approve Group 4 for a position that is not specified in c.32.

After discussion Ms. McGoldrick made a motion to take no action on Group 4 and directed Board staff to re-submit correspondence in support of legislation related to the classification of the Criminal Identification Officers. Ms. Deal seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

After further discussion Mr. Valeri made a motion to approve Group 2 based on prior Board decisions for the position. Ms. McGoldrick seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

GROUP 4 PRO RATE

Pursuant to the Board's Classification Policy the following are reported as approved for Group 4 Pro-Rated Classification:

1. **Daniel Lee**

Middlesex Sheriff's Office

Correction Officer – 11/19/90 – 04/14/12

Sr. Correction Officer – 04/15/12 – 06/22/13

Assistant Deputy Superintendent – 06/23/13 – 11/10/18

20/50

Pursuant to the Board's Classification Policy the following are reported as approved for 20/50 Classification:

1. **Craig Michael Camber** Correction Officer II, Department of Correction
2. **Craig Daniels** Correction Officer I, Department of Correction
3. **Bobby Gorham** Correction Officer I, Department of Correction
4. **Christopher Kiley** Jail Officer-Lieutenant, Suffolk County Sheriff's Department
5. **Tony Lopes** Correction Officer II, Department of Correction
6. **Matthew Mange** Correctional Officer, Worcester County Sheriff's Office
7. **Rand Nichols** Lieutenant, Essex County Sheriff's Department
8. **Thomas Piknick** Corrections Officer, Barnstable County Sheriff's Office
9. **Nicholas Poladian** Correction Officer I, Department of Correction
10. **John Roberio** Correction Officer II, Department of Correction
11. **Ian Taylor** Senior Correction Officer, Berkshire County Sheriff's Office

THE BOARD ENTERS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 11:45 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session to review applications for disability retirement, associated benefits, and to also consider the reputation, character, physical condition, or mental health of individuals with business before the Board. Treasurer Goldberg indicated the Board would not reconvene in Open Session after the Executive Session and will adjourn the meeting at the conclusion of the Executive Session.

Each Board member confirmed that no other person was present with them and/or able to hear the discussion at the remote location.

Ms. Deal made a motion to enter Executive Session, Mr. Valeri seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |

EXECUTIVE SESSION CONCLUDES AND ADJOURNMENT

**ON A MOTION BY MS. DEAL AND SECONDED BY MR. VALERI THE BOARD VOTED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.
THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 1:42 P.M.**

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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| Ms. McGoldrick | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri | Yes |
| Ms. Deal | Yes |
| Ms. Kim | Yes |

THE NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE STATE RETIREMENT BOARD IS SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON Thursday, September 30, 2021 starting at 10:00 AM.

Documents Used at the State Board of Retirement Meeting of August 26, 2021

- Agenda for the August 26, 2021 Board Meeting. Supporting documentation for Agenda items as referenced therein.
- Open Session and Executive Session Minutes of July 29, 2021 Board Meeting