MINUTES OF THE 1202nd BOARD MEETING
STATE RETIREMENT BOARD

DATE: March 29, 2018
TIME: 10:08 A.M.

PLACE: One Winter Street, Boston, MA 02108

The meeting of the State Board of Retirement was called to order with Members present for all or part of the meeting: Treasurer Deborah Goldberg (participated remotely); Treasury General Counsel Sarah Kim / Treasurer’s Designee; Theresa McGoldrick, Elected Member; Francis Valeri, Elected Member; Patricia Deal, Appointed Member.

Board staff present for all or part of the meeting were: Nicola Favorito, Deputy Treasurer/Executive Director; Marianne Welch, Deputy Executive Director; Rachel Grimaldi, Assistant Director of Benefits; Angela Olszewski, MARIS Support Manager; Kathryn Doty, Associate Board Counsel; Candace Hodge, Associate Board Counsel; Julie Noyes, Paralegal; Paula Daddona, Communications Manager; Janice Coen, Executive Assistant / Office Manager; Mohammed Ali, Finance Director; Dericka Joseph, MSRB Member Services.

Treasury staff present for all or part of the meeting were: Daniel Truong, Treasury Communications; Michael Bergquist, Treasurer’s Office; Pratap Modapotheala, MARIS Program Manager.

Other parties in attendance for all or part of the meeting were: John Malone, Gartner Consulting; Jay Beausoleil, Massachusetts State Police.

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order.

Ms. Kim announced that pursuant to the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, Massachusetts General Laws chapter 30A, section 20, and State Retirement Board policy, Treasurer Deborah Goldberg would participate by telephone for a portion of the meeting because her physical attendance was unreasonably difficult.

Ms. Kim then indicated the Open Meeting Law requires the person chairing the open meeting be physically present at the meeting. So, for the period when Treasurer Goldberg participated by telephone, Ms. Deal would serve as Acting Chair, although Ms. Kim would continue to facilitate the meeting’s agenda, but would not vote. While she was on the phone, the Treasurer may participate in any votes scheduled to take place at today’s meeting.

Ms. Kim sought a motion for the designation of Ms. Deal as Acting Chair for purposes of today’s meeting. On a motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Valeri the Board voted unanimously to designate Ms. Deal as Acting Chair.

All votes taken during today’s meeting would be by roll call vote so long as remote participation was invoked.

Ms. Kim 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 attendees of any recording at the beginning of the meeting. She then asked that anyone present who is making any recording identify themselves as doing so. No person present indicated that he/she was making a recording.

MINUTES OF THE 1201st BOARD MEETING: On a motion by Ms. Deal and seconded by Ms. McGoldrick the Board voted unanimously to approve the Regular and Executive Session Minutes of the 1201st Board Meeting, held on February 22, 2018.

ON THE ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

1. MARIS / Robert C. Minue Project Update - Monthly Project Status Report

MARIS Program Manager Pratap Modapothala and John Malone of Gartner reported to the Board on the past month and upcoming activities. They referenced the Board memo and dashboards in the meeting materials.

Mr. Modapothala noted the completion of the March pension payroll and the weekly disbursement warrants. Mr. Favorito indicated that 232 new first payees were added this month including 186 new retirees.

Board staff have submitted the Actuarial Reporting data file for active and retired member population to PERAC for its review in completing the 2018 Actuarial Valuation. Mr. Favorito recognized the efforts of MARIS Support Manager Angela Olszewski in completing this task. Similarly, the Board has issued COLA reimbursement payments to eligible local retirement systems. This was the first time the payments had been made electronically rather than by paper check. Mr. Favorito highlighted the work of the MSRB’s Finance Unit in completing this project.

Mr. Modapothala added that with Sagitec’s support contract ending June 30, 2018, the IV&V team with the help of MSRB leadership team has started preliminary work to determine the process for identifying and securing subsequent support services.

Mr. Favorito and Ms. Welch reported on Mr. Valeri’s question from last Board meeting related to higher than typical increase in the average monthly first pay benefit reported by the staff specifically from December 2016 into January 2017 at the time MARIS went live. Ms. Welch noted that based on Sagitec’s review it determined that the monthly data when formerly reported in the Legacy system reflected only the pension portion of payments, whereas the data being reported from MARIS included all components of new retirement allowance payments, including annuity as well as pension portions.
Mr. Favorito added that interviews had concluded for the new staff position of Manager of Information Systems for the Board. Moreover, postings for the positions of MARIS Administrator and two programmer positions were currently open.

He also reported that the GIC’s annual mailing to active MSERS members had occurred. The GIC had indicated that due to vendor oversight approximately 70,000 of the packets mailed did not include an MSRB Beneficiary Change Form or return envelope. The vendor in question had re-issued those two items in a supplemental mailing at no cost to the MSRB.

Ms. Welch noted that the first mailing of 2018 Benefit Verification Forms to all retirees will occur mid-April, with second and third mailings to occur later in the summer and early fall.

2. **YTD Fiscal 2018 Operating & Capital Budgets**
Mr. Favorito referred the Board to the YTD Fiscal 2018 Operating and Capital Budgets vs. actuals (through February 28, 2018) which had been handed out as part of the Agenda materials. He added that Board members would be receiving proposed FY 2019 spending plans for their consideration at the April Board meeting.

3. **Board Election Update / Certification**
Mr. Favorito presented the final results of the recently concluded Board Member election for certification. The number of valid votes received by each candidate as reported by the Board’s vendor Election America:

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A motion was made by Ms. Deal seconded by Mr. Valeri to certify the election results.

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The ballots submitted represented 10.54% of the ballots issued. Mr. Favorito indicated that notices will be issued to the candidates and to the Secretary of State.

4. **Commonwealth Audit / Proposed Management Letter Comment**
Mr. Favorito updated the Board on a potential Management Letter Comment ("MLC") related to the MSRB, the MTRB and Treasury indicated by KPMG who was carrying out the Commonwealth statewide audit. The issue related to the process currently used by the Commonwealth for the development, review and approval of actuarial assumptions used by the Commonwealth for both valuation and financial reporting purposes. Since the last Board meeting and based on discussions which had occurred the final MLC had been
revised to reference the Executive Office of Administration & Finance and PERAC and not the MSRB, MTRB or Treasury. Mr. Favorito indicated the final MLC was included with the Board’s materials.

5. **PRIM Update**
The Board reviewed the monthly investment performance information provided by PRIM through the month of February 2018.

Mr. Favorito also referenced the recently filed legislation submitted by Treasurer Goldberg in conjunction with Senator Creem and Representative Erlich. Numbered SD2578 and HD4656, the bill (*An Act requiring public pension fund divestment from ammunition and firearms*) would require limited divestment by PRIM. Treasurer Goldberg highlighted the significance of the legislation and the basis for its filing.

6. **Board / Staff Communications**
Mr. Favorito reviewed with the Board some of the most recent member and Board communications received.

7. **Out of State Travel** – PRISM Conference (April 22-25, 2018 / San Diego)
On a motion by Ms. McGoldrick and seconded by Mr. Valeri, the Board authorized up to two staff to attend the annual PRISM conference.

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**THE BOARD GOES INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.** At approximately 10:45 A.M. the Board entered 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. The Board indicated that it would return to Open Session after the Executive Session.

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

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At 10:46 A.M., Treasurer Goldberg made a motion to enter Executive Session. Ms. Deal seconded the motion.
BOARD RETURNS TO OPEN SESSION
(Roll call required)

THE BOARD COMES OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 11:34 A.M. Ms. McGoldrick made a motion to come out of Executive Session and return to Open Session. Ms. Deal seconded the motion.

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(Unless otherwise noted all votes taken are unanimous.)

REQUEST FOR RETROACTIVE DEPENDENT STIPEND BENEFITS

1. Howard S. Levine
   - Approved; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

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REQUEST TO CHANGE OPTION SELECTION

1. John Paradiso
   • Denied; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Mr. Valeri.

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REQUEST TO POP-UP TO OPTION A

1. Robert M. Ford
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REQUEST TO PURCHASE CONTRACT SERVICE

1. Leonard Walsh
   • Denied; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

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REQUEST TO RECONSIDER PURCHASE OF CONTRACT SERVICE

1. Dustin Cox – (previously denied)
   • Denied; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

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REQUEST TO WITHDRAW RETIREMENT APPLICATION

1. John V. Fernandes
   - Approved; Motion by Mr. Valeri, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick. Treasurer Goldberg abstained.

ON THE ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Treasurer Goldberg: Abstained
Ms. McGoldrick: Yes
Mr. Valeri: Yes
Ms. Deal: Yes

GROUP CLASSIFICATIONS

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

1. Robin Bates - Occupational Therapist, Taunton State Hospital, DMH
2. John Boles - Police Officer, UMASS Lowell
3. Diane Bouthillette - Recreation Therapist I, Wrentham Developmental Center, DDS
4. James Bowler - Social Worker 2, DCF
5. Karin Bowler - Social Worker 3, DCF (spousal)
6. Paul Craig - Adaptive Equipment Designer, Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital, DPH
7. Cheryl Crowther - Vocational Instructor C, SE Region, DDS
8. William DeWitt - Clinical Social Worker D, MA Mental Health Center, DMH
9. Maurice Dore - Police Lieutenant, UMASS Dartmouth
10. Cynthia Dziadzio - RN 2, Holyoke Soldiers Home
11. Lisa Gaudette - Physical Therapist 3, Central Residential Services, DDS
12. Donna Gray - Paraprofessional, The Martin School, Bi-County Collaborative
13. Joanne Hawker - LPN I, NE Residential Services, DDS
14. Linda Hodge - LPN, Commonwealth Community Services, DDS
15. Mary Houle - Habilitation Coordinator A/B Wrentham Developmental Center
16. Mark Jacques - University Police Sergeant, UMASS Amherst, Division of Public Safety
17. Stephen Joseph - Court Officer 3, MA Trial Court
18. Cheryl Kane - RN 2, May Center, DDS
19. Marcia Levine - Physical Therapist Asst., Hogan Regional Center, DDS
20. Marion Mercadante - Youth Services Program Officer A/B, Western Region, DYS
21. Rosemary Mini - Social Worker 2, DCF
22. Maureen Mosher - RN 2, Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital, MA Hospital School
23. Catherine Murdock - Social Worker C, DCF
24. Damari Nagera-Brefle - Social Worker A/B, DCF
25. Michele Petruzelli - Program Coordinator 3/Court Liaison, DDS
26. Rose Rodrigues - Social Worker 3, DCF

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27. **James Supczak** – Habilitation Coordinator I, Central West Region, DDS
28. **Paul Taylor** – Vocational Instructor 2, SE Region, DDS
29. **Wendy Toon** – Social Worker 2, DCF
30. **Barbara Westgate** – LPN I, SE Residential Services, DDS

**GROUP 2 TO BOARD**

1. **Sharon Blanchard** – Director of Classification & Treatment, DOC
   - Approved; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Valeri.

**ON THE ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:**

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

2. **Virginia Keyes** – Residential Supervisor C, Central West Region, DDS
   - Approved; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

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

3. **Vansy Khut Kong** – Facility Worker 2/Housekeeper, Tewksbury Hospital, DPH
   - Denied; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

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

4. **Luz Marcano** – Social Worker D, DCF (deferred)
   - Approved; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

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| Treasurer Goldberg | Yes |
| Ms. McGoldrick   | Yes |
| Mr. Valeri       | Yes |
| Ms. Deal         | Yes |
5. **Raymond Marchill** – Superintendent, Treatment Center, DOC  
   - **Approved**; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

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6. **Sharon Micdeico** – Administrative Assistant, Lawrence Community District Office, DYS  
   - **Denied**; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

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7. **Lawrence Ransford** – Classification Supervisor, Suffolk County Sheriff’s Department  
   - **Approved**; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Valeri.

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**Treasurer Goldberg departs the meeting 11:50 A.M.**

8. **Karen Supczak** – Residential Supervisor, Central West Region, DDS  
   - **Approved**; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

**GROUP 2 RECONSIDERATION TO BOARD**

1. **Susan Olson** – RN 2, Tewksbury Hospital, DPH (Denied February 2018)  
   - **Reconsideration**; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.  
   - **Approved**; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.
ERIP RECONSIDERATION (Group 1) TO BOARD

1. **Alba Passerini** – HSC A/B (ERIP request denied June 2015) – Attorney Benjamin Knox Steffans appeared on behalf of his client, Ms. Passerini, before the Board.
   - **Denied**; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Deal.

GROUP 2 RECONSIDERATION HSC/AB POSITIONS TO BOARD

1. **Ellen Pratte** – HSC A/B, Fall River Area Office, DDS
   (Denied April 2017, Denied at DALA August 2017)
   - **Reconsidered**; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Deal.
   - **Approved**; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Deal.

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

1. **Thomas Bartini**
   **MA Trial Court**
   Per Diem Court Officer – 2/1/86 – 6/30/87
   Court Officer – 7/1/87 – 1/31/93
   Probation Officer – 2/1/93 – 11/11/96

2. **Richard Bissell**
   **Department of Developmental Services**
   RN 2 – Glavin Regional – 5/5/02 – 2/3/07
   RN 2 – Wrentham Developmental Ctr. – 2/4/07 – 12/3/07
   RN 2 – Glavin Regional – 12/9/07 – 10/4/08
   RN 2 – Central West Region – 4/4/10 – 6/4/11
   RN 2 – Wrentham Developmental Ctr. – 6/5/11 – 6/25/11
   RN 2 – Central Residential Services - 6/26/11 – 3/8/14

3. **Bruce Gelb**
   **Department of Correction**
   Director of Security – 12/18/94 – 7/13/02

4. **Lizabeth Paradela**
   **Dept of Public Health - Lemuel Shattuck**
   RN 1 - 12/15/86 – 9/17/88
   RN 2 – 9/18/88 – 2/28/94

5. **Sarah Maria**
   **UMASS Medical School**
   RN Supervisor – 9/15/08 – 1/21/12
GROUP 2 PRO RATES TO BOARD

1. Daniel Calis  
   **Department of Correction**  
   Superintendent – Bridgewater State Hospital  
   11/20/15 – 2/11/2017  
   - **Approved**: Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

2. Bruce Gelb  
   **Department of Correction**  
   Deputy Superintendent – 7/14/02 – 7/16/11  
   Superintendent – 7/17/11 – 5/14/16  
   - **Approved**: Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

3. Lizabeth Paradela  
   **Dept of Public Health-Lemuel Shattuck**  
   RN 3 – 8/1/99 – 7/7/02  
   - **Denied**: Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Mr. Valeri.

HSC A/B PRO RATE REQUEST TO BOARD

1. Elodie Carey  
   **Department of Developmental Services**  
   HSC A/B, Metro Region - 6/28/87 – 9/2/94  
   HSC A/B – 2/7/99 – N.E. Region - 7/1/01  
   - **Approved**: Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

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

1. Rebeeca Donahue – CO 2, DOC
2. Robert Donoghue – Field Parole Officer A/B, MA Parole Board
3. Francis Garcia – CO I, DOC
4. Paul Gonzales – Industrial Instructor 3, DOC
5. Elin Graydon – Asst. District Attorney, Essex DA’s Office
6. Robert Jackson – Field Parole Officer C, MA Parole Board
7. Michael Kimball – CO, Plymouth County Sheriff’s Department
8. Ryan Levy – Industrial Instructor I, DOC
9. Eligid Lizardo – CO I, DOC
10. Chris McNamara – CO/Sergeant, Suffolk County Sheriff’s Department
11. John Murphy – Captain, Bristol County Sheriff’s Department
12. Michael Nionakis – Assistant Deputy Superintendent, Middlesex Sheriff’s Office
13. Scott O' Donnell – CO, Middlesex Sheriff’s Office
14. Jeffrey Roy – CO 1, DOC
15. Gregg Sanborn – CO, Middlesex Sheriff’s Office
16. Martin Seapa – CO 2, DOC
17. Vincent Sequeira – CO 1, DOC
18. Glenn Shanahan – CO 3, DOC
19. Dorine Williams – CO 1, DOC

GROUP 4 TABLED

1. Peter Guilbeault – Industrial Instructor 3, DOC- (Tabled February 2018)
   - Approved; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

2. George Burgoyne – Installation Security Officer, MA Military Division
   (tabled December 2017)
   - Denied; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Mr. Valeri.

3. Kenneth Kleis – Program Coordinator I/HVAC, 104th. Fighter Wing, Military Division
   (tabled October 2017)
   - Denied; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Mr. Valeri.

GROUP 4 RECONSIDERATION

1. Kathleen Bergdoll – CO/Fitness Trainer 2, Hampden County Sheriff’s Department
   (posthumous) – (Denied Group 4, Approved Group 2 in February 2018)
   - Tabled; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

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

1. Daniel Calis
   Department of Correction
   CO 1 – 1/2/83 – 9/9/89
   CO 2 – 9/10/89 – 11/4/95
   Captain – 11/5/95 – 1/25/03

2. Bruce Gelb
   Department of Correction
   CO 1 – 3/20/83 – 11/8/86

GROUP 4 CPO PRO RATE REQUEST TO BOARD

1. Michelle Butler, Department of Correction
   Correctional Program Officer – 7/6/86 – 7/1/95
   - Approved; Motion by Mr. Valeri, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

March 2018
Pursuant to the Board’s Classification Policy the following are reported as approved for 20/50 Classification:

1. Michael Cormier – CO 3, DOC
2. Frank Ferreira – CO I, DOC
3. Brian Greener – CO, DOC
4. Gregory Roberts – Jail Officer/Sergeant, Suffolk County Sheriff’s Department
5. Kevin Vacher – CO I, DOC

20/50 TO BOARD

1. Ronald Galante – CO/Specialist Plumber, Norfolk County Sheriff’s Office
   •  Approved; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

ON A MOTION BY MR. VALERI AND SECONDED BY MS. MCGOLDRICK, THE BOARD VOTED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 12:29 P.M.

Deborah B. Goldberg, Treasurer / Chair (Participated Remotely)

Theresa McGoldrick, Elected Member

Francis Valeri, Elected Member

Patricia Deal, Elected Member / Acting Chair

THE NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF RETIREMENT WILL BE HELD ON Thursday, April 26, 2018 AT 10:00 AM.

Documents Used at the State Board of Retirement Meeting of March 29, 2018

- Agenda for March 29, 2018 Board meeting.
- Open Session and Executive Session Minutes of February 22, 2018 Board meeting.

Supporting documentation for Agenda items as referenced therein.