MINUTES FOR THE 1203rd BOARD MEETING
STATE BOARD OF RETIREMENT

DATE: April 26, 2018 
TIME: 10:01 A.M.

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

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; James MacDonald, First Deputy Treasurer, Theresa McGoldrick, Elected Member; Francis Valeri, Elected Member; Patricia Deal, Appointed Member; Archie Gormley, Chosen Member.

Board staff present for all or part of the meeting were: Nicola Favorito, Deputy Treasurer/Executive Director; Melinda Troy, Senior Board Counsel; Kathryn Doty, Associate Board Counsel; Candace Hodge, Associate Board Counsel; Julie Noyes, Paralegal; Paula Daddona, Communications Coordinator; Janice Coen, Executive Assistant / Office Manager; Mohammed Ali, Finance Director; Laura Prezioso, Finance Manager; Pamela Forde, Service Purchase Unit.

Treasury staff present for all or part of the meeting were: Sarah Kim, Treasury General Counsel; Daniel Truong, Treasury Communications; Gregory Polin, Associate Treasury General Counsel; Michael Bergquist, Treasurer’s Office; Pratap Modapothala, MARIS Program Manager.

Other parties in attendance for all or part of the meeting were: John Malone, Gartner Consulting; Manoj Punwani, Sagitec; Eric Choi, Massachusetts State Police.

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

Mr. MacDonald 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 he was obligated to inform attendees of any recording at the beginning of the meeting. He 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 1202nd 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 1202nd Board Meeting, held on March 29, 2018.

ON THE ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Mr. MacDonald 
Ms. McGoldrick 
Ms. Deal
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. Favorito indicated the completion of the April pension payroll and the weekly disbursement warrants were successful. 298 new first payees were added this month including 237 new retirees.

Mr. Modapothala highlighted that since the last Board meeting the MSRB had issued the 2018 BVF file to the mailing vendor through MARIS. Work was continuing toward completion of various work streams including §3(8)(c) payments; finance annual processes / reporting; member annual statements

Mr. Favorito informed the Board that a candidate had accepted the offer to become the MSRB Manager of Information Systems. She would be starting May 14, 2018.

Mr. Favorito reminded the Board that 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 due to Sagitec’s support contract ending June 30, 2018. An SOW was being developed for use either in negotiations with Sagitec or as a template from any potential RFR that might be required. To accomplish this work Gartner was willing to provide additional services to its ongoing contract. An amendment was being finalized for these services. No new funds would be needed as the funding would come from FY’18 capital budget savings. Mr. Favorito requested the Board for authority for the staff to complete the amendment to the contract for an amount not to exceed $155,000.

On a motion by Ms. McGoldrick and seconded by Ms. Deal the Board voted unanimously to approve the continued work on the proposed contract amendment for an amount not to exceed $155,000.

2. **YTD Fiscal 2018 Operating & Capital Budgets**

Mr. Favorito referred the Board to the YTD Fiscal 2018 Operating and Capital Budgets vs. actuals (through March 31, 2018) which had been handed out as part of the Agenda materials.

3. **Proposed FY 2019 Operating & Capital Spending Plans**

Mr. Favorito directed the Board’s attention to the summary memos and draft spending plans prepared by the MSRB’s Finance Unit. He recognized the efforts of Mr. Ali and Ms. Prezioso in compiling the materials.
The operational spending plan was taking into consideration a possible expansion of the MSRB to part of the 7th floor in One Winter Street. Should this occur the proposed spending plan reflected an 8.82% increase over FY’18. Otherwise the increase would be just under 4.98% due to factors including expected additional staff positions, an increase in the fringe benefit cost issued by the Comptroller, the offsite hosting of the MSRB’s Unisys computer system presently hosted by Treasury, and funding being set aside for a post-implementation audit related to MARIS.

The capital spending plan reflected a 7.69% decrease over FY’ 2018 due to ongoing reductions in contracted staff and the conclusion of several work streams related to the MARIS implementation.

On a motion by Ms. Deal and seconded by Ms. McGoldrick the Board voted unanimously to approve the proposed FY’19 operational spending plan as presented and submit it to the Legislature pursuant to G.L. c.32, §22(7)(a).

On a motion by Ms. McGoldrick and seconded by Ms. Deal the Board voted unanimously to approve the proposed FY’19 capital spending plan as presented and submit it to the Legislature pursuant to G.L. c.32, §22(7)(a).

Treasurer Goldberg & Mr. Valeri arrived; the Board stood in recess

At this point in the meeting the Treasurer swore into office Archie Gormley as the Fifth Member and welcomed him. The Board then resumed with the remainder of the agenda.

4. Benefit Verification Update

Mr. Favorito noted that the first mailing of 2018 Benefit Verification Forms to all retirees were issued on / about April 11, 2018 with a return date of May 25, 2108. The second and third mailings will occur later in the summer and early fall.

5. 2018 MSERS Actuarial Valuation – Investment Return Assumption

Mr. Favorito referred the Board to the notice received from PERAC indicating its decision to reduce the investment return assumption for the January 1, 2018 valuation from 7.5 to 7.35%. Staff were continuing to work on questions from the State Actuary related to the active and retiree data that had been submitted for the valuation.

6. Vernava Decision Implementation (PERAC Memo #17)

Mr. Favorito apprised the Board of the recent guidance issued by PERAC after the Vernava decision. He highlighted the impact on the Board’s employer reporting unit as a result of retirement deductions from members receiving worker’s compensation benefits and also the potential impact on disability retirees, the effective date of their benefits and offsets to benefits previously received.
7. **House Bill 4400 (House Ways & Means Budget – FY ’19)**

Mr. Favorito summarized recent developments regarding the proposed FY’19 House budget and the status of the several amendments pertaining to c.32.

He also took the opportunity to inform the Board the MSRB had been contacted by Senate Ways & Means related to a proposed amendment to a pending FY’18 supplemental budget bill that would seek to provide a retirement incentive to some thirty Trial Court Reporters whose positions were being eliminated as of June 30, 2018. The MSRB had provided technical feedback to the Committee staff.

8. **State Police Troop F – Payroll Reporting Change**

Mr. Favorito notified the Board that as they may have been aware the employer reporting for approximately 122 State Police personnel assigned to Troop F was being converted from MassPort and to the HRCMS payroll reporting system. Board staff had been participating in ongoing discussions with the related agencies. The first payroll using HRCMS was expected to be at the start of June 2018.

9. **PRIM Update**

The Board reviewed the monthly investment performance information provided by PRIM through the month of March 2018.

10. **Legal Update**

Mr. Favorito referred the Board to the memo prepared by the MSRB’s Legal Unit summarizing recent court and DALA/CRAB decisions that had been received over the past month.

11. **Board Education – MACRS Conference** (June 4-6, 2018 – Hyannis)

The preliminary agenda for the upcoming conference was distributed to the Board.

**THE BOARD GOES INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.** At approximately 10:55 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. McGoldrick seconded the motion.
ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

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BOARD RETURNS TO OPEN SESSION
(Roll call required)

THE BOARD COMES OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION: at 12:05 P.M. Ms. McGoldrick made a motion to come out of Executive Session and return to Open Session. Mr. Valeri seconded the motion.

ON ROLL CALL THE VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

Mr. MacDonald  Yes
Ms. McGoldrick  Yes
Ms. Deal  Yes
Mr. Valeri  Yes
Mr. Gormley  Yes

(Unless otherwise noted all votes taken are unanimous.)
Motion to Add an Item to the Agenda
  • Approved; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Mr. Gormley.

REQUEST TO CHANGE RETIREMENT DATE

1. Joseph Caliri
   • Approved; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

REQUEST TO PURCHASE CREDITABLE SERVICE

1. Carol Hansen
   • Denied; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick. Mr. MacDonald abstained from the vote.

2. Cherylann Murray
   • Denied; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal. Mr. MacDonald abstained from the vote.

3. Peter Royer
   • Denied; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick. Mr. MacDonald abstained from the vote.

REQUEST TO PURCHASE CONTRACT SERVICE

1. Eileen Harrington
   • Denied; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal. Mr. MacDonald abstained from the vote.

ANTI-SPIKING

1. Varsha Kukafka
   • Denied; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Mr. MacDonald. Mr. Valeri and Ms. McGoldrick abstained from the vote.

REQUEST TO CHANGE RETIREMENT DATE

2. Linda Francis
   • Tabled; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.
GROUP CLASSIFICATIONS

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

1. **Ewald Apel** – MHW 4, Tewksbury State Hospital, DMH
2. **John Arnold** – Court Officer 3, MA Trial Court
3. **Shirley Benedetti** – Physical Therapist Aide, Pappas Rehab. For Children, DPH
4. **William Burgess** – Court Officer 3, MA Trial Court
5. **Debra Burke** – Instructional Aide, Shore Educational Collaborative
6. **Raymond Casey** – RN 2, Taunton State Hospital, DMH
7. **Suzanne Chuchian** – Clinical Social Worker D, Worcester Recovery Center, DMH
8. **Rachel Cohen** – Social Worker 3, DCF (deferred)
9. **Jeanne Desmarais** – Asst. Chief Court Officer, MA Trial Court
10. **Morgan Enders** – MHW 4, Worcester Recovery Center, DMH
11. **Mark Gatewood** – MHW 3, Taunton State Hospital, DMH
12. **Rene Gonzalez** – Assistant Steward, Bristol County Sheriff’s Office
13. **Mary Green** – Social Worker 3, DCF
14. **William Halford** – Court Officer 3, MA Trial Court
15. **Patricia Hartung** – Transitional Aide, Valley Collaborative
16. **Patrick Kalagher** – Head Chef, Worcester County Sheriff’s Department
17. **John Kane** – Rehabilitation Counselor A/B, DMH
18. **Tina Knox** – LPN Pappas Rehabilitation Hospital, DPH
19. **James Martin** – RN 3, Tewksbury Hospital, DMH
20. **Kyle McMillan** – Court Officer 3, MA Trial Court
21. **Cherylann Murray** – Paraprofessional 2, Collaborative for Educational Services
22. **Andrea Occhipinti** – Probation Officer 2, MA Trial Court
23. **Mary Santos** – Chief Probation Officer, MA Trial Court
24. **Brian Shelasky** – Social Worker 3, DCF
25. **Mark Sullivan** – District Engineering Inspector 3, Department of Fire Services
26. **Shelley Washitz** – Asst. Chief Probation Officer, MA Trial Court
27. **Gail Weinberg-Kraus** – Probation Officer 2, MA Trial Court
28. **Ian Wilson** – Court Officer 2, MA Trial Court

GROUP 2 TO BOARD

1. **Joseph DaGama** – Maintenance Equipment Officer 2, MA DOT Highway Division
   - Denied; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

2. **Bruce Frazer** – HSC D, New Bedford Site Office, DMH
   - Denied; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

3. **Susan Larsen** – Director of Education/Adult Education Facilitator, Dukes County
• **Approved;** Motion by Mr. Valeri, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

4. **Michael Orlandi** – Assistant Court Services Coordinator, Office of Community Corrections
   • **Denied;** Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

5. **Richard Paris** – Compliance Officer 3, Division of Professional Licensure
   • **Denied;** Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Mr. MacDonald. Ms. McGoldrick abstained.

6. **Ann Rocheleau** – Psychological Assist. 3, Templeton Developmental Center, DDS
   • **Denied;** Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

7. **Cathleen Tobyne** – Program Coordinator 2/Physical Therapy Asst., Hogan Regional, DDS
   • **Tabled;** Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

8. **Richard Waterfield** – Radio Technician, Barnstable County Sheriff’s Office
   • **Denied;** Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

9. **William Watson** – Telecommunicator/Fire Signal Operator, Barnstable County Sheriff
   • **Tabled;** Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Gormley.

**GROUP 2 RECONSIDERATION TO BOARD**

1. **Linda McLennan** – Clinical Social Worker C, Tewksbury State Hospital, DPH (denied April 2014)
   • **Reconsidered;** Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.
   • **Approved;** Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

2. **Eileen Phillips** – Lab Technician, Wrentham Developmental Center, DDS (Denied January 2018)
   • **Denied;** Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Valeri.

3. **Virginia Somers** – Residential Supervisor C, Brockton Multi Service Center, DDS (Denied February 2018)
   • **Reconsidered;** Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.
   • **Approved;** Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick. Mr. MacDonald abstained from the vote.

**Discussion**

1. **Christine Harrington** – HSC C, Merrimack Valley Area, DDS (Denied August 2017, Reconsideration Denied December 2017)
GROUP 2 HSC A/B TO BOARD (CURRENT)

1. **Janine Carleton** – HSC A/B, Central MA Area, DMH (posthumous)
   - **Approved;** Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Gormley.

GROUP 2 RECONSIDERATIONS HSC A/B POSITIONS TO BOARD

1. **Nancy Arruda-Nary** – HSC A/B, Fall River Area, DDS (Denied March 2017)
   - **Reconsidered;** Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Gormley.
   - **Approved;** Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Valeri.

2. **Margaret Hayes** – HSC A/B, SE Region, DDS (Denied December 2016)
   - **Reconsidered;** Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Gormley.
   - **Approved;** Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Valeri.

3. **Assuncao Roxo** – HSC A/B, Central West Region, DDS (Denied December 2016)
   - **Reconsidered;** Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Gormley.
   - **Approved;** Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Valeri.

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

1. **Daniel Calis**
   - **Department of Correction**
     Director of Security – 1/26/03 – 5/7/05
     Deputy Superintendent – 5/8/05 – 11/19/15

2. **Brian Dziokonski**
   - **Department of Mental Health**
     Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant
     Westborough State Hospital – 6/15/86 – 9/5/87

3. **Marisc Halle Dargie**
   - **Department of Children & Families**
     Social Worker I – 3/24/85 – 1/24/87
     Social Worker 3 – 1/25/87 – 9/7/02

4. **Richard Paris**
   - **Woburn Public Schools**
     Maintenance/Electrician – 11/19/01 – 11/30/02

5. **Rosemary Saccomani**
   - **MA Trial Court**
     Junior Parole Officer – 6/9/85 – 4/9/88
6. **Mary Strojny**  
**Department of Developmental Services**  
(Wrentham Developmental Center)  
DSW 1 – 10/28/79 – 10/31/86  
DSW 2 – 11/1/86 – 11/29/86  
DSW 1 – 11/30/86 – 9/8/89  
Recreational Therapist I – 1/7/90 – 8/28/10

**GROUP 2 PRO RATE TO BOARD**

1. **Mary Strojny**  
**Department of Developmental Services**  
(Wrentham Developmental Center)  
Special Service Asst. – 9/9/89 – 1/6/90  
Recreational Therapist 3 – 8/29/10 – 1/26/13  
- Denied; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

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

1. **Edward Alinkowitz** – CO 3, DOC  
2. **Michael Aucoin** – CO 1, DOC  
3. **John Bemis** – CO/Lieutenant, Suffolk County Sheriff’s Dept.  
4. **Christian Berard** – CO 2, DOC  
5. **Jerome Bonavita** – CO 1, DOC  
6. **Edward Bouley** – CO/Lieutenant, Bristol County Sheriff’s Dept.  
7. **Joseph Bovlan** – CO 1, DOC  
8. **David Camacho** – CO 1, DOC  
9. **Philip Cardoza** – CO 1, DOC  
10. **Brett Childs** – Firefighter/LT EMT, Military Division  
11. **Frank Crosby** – CO/Deputy Sheriff, Worcester County Sheriff’s Dept.  
12. **Amilcar Cruz** – Captain, Plymouth County Sheriff’s Dept.  
13. **Daniel Cureton** – CO, Middlesex Sheriff’s Office  
14. **Timothy Daury** – CO, Berkshire Sheriff’s Dept.  
15. **Lorna Edgar** – CO/Lead Counselor, Hampden County Sheriff’s Dept.  
16. **Benedict Fiasconado** – Jail Officer, Suffolk County Sheriff’s Dept.  
17. **Patrick Griffin** – CO, DOC  
18. **Richard Hasbrouck** – CO 3. DOC (posthumous)  
19. **Robert Hodgen** – CO/Captain, Hampshire County Sheriff’s Dept.  
20. **Gerard Horgan** – Superintendent, Norfolk Sheriff’s Office  
21. **Philip Kennedy** – Captain, Berkshire County Sheriff’s Dept.  
22. **Thomas LeBlanc** – CO 1, DOC  
23. **Joseph Lopez** – CO, Worcester County Sheriff’s Dept.  
24. **Steven Martin** – CO 2, DOC
25. **Robert McCarthy** – Supervising CO, Middlesex Sheriff’s Office
26. **William Mellen** – CO I, DOC
27. **James Millis** – Jail Officer, Suffolk County Sheriff’s Dept.
28. **Paul Ouellette** – CO I, DOC
29. **Mark Ouimet** – CO/Sergeant, Hampden County Sheriff’s Dept. (Posthumous)
30. **Jose Pimentel** – CO, Bristol County Sheriff’s Dept.
31. **Bruce Pires** – Recreation Officer 2, DOC
32. **Orlando Robles** – CO I, MA Treatment Center, DOC
33. **Brian Springer** – CO I, DOC
34. **Donald Stuart** – CO 2, DOC (posthumous)
35. **William Sullivan** – Senior Co, Middlesex Sheriff’s Office
36. **Michael Talluto** – Jail Officer/Sergeant, Suffolk County Sheriff’s Dept.

**GROUP 4 TO BOARD**

1. **Lisa LeTourneau** – Administrative Asst./State Use Industries, DOC
   - Denied **Group 4 classification**; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.
   - Approved **Group 2 classification**; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

2. **Steven Lyons** – CO/Maintenance, Plymouth County Sheriff’s Dept.
   - Denied; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Mr. Valeri.

**GROUP 4 RECONSIDERATION TO BOARD**

1. **Kathleen Bergdoll** – CO/Fitness Trainer 2, Hampden County Sheriff’s Department (Posthumous)-(Denied Group 4, Approved Group 2 February 2018)
   - Reconsidered; Motion by Mr. Valeri, seconded by Mr. Gormley.
   - Approved; Motion by Mr. Valeri, seconded by Ms. McGoldrick.

2. **Jeremy Silverfine** – Assistant DA, Suffolk D.A.’s Office (Denied September 2012)
   - Reconsidered; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Mr. Valeri.
   - Approved; Motion by Ms. McGoldrick, seconded by Ms. Deal.

**GROUP 4 CPO REQUESTS TO BOARD**

1. **William Dupre** – Correctional Program Officer D, DOC
   - Approved; Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Mr. Valeri.
2. **Joseph Murphy** – Correction Program Officer, DOC
   - **Approved**: Motion by Ms. Deal, seconded by Mr. Valeri.

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

1. **Raymond Petrone**
   - **Worcester Sheriff's Department**
   - CO – 9/16/83 – 8/3/85

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

1. **Robert Bassett** – CO I, DOC
2. **Jason Chorches** – CO, Barnstable Sheriff's Office
3. **Jason Ebacher** – Asst. CO/Senior CO, Essex County Sheriff's Dept.
4. **Peter Forges** – CO/Chef, DOC
5. **Jason Hakkiia** – Sergeant/CO, Hampshire Sheriff's Office
6. **Marc Lapierre** – Asst. Deputy Superintendent/CO, Worcester County Sheriff's Office
7. **Joseph Reid** – Jail Officer/Sergeant, Suffolk County Sheriff's Dept.

**ON A MOTION BY MS. DEAL AND SECONDED BY MR. VALERI THE BOARD VOTED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 12:54 P.M.**

Deborah B. Goldberg, Treasurer / Chair

James MacDonald, Deputy Treasurer / Designee

Theresa McGoldrick, Elected Member

Francis Valeri, Elected Member

Patricia Deal, Elected Member

Archibald Gormley, Jr., Chosen Member
THE NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE STATE BOARD OF RETIREMENT WILL BE HELD ON Thursday, May 31, 2018 AT 10:00 AM.

Documents Used at the State Board of Retirement Meeting of April 26, 2018

- Agenda for April 26, 2018 Board meeting.
- Open Session and Executive Session Minutes of March 29, 2018 Board meeting.

Supporting documentation for Agenda items as referenced therein.