A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, September 25, 2020, at the Office of the State Comptroller, 165 Capitol Ave., Hartford, Connecticut, 06106. Circumstances created by the COVID-19 virus have resulted in all Medical Examining Board meetings are being conducted electronically.

PRESENT:
Richard Blum, M.D., CHAIRPERSON
Marianne Wudarsky, M.D.
Frank Gerratana, M.D.

ABSENT:
J. Robert Galvin
Lynn Rudich, M.D. Dr. Ralph Rosenberg, M.D.
Michael Gerstenfield, M.D. Fielding Johnson, M.D.
Sheldon Nova, M.D. Sachin Parekh, M.D.
So Sokpoleak, M.D. Nicolai Lieders, M.D.
Manny Katsetos, M.D. Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.
Amarjeet Dargan, M.D. Eric T. Shore, M.D.
Debra Pollack, M.D.

OTHERS PRESENT:
Colin Newman, Assistant Director Retirement Division
Annette Sadlowski, Disability Retirement Division
Cindy Cieslak, General Counsel to the Commission Rose Kallor, LLP.

Please note that a portion of the meeting was conducted in executive session as the focus of the meeting was the medical condition(s) of each Disability Retirement applicant.

CALL TO ORDER

The Chairperson called meeting to order at 9:03 am.

Dr. Blum motioned to go into the Executive Session to discuss medical condition(s) related to the applications for Disability Retirement, seconded by Dr. Gerratana at 9:04 am. Members of the Retirement Services Division and the General Counsel to the Commission were invited to stay during Executive Session.

1. Barbarellen Olson and Attorney Justin Raymond appeared before the Board at 10:56 am. They made statements, and then they were excused by the Board at 11:15 am.

Dr. Gerratana motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky at 12:05 pm.
JEFFREY BARRETT  D- 13021  SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to deny Jeffrey Barrett's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board would look favorably upon Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JEREMY BUSA  MD- 1623  SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Jeremy Busa's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PETER CASEY  D- 13049  NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Peter Casey's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JAMES CONLEY  D- 13009  SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny James Conley's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

DIANE CORBITT  D- 12951  NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Diane Corbitt's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GEORGE DENNING  D- 12992  SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny George Denning's entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board would look favorably upon Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

PHILLIPPIA FLETCHER-DENOVELLIS  D- 13005  SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Phillippia Fletcher-DeNovellis' entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

GARY HAMILTON  D- 13066  NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Gary Hamilton's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ROSEMARIE HENNESSEY  D- 12998  NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Rosemarie Hennessey's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JERALD JOHNS  D- 13032  NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Jerald Johns' entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

SUZANNE LAPRISE  D- 12970  CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Suzanne Laprise's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JACKIE MAHONEY  D- 12877  CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Jackie Mahoney's entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.
Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Beverly Murphy’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to deny Barbarellen Olson’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board would look favorably upon Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to deny Christine Pantanella’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board would look favorably upon Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Chester Seklecki’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Wudarsky, to approve Brian Sinclair’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Blum moved, seconded by Dr. Gerratana, to approve Laura Torres’ entitlement to a Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Wudarsky moved, seconded by Dr. Blum to adjourn the meeting at 12:15 pm. Motion approved unanimously.