A Meeting to the Medical Examining Board was held on Friday, May 1, 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:
Nikolai Lieders, M.D., CHAIRPERSON
Richard Blum, M.D.
J. Robert Galvin, M.D.

ABSENT:
Lynn Rudich, M.D.
Amarjeet Dargan, M.D.
Rita Ohene-Adjei, M.D.
Manny Katsetos, 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

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 9:06 am.

Dr. Lieders motioned to go into the Executive Session to discuss medical condition(s) related to the applications for Disability Retirement, seconded by Dr. Galvin at 9:06 am. Members of the Retirement Services Division and the General Counsel to the Commission were invited to stay during Executive Session.

Dr. Lieders motioned to come out of Executive Session, seconded by Dr. Blum at 11:34 am.

TIMOTHY BELMONTE   MD- 1612                    NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to approve Timothy Belmonte’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

RONALD BROWN    D- 12178                    NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to approve Ronald Brown’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.
YOLANDA CRUZ  D- 12923  SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Yolanda Cruz’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

TAMARA CUNNINGHAM  D- 12629  CHANGE TO NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, approve Tamara Cunningham’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

TRACY CURRY  D- 12857  SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to deny Tracy Curry’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MISTY DELCIAMPO  D- 12812  SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to approve Misty DelCiampo’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

LISA DESJARDINS  D- 12902  NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to deny Lisa Desjardins’ entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

VERNON DOZIER  MD- 1228  NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to deny Vernon Dozier’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ANGEL ECHEVARRIA  D- 12913  NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Angel Echevarria’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

JODI ERDOS  D- 12850  NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Jodi Erdos’ entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

KELLY FISHER  D- 12835  SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Kelly Fisher’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MARY FUNARI  D- 12872  SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Mary Funari’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

MAYRA HOLBROOK  D- 12859  SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Mayra Holbrook’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ALBERT HORVATH  D- 12810  NON-SERVICE CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Albert Horvath’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Lori Inman’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to table William Kenney’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Frances Leonard’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to approve Tracy Lovell’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to deny Michael Papacoda, Jr.’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement, however the Board would look favorably upon Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Roger Pietras’ entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Galvin, to table Carmen Ramos’ entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to approve Roberto Rodrigues’ entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to approve Lee Siuzdak’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Norma Taylor-Preston’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to approve Ismael Toledo’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Alfred Vaillancourt, Jr.’s entitlement to Non-Service Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.
GINA VALENTE                     D- 12579                    SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to approve Gina Valente’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

BEVERLY WATSON                    MD- 1610                    SERVICE-CONNECTED
Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum, to deny Beverly Watson’s entitlement to Service-Connected Retirement. Motion approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

Dr. Lieders moved, seconded by Dr. Blum to adjourn the meeting at 11:44 am. Motion approved unanimously.