

## GENERAL SESSION AGENDA BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2019, 10:00 A.M.

#### 1. MOTION

TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSED MINUTES OF THE JULY 17, 2019 BOARD MEETING

- 2. STANDING REPORT(S)
  - A. REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & CEO ERIC MADOFF
    - 1) TRIBUTE TO ROBERT SAMMONS, DIRECTOR OF CLAIMS BUSINESS OPERATIONS
  - B. REPORT OF ACTING GENERAL ATTORNEY PETER CUSICK
- 3. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE(S)
  - A. GOVERNANCE & LEGAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE: CHAIR NATHAALIE CAREY
  - B. INVESTMENT COMMITTEE: CHAIRMAN KENNETH THEOBALDS
  - C. PROPERTY & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE: CHAIRMAN KENNETH THEOBALDS
- 4. MOTION

TO ACCEPT THE WRITTEN REPORTS AS SUBMITTED

- 5. EXECUTIVE SESSION (IF NECESSARY)
- 6. ADJOURN

# PROPOSED MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE INSURANCE FUND HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 2019 AT 4:00 P.M.

AT 199 Church Street, 12th floor Board Room, New York, New York 10007

#### **PRESENT**

Board

Kenneth Theobalds, Chairman <sup>1</sup>

Barry Swidler, Vice Chair

Alexis Thomas <sup>1</sup>
Bhakti Mirchandani
Charles MacLeod <sup>3</sup>
Dennis Kessler <sup>2</sup>
Louis Roberti <sup>1</sup>
Navneet Kathuria

Ryan Delgado

Sean Graham

Nathaalie Carey, ex officio

**Executive Staff** 

Eric Madoff, Executive Director & CEO

Shirley Stark, Deputy Executive Director & Chief of Staff

Robert Sammons, Asst. Deputy Executive Director

Gregory Francis, Chief Investment Officer

Joseph Mullen, Director of Policy Holder Services

Lori Fraser, Director of Contact Center

Melissa Jensen, Director of Executive Project Mgmt. Office

Patricia Carroll, Director of Administration

Peter Cusick, Acting General Attorney & Deputy Counsel

Timothy Koester, Chief Actuary

William Gratrix, Chief Financial Officer

#### Additional Staff/Attendees

Michael Totaro, Asst. Counsel & Asst. Secretary to the Board

Shelford John, Asst. Director of Field Services

Steven Bell, Director of Underwriting Tina Christiano, Director of Field Services

Niall O'Hegarty, Deputy Secretary - NYS Governor's Office

Tanisha Edwards, Asst. Counsel - NYS Governor's Office

Doug Pinckney, Pinckney Hugo Group

Vice Chair Swidler presided. A quorum was announced and present throughout the meeting. For the record, Chairman Theobalds and Commissioners Roberti and Thomas were unable to attend the July 17<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. Their absences were excused.

Vice Chair Swidler introduced and welcomed Deputy Secretary Niall O'Hegarty and Assistant Counsel Tanisha Edwards from the Governor's Office.

Vice Chair Swidler then introduced the Board's newest members, Bhakti Mirchandani and Sean Graham. Commissioner Mirchandani is a Managing Director at FCLTGlobal, and Commissioner Graham is a Senior Investment Officer at Cornell University.

Vice Chair Swidler expressed appreciation to former Commissioner David Ourlicht for his outstanding leadership as Chair of the Investment Committee and his dedicated service on the Board.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> not present at the July 17<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> participated via webcast from Rochester

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> participated via webcast from Melville

#### 1. Minutes of the June 19, 2019 Board Meeting

Upon motion by Commissioner Kathuria, duly seconded by Commissioner MacLeod, the Board unanimously voted that the minutes of the June 19<sup>th</sup> Board meeting be accepted and filed as the official minutes of the Board of Commissioners. The vote: Commissioner Carey – yes; Commissioner Graham – absent; Commissioner Delgado – yes; Commissioner Kathuria – yes; Commissioner Kessler – yes; Commissioner MacLeod – yes; Commissioner Mirchandani – yes; Vice Chair Swidler – yes.

#### 2. Standing Report(s)

#### Report of Executive Director & CEO Eric Madoff

Executive Director and CEO Eric Madoff reserved his report for Executive Session, subject to a motion to enter Executive Session, for a discussion regarding a particular policyholder.

#### Report of Director Policy Holder Services Joseph Mullen

Director of Policyholder Services Joseph Mullen introduced NYSIF's recent promotions in the Field Services Department:

- Shelford John was appointed Assistant Director of Field Services
- o Tina Christiano was appointed Director of Field Services

#### Acting General Attorney Peter Cusick

Acting General Attorney Peter Cusick deferred his report for Executive Session for the purpose of legal advice.

#### 3. Report(s) of Standing Committees

In the absence of Commissioner Roberti, Chair of the Business Operations Committee, Commissioner MacLeod reported that the committee met on July 15, 2019. He reserved his full report for Executive Session for a discussion regarding a particular policyholder.

In the absence of Chairman Theobalds, Commissioner MacLeod reported that the committee met on July 2, 2019. Commissioner MacLeod reserved his full report for Executive Session for a discussion regarding a particular corporation.

#### 4. Motion to Accept Written Reports

Upon motion by Commissioner Delgado, duly seconded by Commissioner Kathuria, the Board unanimously voted to accept the written reports as submitted. The vote: Commissioner Carey – yes; Commissioner Graham – yes; Commissioner Delgado – yes; Commissioner Kathuria – yes;

Commissioner Kessler – yes; Commissioner MacLeod – yes; Commissioner Mirchandani – yes; Vice Chair Swidler – yes.

#### 5. Executive Session

Upon motion by Commissioner Delgado, duly seconded by Commissioner Kathuria, the Board unanimously voted to enter Executive Session for a discussion regarding the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation - - specifically this applies to a particular policyholder, NYSIF's ongoing real estate projects; and for confidential legal advice with the Board and its Legal Counsel. The vote: Commissioner Carey – yes; Commissioner Graham – yes; Commissioner Delgado – yes; Commissioner Kathuria – yes; Commissioner Kessler – yes; Commissioner MacLeod – yes; Commissioner Mirchandani – yes; Vice Chair Swidler – yes.

#### 6. Return from Executive Session

Assistant Secretary Michael Totaro reported no actions taken in Executive Session.

The next regular meeting of the New York State Insurance Fund Board of Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, September 18, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at 199 Church Street, 12<sup>th</sup> floor Board Room.

#### 7. Adjournment of Meeting

Upon a final motion by Commissioner Delgado, duly seconded by Commissioner MacLeod, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the Board of Commissioners' regular meeting. The vote: Commissioner Carey – yes; Commissioner Graham – yes; Commissioner Delgado – yes; Commissioner Kathuria – yes; Commissioner Kessler – yes; Commissioner MacLeod – yes; Commissioner Mirchandani – yes; Vice Chair Swidler – yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Totaro, Assistant Secretary

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The NYSIF Board of Commissioners generally meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 10:00 a.m.– unless otherwise noted.

The Board does not convene during the month of August.

Revised: 2019-Aug-31



The following is a procedural vote considered by the Board of Commissioners of the New York State Insurance Fund at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 18, 2019. A quorum was present throughout:

A motion was made that the minutes of the July 17, 2019 meeting be accepted and filed as the official minutes of the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner	pr	provided the motion to approve							
Commissioner	seconded the motion								
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN						
Commissioner Carey									
Commissioner Delgado									
Commissioner Kathuria									
Commissioner MacLeod									
Commissioner Kessler									
Commissioner Roberti									
Commissioner Mirchandani									
Commissioner Thomas									
Commissioner Graham									
Vice Chair Swidler									
Chairman Theobalds									
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Motion to accept the written reports as submitted.

Commissioner	pı	provided the motion to approve					
Commissioner	seconded the motion						
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN				
Commissioner Carey							
Commissioner Delgado			·				
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The following is a procedural vote considered by the Board of Commissioners of the New York State Insurance Fund at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 18, 2019. A quorum was present throughout:

A motion was made to proceed into Executive Session for a discussion regarding the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation - specifically this applies to the appointment of outside legal counsel, NYSIF's General Attorney, Deputy Executive Director and Assistant Deputy Executive Director; and the appointment of a company to perform exterior repairs for NYSIF's Buffalo Office.

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Commissioner	seconde	seconded the motion							
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN						
Commissioner Carey									
Commissioner Delgado									
Commissioner Kathuria									
Commissioner MacLeod									
Commissioner Kessler									
Commissioner Roberti									
Commissioner Mirchandani									
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The following is a motion considered by the Board of Commissioners of the New York State Insurance Fund at a meeting held on Wednesday, September 18, 2019. A quorum was present throughout:

A motion was made to adjourn the Board of Commissioners of the New York State Insurance Fund regular monthly meeting.

Commissioner	provided t	_provided the motion to approve						
Commissioner	seconded the motion							
	YES NO	ABSTAIN						
Commissioner Carey								
Commissioner Delgado								
Commissioner Kathuria		_						
Commissioner MacLeod		_						
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		Michael Totaro Assistant Secretary						