A regular meeting of the Michigan State Employees' Retirement System Board was held at the State Secondary Complex, General Office Building, First Floor, Conference Room A, Lansing, Michigan, on December 9, 2010. The following members, staff and observers participated:

Members Present:	David Dekker, Employee Member Douglas Drake, Retiree Member George Elworth, representing the Attorney General Douglas Johnson, Retiree Member Vernon Johnson, representing the State Treasurer Daniel McLellan, representing the Director of Civil Service Craig Murray, representing the Deputy Auditor General John Schoonmaker, representing the Commissioner of the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation
Staff Present:	Phil Stoddard, Executive Secretary Terry Rideout, Recording Secretary
Others Present:	Frank Monticello of the Office of Attorney General; John Gnodtke of the Michigan Civil Service Commission; Randall Gregg of the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation; Laurie Hill and Kerrie Vanden Bosch from the Office of Retirement Services.

Call to Order

Chair Douglas Drake called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Daniel McLellan moved, Vernon Johnson supported, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Election of Vice Chair

George Elworth nominated Craig Murray for the Office of Vice Chair. There were no other nominations. A voice vote was taken unanimously approving Craig Murray for the Office of Vice Chair.

Approval of Minutes

John Schoonmaker moved, Daniel McLellan supported, to approve the regular session meeting minutes of October 21, 2010, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Introduction

John Schoonmaker introduced Randall Gregg as his replacement representing the Commissioner of the Office of Financial and Insurance Regulation on the Board. Daniel McLellan introduced John Gnodtke as his replacement representing the State Personnel Director on the Board.

Disability Retirement Applications

Non-Duty Disability Retirement Applications

Daniel McLellan moved, Vernon Johnson supported, to approve non-duty disability applications 1-11, as presented in the Supplemental Information to the Agenda, 8A. The motion carried unanimously.

Duty Disability Retirement Application

Douglas Johnson moved, Daniel McLellan supported to approve duty disability application 1 as presented in the Supplemental Information to the Agenda, 8B.

Administrative Hearings

George Elworth addressed the Board and stated that he would abstain from participation in any aspect of contested case items 9A – 9D on the agenda to prevent any appearance of bias in the Board's decisions.

Proposal for Decision – Docket 2010-6539 SERS

The Board considered the case materials. John Schoonmaker moved, Daniel McLellan supported, that the Board exclude from the administrative record the Healthlink Medical College of Wisconsin article. The motion carried with George Elworth abstaining.

Daniel McLellan moved, David Dekker supported that the Board adopt as its own the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the Proposal for Decision dated July 29, 2010, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and deny Petitioner's application for duty disability retirement benefits. The motion carried with George Elworth abstaining.

Proposal for Decision – Docket 2010-9243 SERS

The Board considered the case materials. David Dekker moved, Vernon Johnson supported, that the Board adopt as its own the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the Proposal for Decision dated September 17, 2010, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and deny Petitioner's application for duty disability retirement benefits. The motion carried with George Elworth abstaining.

Proposal for Decision – Docket 2010-29527 SERS

Daniel McLellan addressed the Board and stated he would abstain from participation on this case.

The Board considered the case materials. The Board did not act on Petitioner's motion that the Attorney General Board member representative recuse himself from this case because Mr. Elworth had earlier indicated his intent to abstain from participation.

Douglas Johnson moved, Vernon Johnson supported that the Board deny Petitioner's appeal of the Presiding Officer's refusal to subpoena the State's medical advisors to appear and be examined at the hearing. The motion carried with George Elworth and Daniel McLellan abstaining.

Vernon Johnson moved, Douglas Johnson supported that the Board adopt as its own the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the Proposal for Decision dated September 13, 2010, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and deny Petitioner's application for duty or non-duty disability retirement benefits. The motion carried with George Elworth and Daniel McLellan abstaining.

Proposal for Decision – Docket 2010-17547 SERS

The Board considered the case materials. David Dekker moved, Douglas Johnson supported, that the Board adopt as its own the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the Proposal for Decision dated August 24, 2010, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and deny Petitioner's application for non-duty disability retirement benefits. The motion carried with George Elworth abstaining.

New Business

Resolution on SERS Dependents

Following discussion, Daniel McLellan moved, John Schoonmaker supported to adopt the resolution with the correction of striking the word February from the eighth line and inserting August in its place. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolutions for Retiring Board Members

George Elworth moved, Craig Murray supported that the Board adopt the resolution for David Dekker as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Craig Murray moved, David Dekker supported that the Board adopt the resolution for Vernon Johnson as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Craig Murray moved, David Dekker supported that the Board adopt the resolution for Daniel McLellan as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Daniel McLellan moved, Vernon Johnson supported that the Board adopt the resolution for John Schoonmaker as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Legislative Report

A report was provided for the Board's information.

Executive Secretary Comments

Phil Stoddard thanked the Board for adopting the resolution that provides guidelines to staff on dependents insurance coverage for defined benefit retirees, and also provided a brief update on the health care trust lawsuits.

Board Comments

No additional comments were received

Public Comments

No comments were received.

Adjournment

John Schoonmaker moved, Daniel McLellan supported that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Chair

Executive Secretary