

A regular meeting of the **Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System Board** was held at the Stevens T. Mason Building, 530 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, Michigan, on Thursday, January 16, 2025. The following members, staff, and observers participated:

Members Present:

Glenda Booker, Active Classroom Teacher from the state's largest district
Katie Cihak, Representing Reporting Unit Board of Control
Michelle Dollis-Brady, Representing the General Public (Actuarial/Healthcare)
Liz Eastway, Vice Chair/Active or Retired Non-certified Educational Support
Mark Greathead, Representing School Superintendents
Brian Kwiatkowski, Active Classroom Teacher
James Pearson, Retiree Member
Kevin Philipps, Representing Finance/Operations, non-Superintendents
Timothy Raymer, Chair/Finance/Operations, Retirants, Member of largest
retirant organization
Brandon Way, Representing the General Public (Investments)

Staff Present: Anthony Estell, Executive Secretary
Joe Rauschenberger, Recording Secretary
Kathy Markman, Board Counsel, Attorney General's office

Call to Order

Chair Tim Raymer called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Excusing of Absent Members

Katie Cihak moved, Brian Kwiatkowski supported, to approve the excusing of absent members Dr. Patricia Chatman and Dr. Michele Harmala. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Agenda

Katie Cihak moved, Jim Pearson supported, to approve the January 16, 2025, agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Board Minutes

Katie Cihak moved, Kevin Philipps supported, to approve the November 7, 2024, meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

Informational Reports

- A. **Legislative Report** – There was no discussion on the report.
- B. **New Pension Recipients** – There was no discussion on the new pension recipients.
- C. **Special Report** – Management Report: Introducing Merative – There was no discussion on the special report.

New Business

A. Administrative Hearings

Proposal for Decision – Docket No. 24-004402

The Board considered the case materials. Kevin Philipps moved, and Liz Eastway supported, to table this case until the next meeting for further exploration. The motion carried unanimously.

Proposal for Decision – Docket No. 24-006000

The Board considered the case materials. Liz Eastway moved, and Katie Cihak supported, that the Board move to adopt as its own the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the November 13, 2024 PFD, and deny Petitioner's request for retroactive pension payments back to the date they first became eligible for retirement as MCL 38.1383(1) limits retroactive payments to 12 months before the month in which the application was filed with the retirement system. The motion carried unanimously.

Proposal for Decision – Docket No. 24-007244

The Board considered the case materials. Kevin Philipps moved, and Liz Eastway supported, that the Board move to reject the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the December 19, 2024 PFD, and deny Petitioner's request to revoke or change their retirement plan election. The motion carried unanimously.

Executive Secretary Comments

Executive Secretary Anthony Estell welcomed new board members Brandon Way, Michelle Dollis-Brady and Glenda Booker. Anthony also mentioned the next board meeting in March will include actuarial reports.

Board Comments

Chair Tim Raymer welcomed the new board members and thanked them for their willingness to serve.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

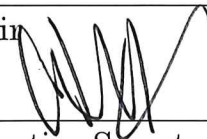
Adjournment

Mark Greathead moved, and Michelle Dollis-Brady supported, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously, and Chair Tim Raymer adjourned the meeting at 10:46 am.

OFFICIAL MINUTES



Chair



Executive Secretary