

A regular meeting of the State of Michigan Retirement Board was held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 16, 2023, at the Stevens T. Mason Building in Lansing, MI.

**Members Present:**

Dave Berridge, representing State Employees  
Lauri Schmidt, representing State Retirees  
Phil Thompson, representing the General Public  
Ann Marie Storberg, representing the State Treasurer  
Kurt Weiss, representing the State Personnel Director  
Lisa Geminick, representing the Attorney General  
Craig Murray, representing the Auditor General  
Capt. Felipe Torres, representing Michigan National Guard

**Staff Present:** Meg Skelley, Executive Secretary  
Nick Soucy, Recording Secretary

**Others Present:** Kathleen Markman of the Attorney General's Office,  
Joe Rauschenberger and Louise Gates from GRS

**Call to Order**

Chair Dave Berridge called the meeting to order at 1:37 p.m.

**Roll Call**

The Recording Secretary did roll call.

**Approval of Agenda, Excusing of Absent Members, and Approval of Minutes**

Lauri Schmidt moved, and Phil Thompson supported, to approve the agenda, to approve the last meeting's minutes and to excuse the absence of Judge Bowman. Craig Murray abstained on approving minutes since he had been absent at the August meeting. The motion carried.

**Informational Reports**

- A. **Legislative Report.** No discussion on this item.
- B. **Duty and Non-Duty Disability Case Summaries.** No discussion on these items.
- C. **New Pension Recipients.** No discussion on this item.

**New Business**

**A). Special Reports**

1. Louise Gates from GRS presented the SERS Experience Studies for Board members and answered their questions.

## B). Memos for Approval

1. Approval of Actuarial Assumptions (SERS)—Kurt Weiss moved, and Capt. Torres supported, that the Board accept the recommended Approval of Actuarial Assumptions for the State Employees' Retirement System, in accordance with today's presentation, and summarized in the memo from the ORS Executive Director, Anthony Estell, to the chairperson of the Board, Dave Berridge and DTMB Director Michelle Lange. The motion carried unanimously.

## C). Administrative Hearings

1. Proposal for Decision— Docket No. 22-001875-ORS

The board considered the case materials. Craig Murray moved, and Capt. Torres supported, that the Board moves to accept the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the September 29, 2023, PFD, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and deny the Petitioner's request for additional service credit during the months he reported no income, under MCL 38.1i and MCL 38.13a. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Proposal for Decision— Docket No. 22-001012-ORS

The board considered the case materials. Craig Murray moved, and Capt. Torres supported, that the Board moves to accept the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the September 19, 2023, PFD, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and deny the Petitioner's request for duty disability, under MCL 38.67a. The motion carried unanimously.

**Executive Secretary Comments** Executive Secretary Meg Skelley recognized that this was Phil Thompson's last SOMRB meeting and thanked him for his service to the board.

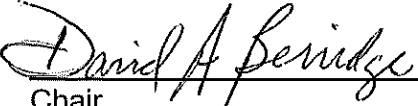
**Board Comments** Several Board members also thanked Phil and wished him well in retirement.


**Public Comments** There was no public comment.

## Adjournment

Phil Thompson moved, and Lauri Schmidt supported, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:28 p.m.

OFFICIAL MINUTES

  
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 Chair

  
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 Executive Secretary