



MINUTES

**Meeting of the Executive Committee
of the Board of Trustees of the
State Universities Retirement System
Friday, March 10, 2023, 12:00 p.m.
Via remote access only due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns**

The meeting on March 10, 2023, was conducted via video conference pursuant to Public Act 101-0640, the Governor's Disaster proclamation dated March 3, 2023, and Section 7(e) of the Open Meetings Act. The Chair of the SURS Board of Trustees, John Atkinson, determined that a full, in-person meeting was not practical nor prudent due to ongoing COVID-19 disaster concerns.

The following trustees were present: Mr. John Atkinson; Dr. Andriy Bodnaruk; Dr. Fred Giertz; Mr. Scott Hendrie; Mr. John Lyons; and Mr. Collin Van Meter.

Others present: Ms. Suzanne Mayer, Executive Director; Ms. Bianca Green, General Counsel; Ms. Kelly Carson, Executive Assistant; Mr. Michael Calabrese of Foley & Lardner; Ms. Carolyn Clifford of Ottosen DiNolfo Hasenbalg & Castaldo, Ltd.

Executive Committee roll call attendance was taken. Trustee Atkinson, present; Trustee Giertz, present; Trustee Lyons, present; Trustee Van Meter, present; and Trustee Vogel, absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Atkinson presented the minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of August 11, 2022.

Trustee Van Meter made the following motion:

- That the open session minutes from the August 11, 2022 Executive Committee meeting be approved as presented.

Trustee Atkinson seconded the motion which passed via the following roll call vote:

Trustee Atkinson	-	aye
Trustee Giertz	-	aye
Trustee Lyons	-	aye
Trustee Van Meter	-	aye
Trustee Vogel	-	absent

APPROVAL OF CLOSED MINUTES

Trustee Atkinson presented the closed session minutes from the Executive Committee meeting of August 11, 2022.

Trustee Van Meter made the following motion:

- That the closed session minutes from the August 11, 2022 Executive Committee meeting be approved as presented and be opened.

Trustee Atkinson seconded the motion which passed via the following roll call vote:

Trustee Atkinson	-	aye
Trustee Giertz	-	aye
Trustee Lyons	-	aye
Trustee Van Meter	-	aye
Trustee Vogel	-	absent

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Trustee John Atkinson did not have a chairperson's report.

PRESENTATION OF THE MULVANEY CLAIM

Attorney Carolyn Clifford provided a brief verbal summary of the issues on appeal *In Re the Claim of Bernard Mulvaney*, Case No. 2021-13. She admitted into evidence the full Administrative Record in the matter that consisted of 179 pages, which the committee received for review in advance of the hearing.. Ms. Clifford reminded the committee members that they were allowed to go into closed session to deliberate on the evidence that the committee received in the matter, but that the committee's decision must be made in open session.

CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Van Meter moved that the Executive Committee go into closed session pursuant to §2(c)(4) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act to deliberate. Trustee Giertz seconded the motion which passed via the following roll call vote:

Trustee Atkinson	-	aye
Trustee Giertz	-	aye
Trustee Lyons	-	aye
Trustee Van Meter	-	aye
Trustee Vogel	-	absent

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The committee resumed open session at 12:39 p.m.

Trustee Giertz made the following motion:

- That the findings and conclusions of the Claims Panel in the matter of Bernard Mulvaney be affirmed and that a written order reflecting this decision be drafted by counsel and signed by the committee members voting in favor of the decision.

Trustee Van Meter seconded the motion which passed via the following roll call vote:

Trustee Atkinson	-	aye
Trustee Giertz	-	aye
Trustee Lyons	-	aye
Trustee Van Meter	-	aye
Trustee Vogel	-	absent

PRESENTATION OF THE CARLSON CLAIM

Attorney Carolyn Clifford provided a brief verbal summary of the issues on appeal in *In Re the Claim of Christopher Carlson*, Case No. 2022-01. She admitted into evidence the full Administrative Record in the matter that consisted of 256 pages, which the committee received for review in advance of the hearing. Ms. Clifford reminded the committee members that they were allowed to go into closed session to deliberate on the evidence that the committee received in the matter, but that the committee's decision must be made in open session.

CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Giertz moved that the Executive Committee go into closed session pursuant to §2(c)(4) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act to deliberate. Trustee Van Meter seconded the motion which passed via the following roll call vote:

Trustee Atkinson	-	aye
Trustee Giertz	-	aye
Trustee Lyons	-	aye
Trustee Van Meter	-	aye
Trustee Vogel	-	absent

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The committee resumed open session at 1:00 p.m.

Trustee Giertz made the following motion:

- That the findings and conclusions of the Claims Panel in the matter of Christopher Carlson be affirmed and that a written order reflecting this decision be drafted by counsel and signed by the committee members voting in favor of the decision.

Trustee Lyons seconded the motion which passed via the following roll call vote:

Trustee Atkinson	-	aye
Trustee Giertz	-	aye
Trustee Lyons	-	aye
Trustee Van Meter	-	aye
Trustee Vogel	-	absent

PRESENTATION OF THE DE LANEROLLE CLAIM

Attorney Carolyn Clifford provided a brief verbal summary of the issues on appeal *In Re the Claim of Primal de Lanerolle*, Case No. 2021-12. She admitted into evidence the full Administrative Record in the matter that consisted of 775 pages, which the committee received for review in advance of the hearing. Ms. Clifford reminded the committee members that they were allowed to go into closed session to deliberate on the evidence that the committee received in the matter, but that the committee's decision must be made in open session.

CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Lyons moved that the Executive Committee go into closed session pursuant to §2(c)(4) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act to deliberate. Trustee Giertz seconded the motion which passed via the following roll call vote:

Trustee Atkinson	-	aye
Trustee Giertz	-	aye
Trustee Lyons	-	aye
Trustee Van Meter	-	aye
Trustee Vogel	-	absent

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The committee resumed open session at 1:32 p.m.

Trustee Van Meter made the following motion:

- That the findings and conclusions of the Claims Panel in the matter of Primal de Lanerolle be affirmed and that a written order reflecting this decision be drafted by counsel and signed by the committee members voting in favor of the decision.

Trustee Lyons seconded the motion which passed via the following roll call vote:

Trustee Atkinson	-	aye
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Trustee Giertz	-	aye
Trustee Lyons	-	aye
Trustee Van Meter	-	aye
Trustee Vogel	-	absent

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment presented to the Executive Committee.

There was no further business before the committee and Trustee Van Meter moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Lyons, and it passed via the following roll call vote:

Trustee Atkinson	-	aye
Trustee Giertz	-	aye
Trustee Lyons	-	aye
Trustee Van Meter	-	aye
Trustee Vogel	-	absent

Respectfully submitted,



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