

**CT TEACHERS' RETIREMENT BOARD** 165 CAPITOL AVENUE HARTFORD CT 06106 Toll free 1-800-504-1102 (959) 867-6333 Fax (860) 241-9295

# DRAFT MINUTES January 22, 2025

A special meeting of the Teachers' Retirement Board was held virtually on January 22, 2025. The meeting convened at 3:03 p.m.

# **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Clare Barnett, Chair, Retired Teacher Member Carrie Cassady, Active Teacher Member Lisa Heavner, Public Member Charles Higgins, Public Member Kathleen Holt, Public Member Jonathan Johnson, Public Member Mary-Beth Lang, Retired Teacher Member Gregory Messner, Office of Policy and Management Jon Moss, Active Teacher Member Edwin Vargas, Retired Teacher Member Ted Wright, Office of the State Treasurer

# **ABSENT:**

Joslyn Delancey, Active Teacher Member Stephen McKeever, Active Teacher Member, AFT Keith Norton, State Department of Education William Myers, Vice-Chair, Retired Teacher Member

# **STAFF PRESENT:**

Helen Sullivan, Administrator Charlene Hill, Assistant Administrator Naomi Calvi, IT Analyst Javiel Resto, IT Analyst

# ALSO PRESENT:

Virginia McGarrity, Robinson & Cole Karen Nolen, OPM Rita McDougald-Campbell Paula Bacolini Anne Louise Strillacci Nancy Charest Walt Ciplinski Robert Buck Sue Hart Daniel Diodato

#### Call to Order

Chairperson, Clare Barnett called the regular meeting of the Teachers' Retirement Board to order at 3:03 p.m.

#### 1. Executive Session:

Chairperson Barnett explained that the board has been asked to issue a ruling. The discussion needs to be done in an executive session because most of the information is confidential and concerns a member of the Teachers' Retirement System.

The board went into executive session at 3:09 p.m. to discuss an appeal with legal counsel.

The board returned from executive session at 3:35 p.m.

The Chair entertained the following motion:

The petitioner requested a ruling on the retroactive application of an amendment to Conn General Statue Section 10-183aa(h) (effective July 1, 2022) to the petitioner's disability benefit application. The Board has determined that the amendment to the statute was not applied to the member's application and the member's appeal was denied as untimely. Accordingly, the Board will not issue a declaratory ruling on this basis.

The motion was moved by Charlie Higgins and seconded by Carrie Cassady. All members voted in favor and the motion was passed.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

With no other items on the agenda, a motion was moved by Ed Vargas and seconded by Jon Moss to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at: 3:39 p.m.