

Maryland Workers' Compensation Commission
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 23, 2022

Call to Order: Acting Chair Quinn called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Present: Acting Chair Maureen Quinn and Commissioners Kathleen Evans, James Forrester, Allan Kittleman, Morrisann Martin, Howard Metz, Ju Oh, Delia Schadt and Tracey Parker-Warren.

Staff members attending were Mary Ahearn, Steven Jones, Scott Curtis, Jerome Reichmister, M.D., Amy Lackington and Stacey Roig, Secretary.

Acting Chair Quinn recognized Commissioner Parker-Warren who thanked the Commissioners for their assistance during her recent absence.

Approval of Minutes: The Minutes of the June 9, 2022 Commission meeting were reviewed and upon motion of Commissioner Forrester and second of Commissioner Evans, the Minutes were approved with a unanimous vote.

Closed Session: At 9:32 a.m., upon motion of Commissioner Martin and second of Commissioner Parker-Warren and upon unanimous vote, pursuant to GP §§3-305(13), LE §§9-402, 9-403, 9-405, 9-406 and 9-1104, and COMAR 14.09.13.12, the Commission entered a closed session for the sole purpose of discussing self-insured employers' financial information.

ICR Report: Steven Jones, Director of the Insurance, Compliance and Reporting Division, discussed an update and amendment to the application of Frederick County, MD to enter the self-insurance program. After discussion, Commissioner Quinn requested a motion to rescind the previous motion of June 9, 2022, which was voted on and passed. Commissioner Martin motioned that the previous approval be rescinded with a second from Commissioner Evans. After a unanimous vote, the motion of June 9, 2022 was rescinded. Commissioner Metz motioned to approve entry to the program under the amended terms, which was seconded by Commissioner Martin and after unanimous vote was approved by the Commission.

Open Session: At 9:35 a.m., upon a motion from Commissioner Parker-Warren and second from Commissioner Metz and upon unanimous vote, the Commission re-opened the meeting.

Acting Chair Report: Acting Chair Quinn discussed changes to the mileage and meal reimbursement rates effective in June 2022.

Old Business: Commissioner Martin reminded everyone to get checks to her as soon as possible for the Kids' Chance Gala on July 23, 2022.

New Business: No Report

The Commissioners had a general conversation regarding meal reimbursement rates while traveling to cities deemed to be "high cost" locations.

Medical Alerts: Dr. Reichmister presented a discussion of the knee and common injuries and other medical alerts of interest to the Commissioners.

Adjournment: Upon a motion by Commissioner Forrester and second by Commissioner Martin and upon unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

Maureen Quinn, Acting Chairman

Stacey L. Roig, Secretary