

**WAYNE COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING**

**April 25, 2022  
9:15 am**

**28 WEST ADAMS, 18<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR  
CONFERENCE ROOM  
GRAND PARK CENTRE  
DETROIT, MICHIGAN 48226**

**Commissioners Present:**

Henry Wilson, Chair  
Frank Simone, Vice-Chair  
Cassandra McDonald 9:16 am  
Tom Yee  
Elizabeth Misuraca  
Hugh Macdonald

ELECTED MEMBERS TO THE BOARD

Assad Turfe  
Office of the Wayne County Executive

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER

**Absent:**

Alisha Bell, Chair  
Wayne County Commission

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER

**Others Present:**

Robert Grden, Gerard Grysko, Tina Turner, Robert Abb, Bruce Campbell, Jason Harrison, Linda Pente, Brian Green, Mike Holycross, David Flynn, Sophia Mullen, Kathleen Colin.



1. Call to Order at 9:15 am.
2. Roll Call.

Present: Henry Wilson; Chair, Frank Simone; Vice-Chair, Tom Yee, Elizabeth Misuraca, Hugh Macdonald, Assad Turfe.

Absent: Cassandra McDonald, Alisha Bell.

Mr. Robert Abb from VanOverbeke, Michaud & Timmony, P.C. entered the meeting at 9:15 am.

- 3a. Approval of minutes of the meeting of February 28, 2022.

Mr. Simone moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Waive the reading of the minutes and Approve the minutes of February 28, 2022.

The motion was supported by Mr. Yee and carried unanimously 6-0.

- 3b. Applications for retirement.

Mr. Simone moved for the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Approve the applications for retirement.

The motion was supported by Mr. Yee carried unanimously 6-0.

APPLICATIONS		
Name	Dept.	Retirement Date
Evon Lee-Williams	Cir Ct	05/01/2022
Loretta Borne	Cir Ct	06/01/2022
Melvin Whitlow- Deferred	CFS	05/01/2022
Denise Quiroz	WCAA	06/01/2022
Terrill Hall	WCS	07/01/2022

DISABILITY APPLICATIONS		
Name	Dept.	Application Date
Linda Jones	WCS	04/06/2022
Diago Walker	WCS	03/31/2022

- 3c. Removals from pension payroll because of death.

Mr. Simone moved the adoption of the following resolution:



RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, that the listed retirees be removed from the pension payroll because of their deaths on the indicated dates, and further

RESOLVED, that any monies due to the deceased be paid to the named beneficiaries, subject to the receipt of a death certificate in each case.

The motion was supported by Mr. Yee and carried unanimously 6-0.

DEATHS	
Name	
Dorothy McCue	Jeanette L. Gillette
Norma Poet	Kellye Canty
Lillian Smiadak	Carrie Saffold
Connie Camilleri	Jdg. Prentis Edwards
Robert M. Teed	Mary E. Cleveland
Thelma J. Brooks	Louise Divitto
Meredith Ballard	Theresa Abick
Teresa Abick	Margaret A. Maddix
June Nowak	Brian S. Meade
Michael Reynolds	Grace Erickson
Vinnie J. Buggs	

3d. Retirement Allowances.

Mr. Simone moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Approve the final retirement allowances.

The motion was supported by Mr. Yee and carried unanimously 6-0.

NEW RETIREES			
Name	Dept.	Name	Dept.
Melvin Whitlow	CFS	Stephanie Lewis	WCS
Marzette L Hill	WCS	Frank Wood	WCS
Evon Lee-Williams	Cir Ct	Loretta Borne	Cir Ct

3e. Adjustment of pensions for retirees because of additional earnings, annual leave payments, overpayments, etc.

Mr. Simone moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Approve the adjustment of pensions for retirees because of additional earnings, annual leave payments, overpayments, etc.



The motion was supported by Mr. Yee and carried unanimously 6-0.

### UPDATES FROM PREVIOUS AGENDA (NEW RETIREES)

Name	Effective Date
Cherilyn Carter	02/01/2022
Lisa Hesano	04/01/2022
Patsy Walton	04/01/2022
Arnette Reddic	04/01/2022
Duane B. Brown	04/01/2022

### ADJUSTMENTS

Name	Adjustment Date	Name	Adjustment Date
Cherilyn Carter	05/01/2022	Brian Earle	05/01/2022
Carl McWhoter	05/01/2022		

### ADJUSTMENTS TO CONTRIBUTIONS ONLY

Name	Adjustment Date
(None)	

- 3f. Re-calculations and/or Pop-ups due to death of spouse, and attainment of age 60 under Disability Retirement as well as additional contributions.

Mr. Simone moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Approve the Re-calculations and/or Pop-ups due to death of spouse, and attainment of age 60 under Disability Retirement as well as additional contributions.

The motion was supported by Mr. Yee and carried unanimously 6-0.

### RE-CALCULATIONS

Name	Conversion Date
(None)	

### POP-UPS

Name	Pop-Up Date
Sarah Kuykendall	01/01/2021
David P Kolasa	03/01/2022



- 3g. April stipends of \$129,193.61 for pre-Medicare eligible members pursuant to Wayne County Ordinance 2015-610.

Mr. Simone moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Approve the April stipends of \$129,193.61 for pre-Medicare eligible members pursuant to Wayne County Ordinance 2015-610.

The motion was supported by Mr. Yee and carried unanimously 6-0.

- 3h. Correspondence.

Mr. Simone moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Accept the correspondence.

The motion was supported by Mr. Yee and carried unanimously 6-0.

Ms. Linda Pente of Wayne County Corporation Counsel entered the meeting and moved to the table at 9:16 am.

4. Recommendation from Dr. Andrew Vosburgh, Medical Director regarding the disability retirement of the following members:

Non-Duty Disability

Ivan Bishaw Jr.

Duty Disability

Lisa Chapman (formerly Glover)

Mr. Macdonald made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, M.C.L. 15.268(1)(h) which permits a Public Body to discuss matters in closed session that are exempt by other statutes. Information that is subject to the Physician-Patient Privilege is not subject to disclosure, noting that a roll call is required for this motion. M.C.L. 15.243(1)(h). This is not subject to disclosure under The Freedom of Information Act, M.C.L. 15.231 et seq. The agenda item to be discussed is #4; and further

Pursuant to the provision of the Michigan Open Meeting Act, M.C.L. 15.267(2), which permits a Public Body to discuss closed session minutes that are not available to the public, noting that a roll call is required for this motion. This is not subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, M.C.L. 15.231 et seq. The agenda item to be discussed is #5; and further



Pursuant to the provisions of the Michigan Open Meetings Act, M.C.L. 15.268(1)(h) which permits a Public Body to discuss matters in closed session that are exempt by other statutes. Information subject to Attorney-Client Privilege is not subject to disclosure, noting that a roll call is required for this motion. M.C.L. 15.243(1)(g). This is not subject to disclosure under The Freedom of Information Act, M.C.L. 15.231 *et seq.* The agenda item to be discussed is #12.

The motion was supported by Mr. Simone and carried unanimously 6-0 with a roll call vote, Henry Wilson – yes, Frank Simone - yes, Tom Yee – yes, Elizabeth Misuraca – yes, Hugh Macdonald – yes, Assad Turfe – yes.

The Retirement Commission went into closed session at 9:16 am.

Ms. McDonald entered the meeting at 9:16 am.

Ms. Pente exited the meeting at 9:31 am.

Mr. Yee and Mr. Campbell exited the meeting at 9:31 am due to a conflict of interest.

The Retirement Commission returned to open session at 9:48 am with the following Commissioners present: Henry Wilson, Frank Simone, Cassandra McDonald, Elizabeth Misuraca, Hugh Macdonald, Assad Turfe.

Chairman Wilson called for a recess at 9:48 am.

The Retirement Commission returned to session at 9:54 am with the following Commissioners present: Henry Wilson, Frank Simone, Tom Yee, Cassandra McDonald, Elizabeth Misuraca, Hugh Macdonald, Assad Turfe.

Mr. Macdonald moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Accept the legal report by Corporation Counsel regarding disability retirement(s); and further

RESOLVED, to Accept the Medical Director's report; and further

RESOLVED, to Accept the recommendation(s) from the Medical Director and Corporation Counsel; and further

RESOLVED, to Approve a non-duty disability and that further exam if required will be determined by the Retirement Commission for:

Ivan Bishaw Jr.

The motion was supported by Ms. Misuraca and carried unanimously 7-0.

Mr. Macdonald moved the adoption of the following resolution:



RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Accept the legal report by Corporation Counsel regarding disability retirement(s); and further

RESOLVED, to Accept the Medical Director's report; and further

RESOLVED, to Accept the recommendation(s) from the Medical Director and Corporation Counsel; and further

RESOLVED, to Approve a duty disability and that further exam if required will be determined by the Retirement Commission for:

Lisa Chapman (formerly Glover)

The motion was supported by Ms. Misuraca and carried unanimously 7-0.

5. Consideration of meeting minutes for the closed session(s) of March 28, 2022.

Mr. Macdonald moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Waive the reading of the minutes and Approve the closed session(s) of March 28, 2022.

The motion was supported by Ms. Misuraca and carried 6-0-1 with Mr. Yee abstaining. (Mr. Yee abstained as he only participated in portions of the closed session due to a conflict of interest)

12. Consideration of a confidential legal report from VanOverbeke, Michaud & Timmony, P.C.

Mr. Macdonald moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Accept the confidential legal report from VanOverbeke, Michaud & Timmony, P.C.

The motion was supported by Mr. Simone and carried 6-0-1 with Mr. Yee abstaining. (Mr. Yee abstained as he did not participate in the closed session due to a conflict of interest).

Mr. Brian Green and Mr. Mike Holycross from AndCo Consulting entered the meeting at 9:58 am.

6. Consideration of the March flash report on the Defined Benefit Plan from AndCo Consulting.

Mr. Yee moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Accept the March flash report on the Defined Benefit Plan from AndCo Consulting.



The motion was supported by Ms. McDonald and carried unanimously 7-0.

7. Consideration of a status update on the Defined Benefit Plan from AndCo Consulting.

Mr. Yee moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Receive and File the verbal status update on the Defined Benefit Plan from AndCo Consulting.

The motion was supported by Ms. McDonald and carried unanimously 7-0.

8. Consideration of a verbal report from Committee Chair, Hugh Macdonald regarding the Audit Committee meeting of April 21, 2022.

Mr. Macdonald moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Accept the verbal report from Committee Chair, Hugh Macdonald regarding the Audit Committee meeting of April 21, 2022.

The motion was supported by Mr. Yee and carried unanimously 7-0.

9. Consideration of a verbal report from Committee Chair, Hugh Macdonald regarding the Policy Committee meeting of April 21, 2022.

Mr. Macdonald moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Accept the verbal report from Committee Chair, Hugh Macdonald regarding the Policy Committee meeting of April 21, 2022.

The motion was supported by Mr. Yee and carried unanimously 7-0.

10. Consideration of the 2022 annual review process with amendments and codification of the Policy Procedure Manual.

Mr. Macdonald moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Wayne County Employees' Retirement System (the "Retirement System") is established and administered pursuant to the provisions of (a) Public Act 156, of 1851, Section 12a added by Public Act 249 of 1943, as amended ["County Pension Plan Act"], (MCL 46.12a); (b) the Wayne County Charter, as amended; (c) the Wayne County Employees' Retirement System Ordinance, as amended ["Retirement Ordinance"]; (d) applicable collective bargaining agreements; and (e) applicable state and federal laws including, but not limited to Public Act 314 of 1965, as amended ("Act 314") [MCL 38.1132 et seq.], and





WHEREAS, the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission (the "Retirement Commission") is vested with the authority and fiduciary responsibility for the proper administration, management, and operation of the Retirement System, and

WHEREAS, the Retirement Commission has established a Policy Committee for the purpose of periodic review of Retirement System policies and procedures, and

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee, in coordination with legal counsel, investment consultant and Retirement System staff, engaged in an annual review of all its existing Retirement System policies in accordance with the Retirement System's Rules of Procedure, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its annual review of all Retirement System Policies, the Policy Committee has recommended amendment of the following policies and procedures:

- a) Defined Benefit Plan Investment Policy Statement
- b) EDRO/DRO/QDRO Policy
- c) Ethics Policy
- d) Purchase of Eligible Service Credit Policy
- e) Retirement Commissioner Election Policy
- f) Retiree Signature and Information Verification Policy

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission hereby approves and adopts the amended Retirement System policies and procedures as presented by the Policy Committee, and further

RESOLVED, that the amended policies shall be incorporated in the Retirement System's Policy & Procedure Manual, which shall be updated accordingly, and further

RESOLVED, that any inconsistencies between the terms of the amended Policy & Procedure Manual and any prior versions of the same shall be controlled by the most recently amended version of the Manual, and further

RESOLVED, that the Policy & Procedure Manual, as amended, shall be periodically reviewed by the Policy Committee in accordance with the Retirement System's Rules of Procedure, and further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be maintained for the Retirement System's records and made available to all relevant parties.

The motion was supported by Mr. Yee and carried unanimously 7-0.

Mr. Turfe exited the meeting for the day at 10:24 am.

Mr. David Flynn and Ms. Sophia Mullen from Entrust Global entered the meeting and moved to the table at 10:24 am.



11. Consideration of an update on the Entrust Special Opportunities Fund III.

Mr. Yee moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Receive and File the update on the Entrust Special Opportunities Fund III.

The motion was supported by Mr. Simone and carried unanimously 6-0.

13. Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

14. Reconsiderations.

There were no reconsiderations.

15. Such other Matters.

Mr. Macdonald stated the Policy Committee meetings for 2022 have been cancelled and future meetings will resume in April 2023 or at the call of the Chair.

Mr. Macdonald moved the adoption of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, by the Wayne County Employees' Retirement Commission, to Approve all future WCERS Regular and Quarterly Board meetings to begin at 10:00 am starting with the meeting of May 27, 2022.

The motion was supported by Mr. Simone and carried unanimously 6-0.

16. Adjournment.

Ms. Misuraca moved to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was supported by Mr. Macdonald and carried unanimously 6-0.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am subject to the call of the Chair.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert J. Grden, Executive Director  
Wayne County Employees' Retirement System

