

ILLINOIS SELF-INSURERS ADVISORY BOARD
ILLINOIS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
September 10, 2014
Chicago, IL 10:30 a.m.

Board Attendees: Chairman Michael Latz, Gerald Cooper, John Rittenhouse, and Deborah Stafford and via conference call: Alex Alexandrou and David Taylor

Staff Attendees: Manager Maria Sarli-Dehlin, Barbara Bentivenga, Jean Cannon, Ron Rascia, and via conference call: Wendy Keithley and Kevin Leach

Chairman Latz called the meeting to order at 10:45 am. A previously prepared and posted agenda was distributed, a copy of which is attached.

I. Minutes

Upon motion by John Rittenhouse, seconded by Gerald Cooper, the minutes of the Board meeting held on June 3, 2014, were unanimously approved as presented.

II. Chairman's Report

Chairman Latz reported that Governor Quinn appointed four new arbitrators: Maria Bocanegra, Stephen Friedman, Steven Fruth, and Michael Nowak.

The Chairman further reported that Arbitrator Brandon Zanotti resigned from the Commission for an appointment as State's Attorney in Williamson County.

Chairman Latz also stated the National Council on Compensation Insurance (NCCI) reported in the State's Advisory Forum report that proposed loss costs dropped 19.3% since the 2011 workers compensation reforms. This demonstrates the 2011 reforms resulted in savings.

Chairman Latz also reported that Steven Gaffney was hired as the new IT Director.

III. Manager's Report

A. Security Fund Forecast

Maria Sarli-Dehlin presented to the Board the Security Fund forecast as of 6/30/2014. She reported that since the Security Fund assessment fund balance is \$1,699,638, an assessment was not being recommended at this time.

B. Fund Balances

Maria Sarli-Dehlin also presented reports for the Security and Administration Funds that included current and past budgets, expenditures, revenue and fund balances. She stated that 55% of the Security Fund's operating budget was spent for FY2014. Also, 51% of the benefits paid were from the employer's security and 49% were from the assessment balance. She further reported that for FY2014, the Administration Fund's expenditures exceeded revenues and that 98% of the budget was spent.

IV. New Business

None

Thereafter, the Chairman moved to go into closed session to discuss personnel matters and the litigation report pursuant to 2(c)11 of the Open Meetings Act. Upon motion by Gerald Cooper, seconded by John Rittenhouse, and unanimously carried the Board agreed to adjourn the public portion of the meeting, after which the Board convened in closed session.

After discussion in closed session, the Board convened in open session.

VIII. Vote

1. Bethany Methodist Corporation

Upon motion by Alex Alexandrou, seconded by Deborah Stafford, and unanimously carried the Board agreed to postpone a decision regarding the petition for reconsideration until the audit of the 9/30/2014 financial statements is complete.

2. Dana Sealing Manufacturing, LLC

Upon motion by Alex Alexandrou, seconded by Gerald Cooper, and unanimously carried the Board agreed to deny the petition for reconsideration and require the requested security.

3. Carpenter Contractors of America.

Upon motion by Gerald Cooper, seconded by Deborah Stafford, the Board agreed to deny further security reduction until additional claims are resolved. Board member John Rittenhouse abstained.

4. Peabody Investment Corporation

Upon motion by Alex Alexandrou, seconded by Deborah Stafford, and unanimously carried the Board agreed to reduce the security requirement.

5. Premor Refining Group a/k/a Clark Refining

Upon motion by Alex Alexandrou, seconded by Gerald Cooper, and unanimously carried the Board agreed to maintain the current security requirement.

6. Seigle's Inc.

Upon motion by Alex Alexandrou, seconded by Gerald Cooper, and unanimously carried the Board agreed to reduce the security requirement.

Chairman Latz reported that he will discuss the Governor's signing of Senate Bill 3324 at the next Board meeting.

There being no further business, upon motion by John Rittenhouse, seconded by Gerald Cooper, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.

The next meeting of the ISIAB is scheduled for December 10, 2014 at 10:30 am in the Chicago office.