

MINUTES OF THE ILLINOIS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
BOARD MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 16, 2024 at 10AM
69 W WASHINGTON, 9th FLOOR, CHICAGO, IL 60602

Board Members Present In Person

Chairman Michael J. Brennan
Commissioner Kathryn Doerries
Commissioner Carolyn Doherty
Commissioner Christopher Harris
Commissioner Stephen Mathis (via WebEx)
Commissioner Marc Parker (via WebEx)
Commissioner Maria Portela
Commissioner Amylee Simonovich
Commissioner Deborah Simpson
Commissioner Raychel Wesley

IWCC Staff Present In Person

Ron Rascia, General Counsel
Annette Roti, Chief of Staff
Michele Kowalski, Secretary of the Commission
Whitney Martin, Manager Research and Education
Kris Tharp, Confidential Assistant to the Chairman (via WebEx)

On December 16, 2024 at 10:01 AM, Chairman Michael J. Brennan called the Workers' Compensation Commission Meeting to order. Michele Kowalski took roll and verified a quorum was present. Upon Motion by Commissioner Harris and seconded by Commissioner Simonovich, the Minutes of the Board Meeting held on September 18 and continued to September 20, 2024 were unanimously approved as presented.

As to Old Business, Chairman Brennan stated that the issues brought to the Board by the Shirley Ryan Ability Lab and the fees associated with the Ambulatory Surgical Centers are now resolved.

Next, Chairman Brennan relayed that a question was posed by an insurance company to the Medical Fee Advisory Board regarding procedure codes, and that issue is being investigated.

Chairman Brennan stated that there have been no updates from the Governor's Office regarding Commissioner reappointments.

As to New Business, Chairman Brennan stated that a memo was sent regarding judicial training. This spring, training will be held by ICLE on March 6th and WCLA on April 4th. Any Review calls or Orals on those days will need to be rescheduled.

Next, the Secretary announced the board meeting dates for 2025: March 17, June 16, September 15, and December 8th.

There being no members of the public on the call who wished to comment, Commissioner Doherty Motioned to Adjourn, Commissioner Mathis seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:20 AM.