MINUTES OF THE ILLINOIS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION REVIEW BOARD MEETING HELD VIA WEBEX JUNE 22, 2022

Board Members Present at the meeting via WebEx:

Chairman Michael Brennan Commissioner Deborah Simpson Arbitrator Jeffrey Huebsch Arbitrator Maureen Pulia Robert Hanaford

Not Present:

Commissioner Thomas Tyrrell Carolyn Parks, Executive Director

IWCC staff present at the meeting via WebEx:

Ronald Rascia, General Counsel Annette Roti, Confidential Assistant to the Chairman Michele Kowalski, Secretary of the Commission Whitney Martin, Research and Education Manager

Chairman Brennan called the meeting to order at 9:33 AM and Michele Kowalski took roll and noted a quorum was present. Arbitrator Pulia moved to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2022 Board Meeting. Arbitrator Huebsch seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

As to new business, Chairman Brennan advised that HB 1208 passed, and did not reconfigure or abolish the WCRB. Although the Board does not have authority to discipline attorneys, the Chairman thanked the Board Members for their continued service. Next, the Chairman relayed that the Commission recently voted to increase certain Medical Fee Schedule E & M Codes by 15%. The Chairman also relayed that the Commission recognized Milton Black for his service to the Commission and for his mentorship to new arbitrators. Molly Mason will be taking over this mentorship role on July 1st. Finally, the Chairman announced the efforts to streamline arbitration procedures and that arbitrator training will take place in July.

Mr. Rascia noted that the Executive Director did not transmit any complaints since the last meeting.

There were no members of the public present via WebEx and no public comment. Upon hearing no further business, Arbitrator Huebsch moved to adjourn, Commissioner Simpson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:40 AM.