

**MINUTES OF THE ILLINOIS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION  
REVIEW BOARD MEETING  
THE MEETING WAS HELD VIA WEBEX  
DECEMBER 3, 2021**

**Present at the meeting via WebEx:**

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

**Not present at the meeting via WebEx:**

Velisha Haddox

**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  
Cole Garrett, Deputy Legal Counsel

Chairman Brennan called the meeting to order at 9:30AM and Michele Kowalski took roll and noted a quorum was present. Commissioner Tyrrell moved to approve the minutes of the September 20, 2021 meeting, Arbitrator Huebsch seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

As to new and old business, Chairman Brennan announced that Judge McGing was appointed as an independent arbitrator and was able to attend the recent Judicial Training. Chairman Brennan relayed to the Board that he received the name of Marc Perper as additional candidate for independent arbitrator and that his appointment would be considered at the next Board Meeting.

Chairman Brennan conveyed to the Board that the Red Line is now being enforced at the Commission, as of November 1, 2021 and there has been some pushback from the practitioners. Arbitrators Huebsch and Pulia commented that this has been working well for them and have no issues.

Chairman Brennan also relayed to the Board that the new calendars have been posted to include 2 new pre-trial dates, so arbitrators are not overwhelmed.

There were no members of the public present via WebEx and no public comment. Upon no further business, Arbitrator Pulia moved to adjourn, Mr. Hanaford seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:39AM.