



STATE OF OKLAHOMA

**WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**

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of the

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FOR THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

for the

October 27, 2015

Special Public Meeting

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION FOR THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

The members of the Workers' Compensation Commission for the state of Oklahoma met at 1915 N. Stiles Ave., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on October 27, 2015.

Members present: Chairman Gilliland, Commissioner Young and Commissioner Liotta.

Others in attendance on behalf of the Commission: Neal Leader, Dr. Jay Cannon, Kim Bailey and Tiffany Pratt.

The meeting was called to order at approximately 3:00 p.m.

**1. The Drafted Minutes for the following Special Commission Meetings were considered for approval:**

Special Commission Meeting on Thursday, October 15, 2015

Special Commission Meeting on Monday, October 19, 2015

**Motion:** Commissioner Liotta moved to approve the minutes.

**Second:** Commissioner Young.

Those voting aye: Commissioner Liotta, Commissioner Young and Chairman Gilliland.

**The motion carried.**

**2. Proposed Approval of Dates for the Commission's 2016 Regular Meeting Schedule**

Under the provisions of Section 311 of Title 25, all public bodies shall give notice in writing by December 15 of each calendar year of the schedule showing the date, time and place of the regularly scheduled meetings of such public bodies for the following calendar year. That notice shall be given to the Secretary of State. The Commission considered the following dates for its 2016 regular meeting schedule:

**Business Meeting**  
**Thursdays 1:30 p.m.**

January 14, 2016  
February 11, 2016  
March 10, 2016  
April 7, 2016  
May 12, 2016  
June 9, 2016

**Appeals Hearing**  
**Fridays 9:00 a.m.**

January 15, 2016  
February 12, 2016  
March 11, 2016  
April 8, 2016  
May 13, 2016  
June 10, 2016

July 14, 2016  
August 12, 2016  
September 8, 2016  
October 20, 2016  
November 5, 2016  
December 8, 2016

July 15, 2016  
August 13, 2016  
September 9, 2016  
October 21, 2016  
November 6, 2016  
December 9, 2016

**Motion:** Commissioner Young moved to approve the dates for 2016.

**Second:** Commissioner Liotta.

Those voting aye: Commissioner Liotta, Commissioner Young and Chairman Gilliland.

**The motion carried.**

### **3. Consent Agenda for Travel Vouchers Currently Outstanding**

*85A O.S. §23 states any commissioner or employee of the Commission shall be entitled to receive his or her necessary traveling expenses as provided in the State Travel Reimbursement Act. The expenses shall be certified by the person who incurred them and shall be allowed and paid on presentation of vouchers approved by the Commission. In accordance with this section, the Commission considered a vote to approve the currently outstanding vouchers.*

**Motion:** Commissioner Liotta moved to approve the list of travel vouchers currently outstanding, which are labeled as Item 2 and included as a part of these minutes.

**Second:** Commissioner Young.

Those voting aye: Commissioner Liotta, Commissioner Young, and Chairman Gilliland.

**The motion carried.**

### **4. Executive session**

*Pursuant to Title 25 O.S. § 307(B)(4) for confidential communications between the Commission and its attorneys concerning initiating litigation regarding the Commission's duties relating to own-risk, self-insurer and group self-*

*insurance programs under Title 85A and in accordance with the rules of the Commission.*

**Motion:** Chairman Gilliland moved to determine that disclosure of the communications will seriously impair the ability of the Commission to take appropriate action in initiating litigation regarding the Commission's duties relating to own-risk, self-insurer and group self-insurance programs under 85A and in accordance with the rules of the Commission; and proposed moving into Executive Session for purposes of:

Discussing under §307(B)(4) initiating litigation concerning the Commission's duties relating to own-risk, self-insurer and group self-insurance programs under 85A and in accordance with the rules of the Commission.

**Second:** Commissioner Liotta. Commissioner Liotta commented that in the agenda regarding this item the word “the” appeared between the words “Discussing” and “under”.

Those voting aye: Commissioner Liotta, Commissioner Young and Chairman Gilliland.

**The motion carried.**

**Vote to Reconvene in Open Session**

**Motion:** Chairman Gilliland moved to reconvene in Open Session.

**Second:** Commissioner Liotta.

Those voting aye: Commissioner Liotta, Commissioner Young and Chairman Gilliland.

**The motion carried.**

**Discussion and action from Executive Session**

**Motion:** Chairman Gilliland moved to continue the matter concerning the Commission's duties relating to own-risk, self-insurer and group self-insurance programs under 85A and in accordance with the rules of the Commission.

**Second:** Commissioner Liotta.

Those voting aye: Commissioner Liotta, Commissioner Young and Chairman Gilliland.

**The motion carried.**

## **5. Announcements**

Commission's next meeting scheduled for November 9, 2015.

### **Adjournment**

**Motion:** Chairman Gilliland moved to adjourn.

**Second:** Commissioner Liotta.

Those voting aye: Commissioner Liotta, Commissioner Young, and Chairman Gilliland.

### **The motion carried.**

Chairman Gilliland announced the meeting was adjourned.