

# Merit Appeals Board Hearing Minutes

## August 29, 2019

### REGULAR HEARING MINUTES Thursday, August 29, 2019 MERIT APPEALS CONFERENCE ROOM

**CALL TO ORDER:** Acting Chairperson Valerie Pacheco, called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM with a quorum of two (2) members present. Note – This three-member Board requires two (2) members for a quorum and to take official Board action.

Board Members Present – Valerie Pacheco, Acting Chair, and Laurie Santiago, Member

Staff – Sarah Casken, Legal Counsel, Rowena Eddins, Legal Counsel (Observing), and Ronnette Correa, Secretary

Guests – Appellant for MAB Case No. 401; Toni Sipili, Appellant Representative, Claire Chinn, Respondent Representative, and Renee Laulusa, Employer Representative

- I. **At 11:00 AM Acting Chair Pacheco called the hearing to order**
  - a. The Emergency Procedures were reviewed by Secretary Ronnette Correa.
- II. **Approval of the December 5, 2018 Minutes**

Member Laurie Santiago moved to accept the minutes, and Acting Chair Valerie Pacheco seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously as written.
- III. **Hearing for MAB Case No. 401**

No minutes taken – Start of hearing 11:00 AM.

Executive session commenced 11:25a, hearing reconvened at 11:36a. and ended at 9:34 AM;

Executive session commenced 11:30a, hearing reconvened at 12:02p;

Executive session commenced 12:07p, hearing reconvened at 12:25p

Due to the length of the hearing, the Chairperson granted a continuance.
- IV. **Other Business (Executive Session)**
  - a. **Notification of new appeals** – No minutes taken
- V. **Adjournment**