MEETING MINUTES

STATE OF WASHINGTON BOARD OF PILOTAGE COMMISSIONERS

January 17, 2008

Present:
Chairman: Harry Dudley
Commissioners: Bill Snyder
By telephone conference call - Chuck Davis, Ole Mackey, Pat Hannigan, Vince Addington, Craig Lee, Norm Davis, Elsie Hulsizer
Assistant Attorney General: Susan Cruise
Administration: Peggy Larson
Del Mackenzie, Walt Tabler: Puget Sound Pilots
Mike Moore, Jordan Royer: Pacific Merchant Shipping Association - By telephone conference call

SPECIAL MEETING
A special meeting of the Board of Pilotage Commissioners was convened at 2:05 a.m. by Chairman Harry Dudley by telephone conference call originating at the Office of the Board, 2901 Third Avenue, Seattle, Washington. The purpose of the special meeting is to consider the following five items:

Review, Analysis and Approval of the Request for Proposal Concerning the post July 1, 2008 Puget Sound Pilotage District Marine Pilot Written Examination and Simulator Evaluation. After reviewing, modifying and ratifying the draft RFP prepared by the Pilot Exam Committee, it was moved by Commissioner Snyder and seconded by Commissioner Hannigan that the Board approve today’s final draft for publication. The motion carried. It will be posted on the Board’s web site and sent to the requisite potential proposers according to state Office of Financial Management requirements.

Possible Discussion of the Trainee Evaluation Committee’s Training Program Addendum for Captain Bruce Nelson previously authorized on January 10, 2008. After meeting with Captain Bruce Nelson earlier today, the TEC presented the Board with the training program addendum it developed for him. It was moved by Commissioner Addington and seconded by Commissioner Mackey that the Board approve Captain Nelson’s training program addendum which extends through April 6, 2008. The motion carried.

Determination of Physical Status of Captains Steve Cooke and Micheal Wood. After considering the physician’s report regarding Captain Steve Cooke, it was moved by Commissioner Hulsizer and seconded by Commissioner Addington that Captain Cooke be authorized to return to active duty. The motion carried. Captain Micheal Wood remains in temporary inactive status due to his medical condition but if given a Fit-For-Duty between Board meetings, it was moved by Commissioner Snyder and seconded by Commissioner Addington that Chairman Dudley and Vice Chairman C. Davis be empowered to accept Captain Wood’s physical report for purposes of allowing him to return to work, subject to Board concurrence at the next regular meeting. The motion carried.

Consideration of Action by the Chairman to Delete Language from the Agency Request Legislation Previously Submitted by the Board. Z-Draft #0705.5 MODIFYING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE PILOTAGE ACT contains two new modifications which, when asked by our bill’s sponsor to consider, Chairman Dudley felt were necessary to sustain our bill. (1) Proposed new language describing the Board’s public position was deleted which, rather than amending in statute will be remedied administratively, and (2) proposed deleted language referring to the expiration date of the pilot license fee provision will remain and be remedied legislatively in accordance with new I-960 requirements. It was moved by Commissioner Lee and seconded by Commissioner Snyder that the Board support Chairman Dudley’s action to modify the bill. The motion carried.
Possible Determination of Regulatory Fees for Submittal to the 2008 Legislature. Susan Cruise shared information regarding her research and review of Initiative 960 relating to the fees our Board currently charges. She described which fees may be subject to the new requirement for prior legislative approval necessary to implement or increase fees. This information will assist the Board in responding to any potential legislative requests for information.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Chairman adjourned the special session Board meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Peggy Larson, Administrator

Harry H. Dudley, Chairman

Charles M. Davis, Vice Chairman

Commissioner Patrick M. Hannigan

Commissioner William H. Snyder

Commissioner Vincent Addington

Commissioner Craig W. Lee

Commissioner Norman W. Davis

Commissioner Elsie J. Hulsizer