MEETING MINUTES
STATE OF WASHINGTON ~ BOARD OF PILOTAGE COMMISSIONERS

April 21, 2016

Present:
Chair: Sheri Tonn (by telephone)  Vice Chair: Ned Kiley (by telephone)
Commissioners: Chuck Adams, Ed Marmol, Don Mayer, Phil Morrell, Grant Stewart, Eleanor Kirtley
(all by telephone)
Administration: Jaimie Bever, Peggy Larson (in person)
Assistant Attorney General: Guy Bowman (by telephone)
Public: Norman Hertz (by telephone)

A Closed Session/Special Meeting was called on April 20, 2016 and convened on April 21, 2016 by
Chair Sheri Tonn. Written notice was provided pursuant to RCW 42.30.080 and WAC 363-116-020. An
option to attend by telephone conference call was offered, originating in the Board Office at 2901 Third
Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

CLOSED SESSION
A Closed Session was called from 2:30 p.m. to 2:55 p.m. to hear a presentation from Dr. Norman Hertz,
Progeny Systems Corporation, and discuss and review additional information regarding the 2016 Marine
Pilot Simulator Evaluation process and results. Present were all those attendees listed above.

SPECIAL MEETING
A special meeting of the Board of Pilotage Commissioners was convened at 2:55 p.m. by Chair Sheri
Tonn. Present were all those attendees listed above in addition to three exam applicants by telephone.

Discuss and Consider the Simulator Evaluation Process and Results. Dr. Norman Hertz spoke of
his further review of the psychometric process and analysis he applied to determine his initial
recommendation of a cut score of 39. He revaluated all of the data that was obtained from the cut score
study and determined that a new cut score of 36 be recommended based on further data synthesis and
analysis. Motion: Mayer/Stewart – re-set the Simulator Evaluation cut score from 39 to 36 as
recommended by Dr. Hertz – Carried. Based on the new cut score of 36, three additional applicants are
deemed successful for a total of twelve. This scoring information will be posted on the Board’s web site,
sent by e-mail to all applicants, and posted at the Board Office later today. All applicants are referenced
by an ID number until the entire examination and review process is complete.

Appoint a Simulator Evaluation Review Committee. Motion: Mayer/Marmol – appoint Captain William
Anderson Sr. as the Simulator Evaluation Reviewer – Carried. The deadline for submitting a request to
review was extended to Friday, April 29th at 1700 hours PDT.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Tonn adjourned the special Board
meeting at 3:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheri J. Tonn, Chair

Peggy Larson, Executive Director

Edmund I. Kiley, Vice Chair

Commissioner Charles F. Adams

Commissioner J. Grant Stewart

Commissioner Philip Morrell

Commissioner Edmund Marmol

Commissioner Donald W. Mayer

Absent

Commissioner Sara Thompson

Commissioner Eleanor Kirtley