

**Compensation Council
June 18, 2026
1:00 PM**

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present:

Patrick McCormack, Chair
David Asp, Vice Chair
Gary Borgendale
Thomas Boyd
Janice Brandt
Tim Brinkman
Kelli Commers
Devin Driscoll
Susan Holden
Roger Josephson
Amanda Matchett
Amanda Mills
Nicholas Morgan
Karl Morton Badger
Amber Naqvi
James Robins
Tim Stout

Members Excused:

Benjamin Gerber
Jason Resseman
Kristi Schmidt
Davis Senseman

Patrick McCormack, Chair, called the meeting of the Compensation Council to order at 1:00 PM in the Ladyslipper Room of the Centennial Office Building. A quorum was present.

Introduction of members and staff

Members and staff introduced themselves.

Compensation Council Policies

Nick Nero, Research Analyst, Legislative Coordinating Commission, presented an overview of the Open Meeting Law, the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, and the Compensation Council statutory provision related to ex parte communications.

Overview of the LCC's Office of Inspector General (OIG) Data

Nick Nero, Research Analyst, Legislative Coordinating Commission, provided an overview

of the Office of Inspector General statute and reviewed the statutory requirements and duties of the Compensation Council related to setting the salary for the Inspector General.

Presentation by Minnesota Management and Budget (MMB) on OIG

Dori Leland, Enterprise Director, Workforce Development, MMB, provided an overview of the Inspector General position, potential approaches to determining the salary, and MMB's salary recommendation.

Chair McCormack called a recess at 1:47 PM.

Chair McCormack called the meeting back to order at 1:58 PM.

Presentation by Minnesota District Judges Association (MDJA)

Dr. King Banaian, Director of the St. Cloud State University Center for Policy Research and Community Development, presented an analysis of Minnesota judicial salaries.

Judge Richard Kyle, President of the Minnesota District Judges Association, provided a general overview of the association and presented MDJA's recommendations for fiscal years 2028 and 2029.

Overview of LCC's Judicial Data

Nick Nero, Research Analyst, Legislative Coordinating Commission, provided an overview on judicial compensation data, including historical salary and recommendation data, the National Center for States survey of judicial salaries, and various judicial salary comparisons.

Council Discussion

Council members discussed information they would like to be provided to the Council.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:19 PM