



## MEETING NO: 17-08 D BENEFIT REVIEW COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Benefit Review Committee of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday August 17, 2017. Present at the meeting were Committee members Copper, Wallace, Miller, Kuehne, and Thompson. Ms. Stanish was absent. Staff members present were: Kosiba, Davis, Janicki-Clark, Dixon, Hawkins and Rockett. IMRF medical consultants Dr. Rao and Dr. Miller were also present.

### (17-08-01)(Visual roll call)

Mr. Wallace presided as chairperson and called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

### (17-08-02) Approval of the committee meeting minutes from May 18, 2017.

Motion: Copper

Second: Kuehne

Ayes: Miller, Kuehne, Wallace, Thompson, and Copper

Nays: None

Motion Passed: 5-0

### (17-08-03) Iris Garcia-Total and Permanent Disability Denial

Ms. Garcia and her son, Alexander Wood appeared in person before the Committee. The Committee heard comments from the member and her son. The Committee heard comments from staff and staff reviewed the written materials submitted to the Committee.

**After further discussion, the Committee recommends that the Board uphold the staff decision denying total and permanent disability benefits to Iris Garcia**

Motion: Copper

Second: Thompson

Ayes: Miller, Wallace, Copper, Thompson, and Kuehne

Nays: None

Motion Passed: 5-0

Mr. Kosiba left the meeting

### (17-08-04) John M. Zarr, III- Temporary Disability Denial

Mr. Zarr and his father appeared by teleconference before the Committee. The Committee heard comments from the member and his father. The Committee heard comments from staff and staff reviewed the written materials submitted to the Committee.

**After further discussion, the Committee recommends that this case be referred to the IMRF vocational consultant for review with a suggestion that the consultant meet Mr. Zarr either personally or by video conference.**

Motion: Kuehne  
Second: Miller  
Ayes: Miller, Wallace, Copper, Thompson, and Kuehne  
Nays: None  
Motion Passed: 5-0

Dr. Miller left the meeting

(17-08-05) Cherie Harris, temporary disability termination

Ms. Harris appeared by teleconference before the Committee. The Committee heard comments from the member. The Committee heard comments from staff and staff reviewed the written materials submitted to the Committee.

**After further discussion, the Committee recommends that the staff decision to terminate Ms. Harris' temporary disability benefits be upheld.**

Motion: Copper  
Second: Kuehne  
Ayes: Miller, Wallace, Copper, Thompson, and Kuehne  
Nays: None  
Motion Passed: 5-0

(17-08-06) Findings and Conclusions of the IMRF Hearing Officer – Timothy Hayden

Mr. Kuehne recused himself from the meeting due to a personal conflict.

The Committee reviewed the findings and conclusions of the IMRF hearing officer in the Case of Timothy Hayden. Mr. Hayden was seeking participation in IMRF as the Director of Police for the Village of Addison.

**After further discussion, a motion was begrudgingly made to adopt the findings and conclusions of the IMRF hearing officer with the caveat that staff is directed to investigate Board action to further define the term "police protection duties" contained in Section 7-109 of the Illinois Pension Code and that staff further investigate potential legislative efforts to address this situation.**

Motion: Miller  
Second: Copper  
Ayes: Miller, Wallace, Copper, Thompson  
Nays: None  
Motion Passed: 4-0

(17-08-07) Old Business

There was no old business discussed.

(17-08-08) New Business

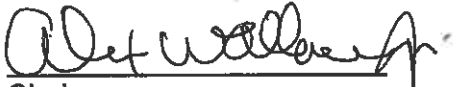
There was no new business discussed

(17-08-09)(Public Comments)

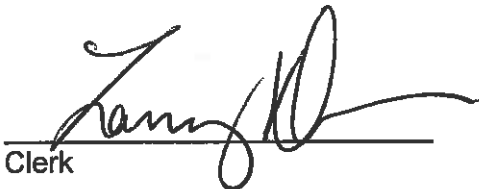
There were no public comments made

(17-08-10)(Adjournment)

Ms. Copper made a motion to adjourn at 1:13 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote

  
Chairperson

11-16-17  
Date

  
Clerk

11-17-17  
Date

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