MEETING NO: 18-05 D
BENEFIT REVIEW COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Benefit Review Committee of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday May 17, 2018. Present at the meeting were Committee members Copper, Wallace, Miller, and Thompson. Committee member Kuehne was absent. Staff members present were: Dixon, Shuliga, Collins, Janicki-Clark, and Davis.

(18-05-01) (Visual roll call)
Mr. Miller presided as chairperson and called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

(18-05-02) Approval of the committee meeting minutes from February 22, 2018.
Motion: Wallace
Second: Thompson
Ayes: Miller, Wallace, Thompson, and Copper
Nays: None
Motion Passed: 4-0

(18-05-03) David Benson—Return to Work

Mr. Benson and his wife appeared in person before the Committee. The Employer, Collinsville CUSD No. 10, appeared through Business Director Uta Robison via teleconference. As a preliminary matter, the Committee addressed whether to consider documents submitted by the Employer one day before the hearing. The Committee discussed whether to proceed with the hearing without considering the documents submitted by the employer, whether to postpone the hearing, or whether to hold the hearing and consider the documents submitted by the Employer.

After further discussion, Trustee Wallace made a motion to proceed with the hearing as scheduled, but to leave the matter open in order to allow the members of the Committee time to review the late materials submitted by the Employer before the Committee renders its final decision.

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

The Committee heard comments from the member, the Employer, and IMRF staff. At the conclusion of the hearing, the member and the Employer were instructed to provide any additional written materials relevant to this appeal no later than July 23, 2018. The hearing was left open and continued to the next regularly scheduled BRC on August 23, 2018. The member and Employer were informed that no appearance will be necessary at the August BRC.
Public Comments

At 11:00 am, IMRF Member Jeffrey Boyd made comment to the Committee. He stated that he had an administrative appeal heard by the IMRF Hearing Officer, but he believed that the appropriate body to hear his case was the IMRF Benefit Review Committee. He further stated that IMRF was consulted with and otherwise aware of the negotiations of his criminal plea agreement and the corresponding impact on his pension.

Findings and Conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer - Jeffrey Boyd

Associate General Counsel Shuliga presented the findings and conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer in the above referenced case. The Committee reviewed the findings and conclusions of the IMRF hearing officer.

After further discussion, a motion was made to adopt the findings and conclusion of the IMRF hearing officer in the above referenced case. The findings and conclusions are attached hereto.

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

Findings and Conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer - Williamson County

Associate General Counsel Shuliga presented the findings and conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer in the above referenced case. The Committee reviewed the findings and conclusions of the IMRF hearing officer.

After further discussion, a motion was made to adopt the findings and conclusion of the IMRF hearing officer in the above referenced case. The findings and conclusions are attached hereto.

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

Findings and Conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer - Christopher Karr

Associate General Counsel Shuliga presented the findings and conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer in the above referenced case. The Committee reviewed the findings and conclusions of the IMRF hearing officer.
After further discussion, Trustee Miller made a motion to reverse the findings and conclusion of the IMRF hearing officer in the above referenced case. The motion failed for lack of a second. Another motion was made to adopt the findings and conclusion of the IMRF hearing officer in the above referenced case. The findings and conclusions are attached hereto.

Motion: Copper
Second: Wallace
Ayes: Wallace, Copper, and Thompson
Nays: Miller
Motion Passed: 3-1

(18-05-08) Findings and Conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer - Steven Ballard

Associate General Counsel Shuliga presented the findings and conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer in the above referenced case. The Committee reviewed the findings and conclusions of the IMRF hearing officer.

After further discussion, a motion was made to adopt the findings and conclusion of the IMRF hearing officer in the above referenced case. The findings and conclusions are attached hereto.

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

(18-05-09) Findings and Conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer - Roberta Herakovich; James Spencer; and Champaign Park District

Associate General Counsel Shuliga presented the findings and conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer in the above referenced case. The Committee reviewed the findings and conclusions of the IMRF hearing officer.

After further discussion, a motion was made to adopt the findings and conclusion of the IMRF hearing officer in the above referenced case. The findings and conclusions are attached hereto.

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

(18-05-10) Findings and Conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer - Blake Lindner
Associate General Counsel Shuliga presented the findings and conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer in the above referenced case. The Committee reviewed the findings and conclusions of the IMRF hearing officer.

After further discussion, a motion was made to table the decision on the above referenced matter and to request the IMRF Hearing Officer attend the August 23, 2018 Benefit Review Committee to further explain her findings and conclusion.

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

(18-05-11) Findings and Conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer - Kathleen McNamara

Associate General Counsel Shuliga presented the findings and conclusion of the IMRF Hearing Officer in the above referenced case. The Committee reviewed the findings and conclusions of the IMRF hearing officer.

After further discussion, a motion was made to adopt the findings and conclusion of the IMRF hearing officer in the above referenced case. The findings and conclusions are attached hereto.

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

(18-05-12) Old Business
There was no old business discussed.

(18-05-13) New Business
There was no old business discussed.

(18-05-14) Adjournment
Copper made a motion to adjourn at 12:05 p.m. Seconded by Miller. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote
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