

**MEETING NO: 11-04-D
BENEFIT REVIEW COMMITTEE**

The Regular Meeting of the Benefit Review Committee of the Board of Trustees was held on Thursday, April 28, 2011, at 2211 York Road, Oak Brook, Illinois. Present at the meeting were Committee members Copper, Shoop, and Rademacher; and IMRF staff members, Dixon, Seputis, O'Brien, Janicki Clark, Carr, and Raitt.

(11-04-01)(Roll call)

Ms. Rademacher presided as chairperson and called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m.

(11-04-02)(Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes)

The Benefits Manager presented the minutes from the Committee meeting held on February 24, 2011.

After discussion, Mr. Shoop moved to approve the minutes. Seconded by Mrs. Copper.

Aye: Unanimous voice vote

(11-04-03)(Total and Permanent Disability Eligibility Extent Denial Hearing – Miguel H. Cano-Herrera – Village of Lincolnwood)

See attached report

After further discussion, the Committee recommends that the Board approve the application for total and permanent disability benefits filed by Miguel Cano-Herrera.

Motion: Shoop
Second: Copper
Ayes: Cooper, Shoop, Rademacher
Nays: None
Motion passed: 3-0

(11-04-04)(Total and Permanent Disability Eligibility Extent Denial Hearing – Gary W. McCluskey – Park Ridge SD #64)

Gary McCluskey appeared before the Committee via telephone conference call. The Committee heard comments from Mr. McCluskey regarding his claimed medical condition. Mr. McCluskey answered questions from the Committee. The Committee also heard comments from Dr. Rao. Finally, the Committee reviewed the written materials that were submitted to the Committee by staff.

After further discussion, the Committee defers making a recommendation to the Board regarding the application for total and permanent disability benefits filed by Gary McCluskey.

Furthermore, the Committee requests that staff obtain Mr. McCluskey's medical records for his January 2011 surgery, the medical records from his treating rheumatologist, and a copy of his social security award letter.

Following receipt of the additional medical records, the Committee requests that Mr. McCluskey to undergo an Independent Medical Examination by a certified rheumatologist.

Staff, and the IMRF Medical Consultant are requested to review this information. If there is no change in staff's determination, this matter is to be returned to the Committee.

Motion: Shoop
Second: Copper
Ayes: Cooper, Shoop, Rademacher
Nays: None
Motion passed: 3-0

(11-04-05)(Lunch Break)

Dr. Rao left the meeting

(11-04-06)(Disputed Denial of Request to Elect a Reversionary Beneficiary – Joseph Jolivette)

See attached report

After further discussion, the Committee concurs with staff's determination and recommends that the Board deny the request of Joseph Jolivette to designate a reversionary annuitant.

Motion: Shoop
Second: Copper
Ayes: Copper, Shoop, Rademacher
Nays: None
Motion passed: 3-0

(11-04-07)(Disputed Return to Work Hearing – Sharon Sala, Donna Hrusosky, and Patricia Svetlecich- Joliet Township HS District #204)

See attached report

After further discussion, the Committee recommends that the Board uphold staff's determination that Ms. Sala returned to qualifying employment for the years 2007 through 2009, that Ms. Hrusosky returned to qualifying employment for the years

2007 through 2009, and that Ms. Svetlecich returned to qualifying employment for the years from 2005 through 2007.

Furthermore the Committee recommends that the Board find that each of these retirees has a prepayment of benefits made during the above mentioned employment periods; and that this prepayment be recovered in full, from each of the retirees, in a reasonable period of time not to exceed eight years.

Motion: Shoop
Second: Copper
Ayes Shoop, Copper
Nays: Rademacher

Motion passed: 2-1

(11-04-08)(Adjournment)

Ms. Copper made a motion to adjourn at 2:55 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Shoop.

Unanimous voice vote

The next regular scheduled meeting of the Committee will be at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday May 19, 2011.

Chairperson

Date

Clerk

Date