

**ARIZONA FIRE & MEDICAL AUTHORITY
LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM
BOARD MEETING**

Monday, June 27, 2022

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS / AFFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Board Chairman Gueltzow called the meeting to order on Monday, June 27, 2022, at 09:00 a.m. at the Arizona Fire & Medical Authority Administrative Office, 18818 N. Spanish Garden Drive, Sun City West, Arizona. The meeting was held in person and telephonically.

Members Present: Board Chairman Karen Gueltzow, Board Member Diane Price (in person), Board Members Shawn Holcomb, Sharon Hettick, and Jared Randall (via teleconference).

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Assistant Chief Mary Dalton, Human Resources Director Shauna Fisher, Human Resources Specialist Yvonne Lopez.

Legal Counsel: Nicolas J. Cornelius, Esq.

Guests: None

2. SALUTE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Omitted from meeting

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approve Minutes of the Regular Pension Board Meeting of November 30, 2021.

Board Member Price moved that the Local Board approve the minutes of the Pension Board Meeting of November 30, 2021. Board Member Holcomb seconded the motion.

No further discussion. Vote conducted. **MOTION CARRIED.**

AYES: Gueltzow, Holcomb, Price, Randall, Hettick
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

4. REGULAR BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and Action pertaining to the retention of the legal services being provided by Nicolas J. Cornelius, Esq. to the PSPRS Local Fire Board.**

Board Member Holcomb moved that the local Board accept retention of the legal services being provided by Nicolas J. Cornelius, Esq. to the PSPRS Local Fire Board Member Price seconded the motion.

Legal Counsel gave an introduction and overall statement of his credentials.
Vote conducted. **MOTION CARRIED.**

AYES: Holcomb, Hettick, Gueltzow, Price, Randall
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

- B. Discussion and possible action to review newly adopted Model Uniform Rules as recommended by Legal Counsel.**

Board Member Holcomb moved that the local Board approve the newly adopted Model Uniform Rules as recommended by Legal Counsel. Board Member Hettick seconded the motion.

Legal Counsel gave training and discussed the procedures of the Model Uniform Rules. Legal Counsel advised the board that the Model Uniform Rules are the guidelines and criteria in which PRPS follows.

Vote conducted. **MOTION CARRIED.**

AYES: Holcomb, Hettick, Gueltzow, Price, Randall
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

- C. Discuss Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) Annual Actuarial Report.**

Board Member Price moved that the Governing Board approve Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) Annual Actuarial Report effective on June 27, 2022. Board Member Holcomb seconded the motion.

No further discussion. Vote conducted. **MOTION CARRIED.**

AYES: Holcomb, Hettick, Gueltzow, Price, Randall
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

Assistant Chief Dalton stated that the actuarial report projects the financial liabilities faced by the pension system including employer funding levels and contribution rates.

Discussion ensued between Board Members indicating the report is provided every two years, and that as of June 27, 2022, we are over 95% funded. Legal Counsel gave a detail explanation of why it is important for the board to be aware of this report.

- D. Enter into record, the list of participating PSPRS employee membership as of June 5, 2022.

Board Member Randall moved that the Governing Board approve enter into record, the list of participating PSPRS employee membership list as of June 5, 2022. Board Member Holcomb seconded the motion.

No further discussion. Vote conducted. **MOTION CARRIED.**

AYES: Gueltzow, Holcomb, Price, Randall, Hettick
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

- E. Consideration and possible acceptance pertaining to the review of medical examination and the acceptance of two (2) new firefighter (recruit) with a pre-existing condition: Kody Kohl, Andrew Kohl and two (2) promotion Alexander Hobik and Shane Wright from EMT to Firefighter into the PSPRS system pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-859.

Board Member Price moved that the Governing Board approve medical examination and the acceptance of two (2) new firefighter (recruits) with a pre-existing condition: Kody Kohl, Andrew Kohl and two (2) promotions Alexander Hobik and Shane Wright from EMT to Firefighter into the PSPRS system pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-859 with notice to Alexander Hobik of the Uniform Rules for an appeals process. Board Member Randall seconded the motion.

All recruits were officially notified of the Board’s review of their medical records today. Notice was received by Alexander Hobik contest one of the pre-existing conditions listed. Counsel advised to provide Alexander Hobik a copy of the Uniform Rules for an appeal process and allow him the opportunity and time to do so.

A motion was made to approve Tier 3 Firefighter recruits into the PSPRS system as follows: Kody Kohl WITH preexisting conditions, Andrew Kohl WITH preexisting conditions and two (2) promotion Alexander Hobik and Shane Wright from EMT to Firefighter WITH preexisting conditions.

No further discussion. Vote conducted. **MOTION CARRIED.**

AYES: Holcomb, Hettick, Gueltzow, Price, Randall
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

- F. Consideration and action pertaining to the appointment of Yvonne Lopez as the Board Secretary.

Board Member Price moved that the Governing Board approve the appointment of Yvonne Lopez as the Board Secretary. Board Member Holcomb seconded the motion.

No further discussion. Vote conducted. **MOTION CARRIED.**

AYES: Holcomb, Hettick, Gueltzow, Price, Randall
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

5. THE NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Will be scheduled as required by Arizona Revised Statutes or earlier, as needed.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Yvonne Lopez, Secretary

APPROVED