

Minutes

Tempe Fire and Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Boards

October 3, 2024

Minutes of the Tempe Fire and Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Boards joint meeting hosted virtually via Cisco WebEx and in person at the Human Resources Conference Room located at 20 E. 6th Street Tempe, AZ 85281 on Thursday October 3, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

Board Members Present (via Webex):

Andy Arredondo
Michael Bloomer
Bill Munch
Mike Scheidt

Board Members Present (in person):

Keith Burke
Alex Moreno

Board Members Absent:

Kyle Carman

City Staff Present (via Webex):

Kathleen Broman, HR Manager
Nichole Gonzalez, Workers Comp. Specialist
Matt Quick, HR Specialist

City Staff Present (in person):

Tammy Milhon, HR Specialist
Sarah Jenkins, Management Assistant II

Legal Counsel Present (in person):

Lesli Sorensen

Chair Keith Burke called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

1. Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session, if necessary

No Executive Session was held.

2. Local Board Policies for Accidental Disability Benefit Applications

Chair Burke said that at the April 4, 2024 board meeting, Boardmembers asked for additional time to review the document tentatively titled "Guidelines for Disability Applicants". The document has been included in the board's packet for review. The item was opened for discussion.

Ms. Sorensen said that no further comments or edits were received. The document is structured so that it could be shared with people applying for disability benefits as a resource. It does not substitute for Arizona law or other guidelines but is the Board's perspective on what constitutes a complete application, what the process for the board is so the applicant has as much information as possible in this unique and unknown (until they are in it) process. There was general discussion on how the document would be utilized. Ms. Sorensen said that probably the most important item to note is what the Board considers a complete packet and that a medical doctor or D.O would indicate that someone is totally and permanently disabled prior to sending an applicant to an IME.

Motion by Michael Bloomer to approve the Guidelines for Disability Applicants; second by Andy Arredondo.
Motion passed on a voice vote 6-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Bloomer, Moreno, Munch, and Scheidt

Nays: None

Absent: Boardmember Carman

3. 2025 Board Meeting & Submittal Deadline Schedule

Board Secretary Kathleen Broman said that included in the Board packet is the proposed meeting schedule for 2025. Two dates to bring to the Board's attention – July 3, 2025 and January 1, 2026. The item was opened for discussion. Chair Burke said that the July meeting is typically cancelled due to the holiday; boardmembers agreed with cancelling that meeting. Since January 1, 2026 is a holiday, Chair Burke asked if moving the meeting one week later to January 8, 2026 would be okay with Boardmembers. Boardmembers agreed and there was no further discussion.

Motion by Andy Arredondo to approve the 2025 Board Meeting & Submittal Deadline Schedule with noted adjustments to July 3, 2025 and January 1, 2026; second by Alex Moreno. Motion passed on a voice vote 6-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Bloomer, Moreno, Munch, and Scheidt

Nays: None

Absent: Boardmember Carman

4. Future Agenda Items

There were no future agenda items discussed.

5. Public Appearances

There were no public appearances.

Adjournment

Motion by Alex Moreno to adjourn to the meeting; second by Michael Bloomer. Motion passed on a voice vote 6-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Bloomer, Moreno, Munch, and Scheidt

Nays: None

Absent: Boardmember Carman

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Kathleen Broman, Local Board Secretary