

Minutes Tempe Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Board October 6, 2022

Minutes of the Tempe Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement System Board 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 6, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

Board Members Present (via Cisco WebEx): Board Members Present (in person): Board Members Absent:

Andy Arredondo Keith Burke Johnny Tse

Rob Ferraro Alex Moreno

<u>City Staff Present (via Cisco WebEx):</u> <u>City Staff Present (in person):</u> <u>Legal Counsel Present (via Cisco</u>

WebEx):

Rebecca Strisko, Human Resources Director

Matt Quick, HR Specialist

Nichole Martinez, Worker's Compensation

Program Specialist

Sarah Jenkins, Management Assistant II Lesli Sorensen

Tammy Milhon, HR Specialist

Chair Keith Burke called the meeting to order at 2:14 p.m.

1. Consideration of Meeting Minutes

Motion by Alex Moreno to approve the August 4, 2022 Police PSPRS Board Meeting Minutes and the August 4, 2022 Police PSPRS Executive Session Meeting Minutes; second by Andy Arredondo. Motion passed on a voice vote 4-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro and Moreno

Nays: None

Absent: Boardmember Tse

2. Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session, if necessary

Motion by Alex Moreno to adjourn to Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the Board's Legal Counsel and to discuss records confidential by law; second by Rob Ferraro. Motion passed on a voice vote 4-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro and Moreno

Nays: None

Absent: Boardmember Tse

The Board adjourned to Executive Session at 2:16 p.m. The Board reconvened at 2:35 p.m.

3. Board Appointment

Board Secretary Rebecca Strisko said that Keith Burke was appointed as the mayor's designee, and Chair to term effective August 18, 2022 to June 30, 2024.

4. Board Expenditures – 2nd Quarter 2022

Ms. Strisko stated that information on Board expenditures for the second quarter of 2022 was included in the Board meeting packet. There was no further discussion.

5. New Members

Motion by Alex Moreno to approve the new member applications of Victor Barajas (pre-existing condition), James Blair (pre-existing condition), Anthony Burke, Nicholas Christy (pre-existing condition), Lucy Gallegos-Candia, Christian Gudmundsson (pre-existing condition), Christopher Heckel (pre-existing condition), Zachary Hyde (pre-existing condition), Walter Marinero (pre-existing condition), Chad Marr (pre-existing condition), Robert Martin, Shawn McCarthy (pre-existing condition), Gilbert Mugica, Nicholas Peeler (pre-existing condition), Vincent Schnayer (pre-existing condition), Gavin Young (pre-existing condition). Connor St. Germain (pre-existing condition) and Dorian Paige will be conditionally approved pending additional documentation; second by Rob Ferraro. Motion passed on a voice vote 4-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro and Moreno

Nays: None

Absent: Boardmember Tse

6. Hearing on the Application for Accidental Disability Benefits for Jeffrey Corder

Chair Burke said that this is the continuation of the hearing on the application for accidental disability benefits for Jeffrey Corder. At the April 7, 2022 meeting the Board approved moving Mr. Corder forward to an Independent Medical Examination (IME). The Board has received the results of the IMEs. At today's hearing, the Board must determine whether the documentation submitted is sufficient to make a determination on Mr. Corder's application.

Motion by Alex Moreno to table the application for no more than 12 months so the applicant can obtain treatment as recommended by the Board's Medical Board. Mr. Corder, or his attorney, shall provide updated treatment records and other relevant information by March 24, 2023 and July 21, 2023 so that the matter may be considered at a future meeting. The Board notes at this time that Mr. Corder filed his application after the disabling incident or within one year of ceasing to be an employee; second by Rob Ferraro. Motion passed on a voice vote 4-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro and Moreno

Nays: None

Absent: Boardmember Tse

7. Hearing on the Application for Accidental Disability Benefits for Matthew Feddeler

Chair Burke stated that this is the continuation of the hearing on the application for accidental disability benefits for Matthew Feddeler. At the August 4, 2022 meeting, the Board voted to table the Application pending receipt of additional information from a provider. In addition, the redacted portions of the application were requested to be unredacted and sent directly to the Board's Legal Counsel for review. The additional information has been provided to the Board. At today's hearing, the Board must determine whether the documentation submitted is sufficient to conclude that the statutory requirements are satisfied for the Board to direct that Mr. Feddeler be sent for an Independent Medical Exam (IME). Chair Burke asked if anyone wished to address the Board. Mr. Feddeler's legal counsel, Dale Norris said that he received the unredacted records and he doesn't see anything that changes the diagnosis. Mr. Norris believes that the records provide sufficient documentation for the Board to send Mr. Feddeler for an IME. There was no further discussion.

Motion by Rob Ferraro based on evidence submitted to direct that Matthew Feddeler be sent for an Independent Medical Exam (IME) and have the results sent to the Local Board; second by Alex Moreno. Motion passed on a voice vote 4-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro and Moreno

Nays: None

Absent: Boardmember Tse

8. 2023 Meeting & Submittal Deadline Schedule

Ms. Strisko said that the draft 2023 Meeting & Submittal Deadline Schedule was included in the packet for the Board's consideration. There was no further discussion.

Motion by Alex Moreno to approve the 2023 Meeting & Submittal Deadline Schedule; second by Rob Ferraro Motion passed on a voice vote 4-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro and Moreno

Nays: None

Absent: Boardmember Tse

9. PSPRS Updates

Ms. Strisko said that the Taxation Changes for Public Safety Cancer Insurance was included in the board packet.

10. Future Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled for November 3, 2022.

11. Future Agenda Items

The Board would like to explore hybrid or alternative virtual options for future meetings.

12. Public Appearances

There were no public appearances.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Alex Moreno; second by Rob Ferraro. Motion passed on a voice vote 4-0.

Ayes: Chair Burke; Boardmembers Arredondo, Ferraro and Moreno

Nays: None

Absent: Boardmember Tse

The meeting adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

Rebecca Strisko, Local Board Secretary