



PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF IDAHO
607 North 8th Street
BOISE, IDAHO 83702

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
OF RETIREMENT BOARD

The Board of the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho met at the PERSI Administration Building, 607 North Eighth Street in Boise, Idaho at 3:30 p.m., June 21, 2017. The following members were present:

Jody Olson
Kirk Sullivan
Jeff Cielk
Joy Fisher (by phone)
Celia Gould (by phone)

Executive Director Don Drum (by phone), Chief Investment Officer Bob Maynard, Deputy Director Michael Hampton, Deputy Attorney Generals Cheryl George and Roger Gabel, Public Information Officer Jenny Flint, and Member Services Supervisor Jess Simonds were in attendance.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Knoll Disability Appeal: On April 13, 2017, the Hearing Officer issued Proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Recommended Order ("Recommended Order") in this matter. On April 26, 2017, a Petition for Reconsideration (dated April 20, 2017) was received by the Hearing Officer. A copy of that Petition was forwarded to all parties on April 27, 2017. The Hearing Officer's Denial of the Petition for Reconsideration was served on all parties on April 28, 2017. Twenty-one days have passed since service of the Denial of Petition for Reconsideration and no written exceptions have been filed. Pursuant to Idaho Code Section 67-5244(2), the Board is now required to either:

- (a) issue a final order in writing...;
- (b) remand the matter for additional hearings; or
- (c) hold additional hearings.

Trustee Sullivan stated that he had read and heard the discussion on the matter. Trustee Sullivan made a motion that Petitioner Knoll's disability retirement application be denied in accordance with the governing law regarding such claims and, further, instructed the Board secretary to certify the Final Order denying Petitioner's request on appeal. Trustee Cilek seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Legislative Ideas: The legislative process requires agencies to submit "legislative ideas" to DFM for review by July 14th, 2017. Final approval of proposed legislation is by the Governor's Office.

PERSI staff and counsel has identified three to submit to the Board for review and approval.

- 1) Update §59-1302 Definitions to further define eligibility requirements or specifically define the term "Ineligible". Currently PERSI uses the term ineligible in circumstances where members are not eligible to participate and not required to contribute as an employee, not eligible to retire, and not eligible to receive a separation benefit.

2) Update §59-1346 Computation of Early Retirement Allowances to include language or reference to language used in §59-1342 Computation of Service Retirement Allowances. Staff has determined there is a possible conflict between these two sections with regards to language used on a specific calculation of retirement benefit when a member has a significant break in service. Adding or referencing this language in §59-1346 would clarify the same calculation would be used for either a service retirement or an early retirement.


3) Update §72-1432 Pension Fund Contributions by Cities and Fire Districts – Remittances to add clarifying language automatically transferring the existing FRF liability to a city or fire district that annexes another city or fire district.

Staff would like Board approval to submit these legislative ideas to DFM. Upon DFM approval of legislative ideas, staff and counsel will develop proposed legislation for Board review and approval, prior to final submission to DFM for the Governor's review.

Trustee Cilek made a motion that the Board approve Staff to submit the three (3) proposed legislative ideas to DFM, reserving the right to review the final submitted language. Trustee Fisher seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Announcement: Chairman Olson announced his plan to retire from the PERSI Board and not serve another term. He stated his preference was for this meeting be his last as a PERSI Trustee. Chairman Olson thanked his fellow Board members, PERSI staff, and all PERSI members for the opportunity and privilege to serve as a Trustee for the past 30 years. Board members and staff present at the meeting thanked Chairman Olson for his dedication and service to PERSI.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.



Donald D. Drum
Executive Director



Celia R. Gould
Acting-Chairman