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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 10:30 a.m., August 13, 2018 for a special Board meeting. The following members were present:

Jeff Cilek
Kirk Sullivan
Celia Gould

Trustee Park Price, Trustee Joy Fisher and Executive Director Don Drum attended telephonically. Deputy Attorney General Cheryl George and Management Assistant Lena Rupp were also in attendance. Other persons attending all or portions of the meeting were:

Ken Geddes Retiree Darren Trumbull PERSI

At 10:33 a.m., Chairman Cilek called the meeting to order. He welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Chairman Cilek turned the time over to Deputy Attorney General Cheryl George to give a brief introduction on the contested case before the Board and the options being reviewed today.

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Contested Case before the Board:
Kenneth Geddes – Petition for Reconsideration: Deputy Attorney General Cheryl George stated that at the July Board meeting, the Board voted to accept the Hearing Officer’s findings of fact and conclusions of law. With the filing of the petition for reconsideration, the Board has several options:

1) Deny the motion to reconsider as no new evidence or argument was presented.

2) Reconsider the decision made by the Board in July. After reviewing the evidence from the hearing and the post hearing documents, the Board may:
   a. Affirm the Hearing Officer’s findings and conclusions;
   b. Rejecting the Hearing Officer’s findings and conclusions. This would require the Board to make its own findings and conclusions;
   c. Modifying the Hearing Officer’s findings and conclusions; or
   d. Remand the case back to the Hearing Officer to make additional findings if there is an issue or evidence that the Board feels was not fully argued.
Chairman Cilek turned the time over to Kenneth Geddes to provide any information to the Board that he believes has been misunderstood or not fully considered.

Mr. Geddes gave a review of his time as a school resource officer as an employee of Preston School District. Mr. Geddes also reviewed his continued relationship with Franklin County Sheriff's office while he was working as a school resource officer. He also provided a timeline review of his efforts to request his status be changed to Class 2.

Due to a scheduling conflict, Director Drum disconnected from the teleconference and left the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Deputy Attorney General George reminded the Board that any comments made during the Board meeting today are not part of testimony and this meeting today is not a hearing.

At Chairman Cilek's request, Deputy Attorney General George re-explained the options available to the Board today. Ms. George stated that the Board can deny the motion to reconsider or they may reconsider the decision made in July and select to affirm the Hearing Officer's findings and conclusions; reject the Hearing Officer's findings and conclusions which would require the Board to make its own findings and conclusions; modify the Hearing Officer's findings and conclusions; or remand the case back to the Hearing Officer to make additional findings if there is an issue or evidence that the Board feels was not fully argued.

After extensive discussion, Trustee Sullivan made a motion that the Board remand the case back to the Hearing Officer to address a list of specific questions that will be provided by the Board no later than August 20th. Trustee Gould seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimously.

Chairman Cilek thanked Mr. Geddes for his time to come speak to the Board. The Board takes its fiduciary responsibilities very seriously and they must also follow the options available to them through statute.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 12:34 p.m.