

MINUTES OF THE DISABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE
OF THE
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

November 9, 2007

A meeting of the Disability Sub-Committee of the Rhode Island Retirement Board (hereinafter "Committee") was held on November 9, 2007 in the Board Room of the Employees' Retirement System, 40 Fountain Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

The following Committee members were present: William Finelli, Michael Boyce, Susan Rodriguez, Daniel Beardsley and Mark Dingley.

Also in attendance were: Dr. Christopher Ley, Medical Advisor; William O'Gara, General Counsel; Salvatore Lombardi, Mary-Ann Penorio, Gloria Bernstein, Arne Perry, and Frank Karpinski, Employees' Retirement System.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Recognizing a quorum, Chairperson William Finelli called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A draft of the minutes of the October 5, 2007 meeting were mailed to the Committee members for review prior to the meeting, and

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez, it was unanimously:

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the meeting of October 5, 2007.

The following applications were presented for consideration:

Ann Krajewski

A 59 year old teacher with the Town of Johnstown for 11 years and 3 months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by the three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Dingley, it was unanimously:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **DENY** the application for an accidental disability retirement.

William Porter

A 47 year State worker with the State Inspection Facility for 8 years and 6 months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by the three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Dingley and seconded by Mr. Beardsley, it was:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **DENY** the application for an accidental retirement by a margin of 4-1. Mr. Boyce declaring yea.

Gerald Ragosta

A 50 year old State worker with the Rhode Island Department of Corrections for 5 years and 3 months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Dingley and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez, it was unanimously:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **TABLE** the application for an accidental disability retirement.

Tisha Williams

A 36 year old State worker with the Eleanor Slater Hospital for 1 year and 11 months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley, it was unanimously:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **APPROVE** the application for an accidental disability retirement.

4. Ordinary Disability

Gary Gizarelli A 50 year old State worker with the Capital Police for 21 years and 9 months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Dingley and seconded by Mr. Beardsley, it was unanimously:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **APPROVE** the application for an ordinary disability pension.

Bruce Kimball A 56 year old State worker with the Department of Transportation for 23 years and months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by the three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Dingley, it was unanimously:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **APPROVE** the application for an ordinary disability retirement.

Paul Levasseur A 49 year old State worker with MHRH for 18 years and 9 months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by the three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Dingley it was unanimously:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **APPROVE** the application for an ordinary disability retirement.

Nancy Lombardi

A 59 year old municipal worker with the Chariho School District for 16 years and 0 months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by the three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Dingley and seconded by Mr. Beardsley it was unanimously:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **APPROVE** the application for an ordinary disability retirement.

Elaine Maculan

A 61 year old municipal worker with Woonsocket Education Department for 7 years and 0 months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by the three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley it was unanimously:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **APPROVE** the application for an ordinary disability retirement.

Amy Soscia

A 52 year old State worker with Department of Education for 18 years and 1 months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by the three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez it was unanimously:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **APPROVE** the application for an ordinary disability retirement.

Glenn Vekman

A 53 year old State worker with Rhode Island College 12 years and 4 months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by the three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Boyce it was unanimously:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **APPROVE** the application for an ordinary disability retirement.

LillyAnn Werle A 59 year old State worker with the West Greenwich School District for 18 years and 9 months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by the three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Dingley and seconded by Mr. Boyce it was unanimously:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **APPROVE** the application for an ordinary disability retirement.

5. Reconsideration - Accidental

Deborah Perito A 55 year old State worker with the MHRH for 17 years and 2 months.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by the three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley, it was unanimously:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **APPROVE** the application for an accidental disability retirement.

Michael Marcello A 35 year old municipal worker with the Warren Police Department for 10 years and 1 month.

After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a notion duly made by

Mr. Dingley and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez, it was voted 3 – 2 with Mr. Boyce and Mr. Finelli voting yea:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **Deny** the application for an accidental disability retirement.

6. HEARINGS

Accidental/Ordinary

The following appeals were heard:

Mitchell Adams	A 49 year old municipal worker with the North Providence Fire Department for 11 years and 9 months.
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After reviewing the application, supporting documentation, the medical reports submitted by the three physicians engaged by the Retirement System and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley, it was:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve** the application for an accidental disability retirement.

7. NEW BUSINESS

None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Sub-Committee, it was unanimously

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 12:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Arne C. Perry

November 15, 2007

