

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

August 3, 2007

A meeting of the Disability Sub-Committee of the Rhode Island Retirement Board (hereinafter "Committee") was held on August 3, 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; Carrie Kelly, Salvatore Lombardi, Gloria Bernstein, Arne Perry, and Diane Bourne, Employees' Retirement System.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Recognizing a quorum, Chairperson William Finelli called the meeting to order at 9:05 A.M.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A draft of the minutes of the July 6, 2007 meeting were mailed to the Committee members for review prior to the meeting. Mr. Dingley indicated several corrections necessary to Mr. Perry and

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Dingley, it was:

VOTED: To approve the corrected minutes of the meeting of July 6, 2007.

The following applications were presented for consideration:

3. ORDINARY DISABILITY

Wayne Flaherty A 48 year old state worker with the State Of Rhode Island for 6 years and 10 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 **approve** the application for an ordinary disability retirement.

Mary Anne Kwolek A 56 year old teacher with the North Kingstown School Department for 15 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. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Dingley, it was unanimously:

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

Dean Pacia A 45 year old state worker with the State Of Rhode Island for 23 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.

Patricia Quinn A 58 year old teacher with the Central Falls School Department for 5 years and 1 month.

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.

ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY

Alan Grace

A 58 year old state worker with the Department of Corrections for 5 years and 1 month.

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:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **table** the application for an accidental retirement pending requests for additional information regarding the disability application and further medical records.

Paula Harrington

A 58 year old state worker with the Eleanor Slater Hospital for 15 years and 10 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. Dingley, it was:

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

Diane Prout

A 54 year old state worker with the Eleanor Slater Hospital for 11 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:

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

RECONSIDERATION- Accidental

Mitchell Adams

A 49 year old municipal worker with the North Providence School Department for 11 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. Beardsley, it was unanimously:

VOTED:

By a 3-2 vote, with Mr. Dingley, Mr. Beardsley and Ms. Rodriguez voting yea and Mr. Finelli and Mr. Boyce voting nay, to recommend that the Retirement Board **deny** the application for an accidental disability retirement.

Gayle Leonard

A 60 year old State worker with DCYF for 11 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. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Dingley it was:

VOTED:

To recommend that the Retirement Board **table** the application for an accidental disability retirement pending requests for information regarding medical reports.

Leslie Theberge

A 40 year old State worker with the Eleanor Slater Hospital for 5 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. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Boyce, it was:

VOTED:

To recommend that the Retirement Board **approve** the application for an accidental disability retirement.

HEARINGS

On a motion by Mr. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley it was unanimously voted to reschedule the hearings of Lynn Vinacco, Richard Delbonis, Sr., and George Barrett, Jr. to a later date.

The following appeals were heard:

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

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 Ms. Rodriguez, it was:

VOTED: By a 2-2 vote, with Mr. Beardsley abstaining, to recommend that the Retirement Board **table** the application for an accidental disability retirement to the September meeting.

Beatriz Maldonado A 56 year old teacher with the Providence School Department for 12 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 disability retirement.

3. NEW BUSINESS

None.

4. ADJOURNMENT

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

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 12:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Arne C. Perry
August 22, 2007