

MINUTES OF THE DISABILITY SUB-COMMITTEE
OF THE
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

May 9, 2008

A meeting of the Disability Sub-Committee of the Rhode Island Retirement Board (hereinafter "Committee") was held on May 9, 2008 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, Dan Beardsley and Mark Dingley.

Also in attendance were: Michael Robinson, General Counsel; Dr. Christopher Ley, Medical Advisor, Gloria Bernstein, Arne Perry, Gail Mambro-Martin and Frank Karpinski, Employees' Retirement System.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Recognizing a quorum, Chairperson William Finelli called the meeting to order at 9:04 A.M.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A draft of the minutes of the April 4, 2008 meeting were mailed to the Committee members for review prior to the meeting, and

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

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the meeting of April 4, 2008

The following applications were presented for consideration:

3. RECONSIDERATION ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY

William Porter A 47 year old automotive service specialist 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. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Dingley, it was unanimously:

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

Donald Deshaies A 57 year old State worker with URI for 13 years and 5 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:

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

John McNulty A 58 year old correctional officer with the State Department of Corrections for 24 years and 8 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. Beardsey and seconded by Mr. Dingley, it was:

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

Ann Krajewski A 59 year old teacher with the Johnston Public Schools 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. Dingley and seconded by Mr. Beardsley, it was:

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

Alan Grace A 58 year old correction officer with the State
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. Boyce and seconded by Mr. Beardsley, it was:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **Approve**
the application for an accidental disability
retirement by a vote of 4 - 1 with Mr. Dingley
voting nay.

4. Reconsideration - Ordinary Disability

Karen Oliver A 56 year old teacher with the Providence School
Department for 13 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:

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

5. Accidental

Donna Ciafrei A 60 year old senior intern with the Department of
Labor for 17 years and 5 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 Ms. Rodriguez, it was:

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

Theodore DeWolfe 40 year old correctional officer with the
Department of Corrections for 16 years 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. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Dingley, it was:

VOTED: To recommend that the Retirement Board **Deny** the application for an accidental disability retirement by a vote of 4 - I with Mr. Boyce voting nay.

David Thatcher A 52 year old environmental crime investigator with the Office of Criminal Investigation for 26 years and 5 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:

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

Sylvia Sampson A 65 year old community living aide with the MHRH for 23 years 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. Dingley, it was:

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

Charles Swenson A 57 year old CNA with the MHRH for 24 years and 8 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.

Lucille Desjardins

A 60 year old CNA with the Eleanor Slater Hospital for 5 years and 7 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:

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

Anthony DiLorenzo

A 56 year old painter with the Pastore Center for 16 years and 8 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 ordinary disability pension.

David Meltzer

A 52 year old teacher with the Barrington Public School Department for 18 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 Ms. Rodriguez, it was:

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

Linda Smith

A 47 year old teacher with the Newport Public School Department for 5 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 Ms. Rodriguez and seconded by Mr. Boyce it was:

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

7.. Hearings Accidental/Ordinary

Duc Powers

A 34 year old detective with the Cranston Police Department for II 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. Dingley and seconded by Mr. Beardsley it was:

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

Patricia Logan

A 59 year old social case worker at the DCYF for 15 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. Dingley and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez it was:

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

Brian Castro

At the request of the attorney for Mr. Castro the Hearing scheduled for April 9, 2008 has been moved to May 2008.

8. NEW BUSINESS

None

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Sub-Committee, and upon a motion duly made by Mr. Beardsley and seconded by Mr. Dingley, it was unanimously:

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting at 11:35 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Arne C. Perry

April 13, 2008