

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

November 6, 2009

A meeting of the Disability Sub-Committee of the Rhode Island Retirement Board (hereinafter "Committee") was held on November 6, 2009 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: Michael Robinson, General Counsel; Dr. Christopher Ley, Medical Advisor, Gloria Bernstein, Arne Perry, Gayle Mambo-Martin, Sal Lombardi and Frank Karpinski, 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 October 9, 2009 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 Mr. Beardsley, it was:

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the meeting of October 9,
2009

The following applications were then presented for consideration:

3. RECONSIDERATION -ACCIDENTAL

1. William McDonald A 63 year old state, supervisor with the Department of Environmental Management for 25 years and 4 months. (Deceased)

VOTED: This was a continuation of a Hearing. Upon a motion made by Mr. Beardsley an seconded by Mr. Dingley, it was unanimously voted to recommend that the Retirement Board uphold its previous decision to **Deny** the application for an accidental disability retirement.

2. Jane Manahan A 63 year old state, supervisor with DHS Child Support for 22 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 Mr. Boyce, it was unanimously:

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

3. Angelo Riccitelli A40 year old state, firefighter with the North Providence Fire Department for 5 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 Ms. Rodriguez, it was unanimously:

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

4. Randy Hagenberg A 42 year old state, deputy sheriff with the RI Division of Sheriffs for 11 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. Boyce it was:

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

5. Scott Strickland A 36 year old municipal, patrolman with the Woonsocket Police Department for 10 years and 6 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.

6. John Houle A 49 year old state, firefighter with the Quonset Fire Department for 6 years and 4 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 Ms. Rodriguez and seconded by Mr. Dingley, it was unanimously:

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

4. RECONSIDERATION - ORDINARY

None

5. ACCIDENTAL – New

7. Paul Vollaro A 55 year old municipal, general maintenance operator with the Town of Bristol Public Works for 27 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 Ms. Rodriguez, it was unanimously:

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

8. Paul Santos A 37 year old municipal, diesel mechanic with the City of East Providence, for 6 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 Mr. Boyce, it was unanimously:

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

9. Phillip DeBeaulieu A 54 year old state, electric inspector with the RI Department of Transportation for 7years 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 unanimously:

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

6. ORDINARY – New

10. Margaret Bridge A 59 year old state, senior word processing typist with the University of RI for 19 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 motion duly made by Mr. Dingley and seconded by Ms. Rodriguez, it was unanimously:

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

11. William Young A 65 year old municipal, laborer with the Town of Scituate for 15 years and 4 months. – (ACCIDENTAL)

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 **Deny** the application for an accidental disability retirement.

12. Joann Opielawski A 47 year old state, housekeeper with the University of RI for 25 years and 0 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 Ms. Rodriguez, it was unanimously:

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

13. David Richard A 55 year old science teacher with the Johnston HS for 9 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 Ms. Rodriguez, it was unanimously:

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

7. HEARINGS ACCIDENTAL/ORDINARY

14. Linda Acciaro A 48 year old state, chief inspector with the Department of Health for 15 years and 6 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 **Postpone** the application for an ordinary disability retirement.

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. Dingley and seconded by Mr. Beardsley, it was unanimously:

To adjourn the meeting at 11:53 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Arne C. Perry
ACP:gsb

November 25, 2009