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The Public Safety Retirement Board of Pima County, Arizona met in session on the 1st floor conference room at 130 W. Congress, Tucson, AZ at 8:30 a.m. February 5th, 2020.

VOTING MEMEBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Leo Duffner
Mr. Michael Hellon
Lt. Bruce Westberg

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Keith Bagwell
Lt. Costaki Manoleas

OTHERS PRESENT:

Attorney: David McEvoy
Secretary: Robin Jobst
Asst. Secretary: Patricia Aron
Mr. Mark Othic
Sgt. Michael Escobar

Mr. Duffner, acting chairman for the board convened the meeting at 8:32 a.m.

Item 1 on the agenda was a Roll Call. Attendance as listed above.

Item 2 on the agenda was the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 3 on the agenda was approval of minutes from the board meeting held on 01/08/20. Lt. Westberg moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Mr. Hellon seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 4 on the agenda was the approval of minutes from the Executive sessions held on 01/08/20. Lt. Westberg moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Mr. Hellon seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 5 on the agenda was the discussion of the letter received from PSPRS. Mr. McEvoy discussed recent correspondence from Mr. Parke regarding his opinion around Disability Applications with Mental Conditions which expressed the Board should consider sending for an IME, prior to approval or denial in order to have all the information. There was discussion regarding the Boards decision for the recent application and what steps and criteria were taken for the determination to not send to an IME first. There was discussion that the secretaries would better reflect details of decisions and discussion in the minutes.

Item 6 on the agenda was the Application for Re-Hearing of applicant Kori Miklos. There was discussion from Mr. Duffner with the Board regarding the initial application and decision to send

for an IME and based on the findings from the doctor, the application was denied. He asked if the Secretary had been provided any new information since Ms. Miklos was not present to ask. Ms. Jobst informed that no new information was provided by her. Mr. McEvoy explained that this was an application for a re-hearing, so they could grant the application and table for the following meeting. Lt. Westberg moved that the board grant the rehearing application which will occur at the next meeting. Mr. Hellon seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 7 on the agenda were the Applications for Memberships with an effective date of 01/22/20 for the following individuals: Robert Arvizu, Justin Berry (noted pre-existing condition), Thomas Buck III, Jose Carreon, Jose Chiaffino, Patrick Crenshaw (noted pre-existing condition), Stephen Infantino, Joel Felix, Amado Gonzalez-Ramirez, Connor Linko, Ricardo Lozano Sotelo, Craig McHattie, Miguel Millan, Edgar Ortiz, Ramiro Perez, Anthony Pool, Sean Ramsey (noted pre-existing condition), Jennica Shoppenhorst, William Sheirer, Anthony Spendlove (noted pre-existing condition) and Ramon Villa Esquer. There was an explanation form the secretary for Mr. Hellon as to what the applications were for and how the Board proceeds. Lt. Westberg moved to approve the applications, seconded by Mr. Hellon. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 8 on the agenda was the Application of Termination from Deferred Retirement Option (DROP) and Retirement for James Ledesma and James Miyata with an effective date of 02/01/20. There was clarification for Mr. Hellon as to what the DROP was. Lt. Westberg moved to approve the motion, seconded by Mr. Hellon. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 9 on the agenda was the Termination from DROP and Retirement for Arturo Gutierrez with an effective date of 03/01/20. Lt. Westberg moved to approve the motion, seconded by Mr. Hellon. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 10 on the agenda Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) for Jordan Seeley with 20.277 years of credited service effective 02/01/20. Lt. Westberg moved to approve the motion, seconded by Mr. Hellon. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 11 on the agenda was the Termination of Retiree Benefits for Larry Thompson effective 12/31/19 as read into the record.

Item 12 on the agenda was the Application for Survivor Benefit for Karen Thompson, surviving spouse of Larry Thompson with an effective date of 01/01/20. Lt. Westberg moved to approve the application, seconded by Mr. Hellon. Motion passed unanimously.

Item 13 on the agenda was the review of correspondence from PSPRS. The Secretary informed the Board that Shawn Maag's was in the process of purchasing time, and he was researching if there is possibility of retroacting the purchase price from 2014 when he initially inquired about. There was discussion about what the statute was in 2014 and not sure if Public Safety will allow Mr. Maag to purchase time at the 2014 rate since at that time it was not allowed when he initially inquired about purchasing time.

Item 14 on the agenda was other board business. There was none.

Item 10 was the call to the public. Mr. Mark Othic addressed the Board and requested the email chain from Public Safety with Mr. Parke. He talked on behalf of Mr. Maurice Othic since he was unable to attend. He discussed his opinion with the Board disputing the Sloss and Wills Case. He stated the Public Safety Retirement and Industrial Commission are governed under two different Laws. He mentioned that Title 38.848.03 prevents looking back at cases and there is no case law in AZ at this time for PTSD.

Lt. Westberg moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Hellon. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 a.m.

Robin Jobst
Secretary