



**CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA  
ARIZONA PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
LOCAL PENSION BOARD MEETING – POLICE  
January 26, 2016**

A meeting of the Public Safety Local Police Pension Board of Mesa, Arizona, was held in Conference Room 170 W., 20 E. Main Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, on January 26, 2016 at 3:02 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Barbara Jones, Acting Chair  
Chris Brady, City Manager  
Stephen Lentz (Police)  
Ryan A. Russell (Police)

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Bryan Raines, Chairman

**STAFF PRESENT**

Dee Ann Mickelsen, City Clerk  
Vanessa Wisneski, Sr. Program Asst.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Billy Cooper  
Dwight Doane  
Nitra Hawkins  
Cynthia Kelley  
Holly Nelson  
Erin Ouano  
Teri Overbey  
Tina Rogers

Acting Chair Jones excused Chairman Raines from the meeting.

**POLICE PENSION BOARD**

1. Certification of full-time Law Enforcement Officers pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 38-842.24(A), 38-842.27, 38-842.31 and 38-847(D)1.

Subsequent to a review of all medical reports, Local Boardmembers requested the record reflect that the applicants Joshua Bruno, Samantha Escamilla, Eric Hendrix, and Robert Ravago have pre-existing medical conditions.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that Law Enforcement applicants Joshua Bruno, Samantha Escamilla, Eric Hendrix, and Robert Ravago be certified subject to the pre-existing medical conditions as noted.

Acting Chair Jones declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

2. Discuss and consider the DROP applications of Police Officer Thomas Denning, Police Officer John Fitzgerald, Police Sergeant Sean Kelly, Police Sergeant Jodie Martinez, Police Lieutenant Dana McBride, and Police Lieutenant Ruben Quesada.

It was moved by Boardmember Lentz, seconded by Boardmember Russell that the DROP applications of Police Officer Thomas Denning, Police Officer John Fitzgerald, Police Sergeant Sean Kelly, Police Sergeant Jodie Martinez, Police Lieutenant Dana McBride, and Police Lieutenant Ruben Quesada be approved.

Acting Chair Jones declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

3. Approve the election to terminate participation in the DROP program and apply for the Normal Retirements of Police Officer Roy Dunkelbarger, Police Lieutenant Christopher Hern, and Police Officer Richard Monarrez.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz that the elections to terminate participation in the DROP program and the applications for the Normal Retirements of Police Officer Roy Dunkelbarger, Police Lieutenant Christopher Hern, and Police Officer Richard Monarrez be approved.

Acting Chair Jones declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

4. Discuss and consider the Normal Retirement applications of Police Officer Paul Christensen and Police Officer Craig Moresco.

It was moved by Boardmember Lentz, seconded by Boardmember Russell, that the Normal retirement applications for Police Officer Paul Christensen and Police Officer Craig Moresco be approved.

Acting Chair Jones declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

5. Consider termination of deceased member Lawrence Elliget's normal pension benefit and approval of the Survivor Benefit application for Kathleen Elliget, spouse of deceased member, effective 1/1/2016.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that the termination of deceased member Lawrence Elliget's normal pension benefit and the Survivor Benefit application for Kathleen Elliget, spouse of deceased member, effective 1/1/2016, be approved.

Acting Chair Jones declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

6. Discuss and consider the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Lauren Doane.

Acting Chair Jones welcomed Dwight Doane, representing Police Officer Lauren Doane. She advised Mr. Doane that the Local Board has reviewed the independent medical evaluations of Laura Don, M.D. and Glenn Clouse, Psy. D., and determined that both physicians are in agreement with the findings of Officer Doane's attending physicians.

Acting Chair Jones stated that in view of the absence of questions from the Board, she would entertain a motion relative to this case.

It was moved by Boardmember Russell, seconded by Boardmember Lentz, that the Accidental Disability retirement application for Police Officer Lauren Doane be approved due to her having a permanent mental condition, caused by injury incurred while on duty, which totally prevents her from performing a reasonable range of duties within her job classification.

Acting Chair Jones declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

Acting Chair Jones asked Mr. Doane to relay thanks to Officer Doane for her service to the City.

7. Discuss and consider the Accidental Disability Retirement application of Police Officer Roxana Meicke.

Police Officer Roxana Meicke was absent from the meeting.

Acting Chair Jones reported that the Local Board has reviewed the independent medical evaluations of Laura Don, M.D. and Glenn Clouse, Psy. D., and determined that there is a conflict of professional opinion between the Local Board Physicians. She added that the Local Board is required by statute to rely upon the professional opinion of a medical doctor, therefore to the extent that there had been a conflict in medical evidence, it is resolved by Dr. Don being a medical doctor and being in agreement with the findings of Officer Meicke's attending physicians.

Acting Chair Jones stated that in view of the absence of questions from the Board, she would entertain a motion relative to this case.

It was moved by Boardmember Lentz, seconded by Boardmember Russell, that the Accidental Disability retirement application for Police Officer Roxana Meicke be approved due to her having a permanent mental condition, caused by injury incurred while on duty, which totally prevents her from performing a reasonable range of duties within her job classification.

Acting Chair Jones declared the motion carried unanimously by those present.

8. Adjournment.

Without objection, the meeting of the Local Police Pension Board adjourned at 3:12 p.m.

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Public Safety Local Police Pension Board meeting of Mesa, Arizona, held on the 26th day of January, 2016. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

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DEE ANN MICKELSEN, CITY CLERK