

A regular meeting of the State of Michigan Retirement Board was held remotely at 1:35 p.m. on Thursday, August 20, 2020, via Microsoft Teams

Members Present: Col. John Wojcik, representing Michigan National Guard  
Lauri Schmidt, representing State Retirees  
Craig Murray, representing the Auditor General  
Judge David Sawyer, representing judges  
Matthew Fedorchuk, representing State Employees  
Phil Thompson, representing the General Public  
John Gnodtke, representing State Personnel Director

Staff Present: Meg Skelley, Executive Secretary  
Nick Soucy, Recording Secretary

### **Call to Order**

Chair Col. John Wojcik called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m., took a 5 minute recess to wait for late board members, and called the meeting back to order at 1:35.

### **Excusing of Absent Members**

John Gnodtke moved, Matt Fedorchuk supported, to excuse the absence of Anne Marie Storberg. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Approval of Agenda**

John Gnodtke moved, Matt Fedorchuk supported, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Approval of Minutes**

John Gnodtke moved, Matt Fedorchuk supported, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Informational Reports**

- A. **Legislative Report.** No discussion on this item.
- B. **Duty and Non-Duty Disability Case Summary.** No discussion on these items.
- C. **New Pension Recipients.** Informational payroll statistics for May-July for SERS and MRP were provided to the Board. There were no retiree statistics for JRS for this period. There was no discussion on these items.

### **New Business**

#### **A. Administrative Hearings**

#### Proposal for Decision – Docket No. 19-006237-ORS

The Board considered the case materials. John Gnodke moved, Judge David Sawyer supported, that the Board move to adopt as its own the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the March 2, 2020 PFD, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and deny Petitioner's application for duty and/or non-duty disability retirement. The motion carried unanimously.

#### Proposal for Decision – Docket No. 19-008858-ORS

The Board considered the case materials. John Gnodtke moved, Judge David Sawyer supported, that the Board adopt as its own the recommendations of the Presiding Officer in the April 29, 2020 PFD, including the proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and deny Petitioner's application for duty and/or non-duty disability retirement. The motion carried unanimously.

#### Proposal for Decision – Docket No. 19-011551-ORS

The Board considered the case materials. Phil Thompson moved and John Gnodtke supported that the Board adopt as its own the recommendation of the Presiding Officer in the March 6, 2020, PFD, and deny the Petitioner's application for non-duty disability retirement. The motion carried unanimously.

#### Proposal for Decision – Docket No. 19-011724-ORS

The Board considered the case materials. John Gnodtke moved and Matt Fedorchuk supported that the Board adopt as its own the recommendation of the Presiding Officer in the April 15, 2020, PFD, and deny the Petitioner's application for duty and/or non-duty disability retirement. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Legislative Report**

A report was provided for the Board's information.

### **Executive Secretary Comments**

The Executive Secretary thanked everyone for being flexible with meeting remotely.

### **Board Comments**

The Chair congratulated Matt Fedorchuk, thanking him for his service on the board.

### **Public Comments**

Mary Pollack congratulated Matt Fedorchuk on his retirement.

**Adjournment**

Craig Murray moved, Phil Thompson supported that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:48 p.m.

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

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Chair*Signature on file*

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Executive Secretary