

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PSPRS)
POLICE DEPARTMENT LOCAL BOARD MEETING
VIRTUAL MEETING VIA WebEx
50 E. CIVIC CENTER DR., GILBERT, ARIZONA**

March 16, 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lt. Ray Savoie, Sgt. Daniel Brause,
Bryan Albee- **Via WebEx virtual meeting**

MEMBERS ABSENT: Leah Hubbard- Rhineheimer, Marci Norton

BOARD SECRETARY: Donna J. Pedrera

GUEST/APPLICANTS: Cynthia Kelly, Esq., Board Attorney
Officer Troy Vernon
Steven Gilbert
Kathryn Baillie, Esq. representing Troy Vernon

Call to Order

Lt. Savoie called the meeting to order at 5:07 PM

1. Roll Call

Ms. Donna Pedrera called roll and a quorum was present.

2. Review and Adoption of the PSPRS Model Uniform Rules of Local Board Procedure Created Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-847(F) Normal Retirement

Motion to adopt the PSPRS Model Uniform Rules of Local Board Procedure Created Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-847(F). No discussion. Sg. Brause made a motion to adopt the PSPRS Model Uniform Rules of Local Board Procedure Created Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-847(F). Mr. Albee seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

3. Recess Special Meeting and Convene in Executive Session

Lt. Savoie moved to recess special meeting and convene in executive session. Sgt. Brause seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

4. Adjourn Executive Session and Convene Special Meeting

Sg. Brause moved to recess executive session and convene special meeting. Mr. Albee seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

5. Accidental Disability Retirement Application for Officer Troy Vernon

Consideration of the Application for Accidental Disability Retirement as submitted by Officer Troy Vernon. Officer Vernon was present. Mrs. Pedrera re-affirmed with Officer Vernon that he has waived his right to confidentiality and was allowing discussion of his medical records in public session. Officer Vernon agreed. Lt. Savoie asked the Board if they had any questions for Officer Vernon, there were no questions, and no further discussion. Lt. Savoie asked the Board for a motion. Sgt. Brause made a motion to approve the Accidental Disability Retirement Application of Officer Vernon. Mr. Albee second the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The Board then went through the questions on the PSPRS form P5-LB-A. The responses were:

1. *Did the employee file the application after the disabling incident, or within one year of ceasing to be an employee?* Board unanimous - Yes
2. *Did the employee terminate by a reason of disability?* Board unanimous – Yes
3. *Did the employment terminate based on a disciplinary issue?* Board unanimous – No
4. *If the member's period of DROP has ended, if applicable, did (or will) the employee terminate by a reason of disability?* N/A
5. *Is the employee still working a position within their job classification that the Local Board considers a reasonable range of duties position?* Board unanimous – No
6. *Has the employee refused a position within their job classification that the Local Board considered a reasonable range of duties?* Board unanimous – No
7. *Did the injury or condition occur prior to the current PSPRS membership date?*
Board unanimous – No
8. *Was the injury or condition the result of an event incurred during the performance of the employee's duty?*
Board unanimous – Yes

6. Accidental Disability Retirement Application for Steven Gilbert

Consideration of the Application for Accidental Disability Retirement as submitted by Steven Gilbert. Mr. Gilbert was present. Mrs. Pedrera re-affirmed with Mr. Gilbert that he has waived his right to confidentiality and was allowing discussion of his medical records in public session. Mr. Gilbert agreed. Lt. Savoie asked the Board if they had any questions for Mr. Gilbert, there were no questions, and no further discussion. Sgt. Brause made a motion to accept Mr. Gilbert's Accidental Disability Retirement Application and send Mr. Gilbert for Independent Medical Evaluation (IME) to be conducted by an Orthopedic doctor. Mr. Albee second the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

7. Approval of minutes

No Discussion. Mr. Albee moved to approve the minutes from the December 15, 2021 meeting. Sgt. Brause seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

8. Future Meetings

Next meeting scheduled for April 20, 2022 at 5:00PM. Ms. Pedrera advised the Board that currently there are items for the Agenda.

9. Adjournment

Mr. Albee made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sgt. Brause second the motion. Motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:41 PM.

Leah Hubbard- Rhineheimer, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Donna J. Pedrera, Local Board Secretary