



**Yuma County Sheriff's Office
Corrections Officer Retirement Plan Local Board
Special Meeting**

August 28, 2014

Members present: Greg Ferguson
Ruben Amaya
Brenna Paulin

Members absent: Dave McDowell
Tiffany Murray

Others present: Nora Mejia-Rico, Secretary

A special meeting of the Local Board of the Yuma County Sheriff's Office Corrections Officer Retirement Plan was held Thursday, August 28, 2014, at the Yuma County Sheriff's Office.

Chairman Greg Ferguson called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

The board reviewed the minutes of the July 31, 2014 special meeting. Ms. Brenna Paulin motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Ruben Amaya seconded. The motion carried 3 to 0.

Old Business

The local board reviewed the application for an Ordinary Disability Retirement by Mr. Ronald Candler Jr. The secretary advised the board members that Mr. Candler did have a pre-existing condition, however, it did not relate to his current medical condition. The local board members reviewed the list of doctors to send Mr. Candler for an Independent Medical Evaluation (IME). The secretary advised the board members she tried to find a doctor locally but the doctors she contacted do not perform IME's. Furthermore, the one doctor who performs IME's locally, Mr. Candler has already been treated by this doctor. Therefore, presenting a conflict of interest. The board members reviewed and discussed the doctor's credential, ratings, schedule availability, and costs for an IME. After a discussion, Ms. Paulin motioned to direct the secretary to schedule an IME on Mr. Candler with either Dr. Marzulo or Dr. Reiser, and to schedule the appointment with the doctor who had the first available appointment. Mr. Amaya seconded. The motion carried 3 to 0.

The local board discussed possibly setting a next hearing date on this case. After a brief discussion, the local board members agreed if the board receives the IME report prior to the next quarterly meeting that the board will convene a special meeting.

New Business

Separated Members: The Secretary advised the board members that the following CORP

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member(s) have separated from employment with the Yuma County Sheriff's Office: Diego Hinojoza, date of separation 08/15/14; Richard Sweeny, date of separation 08/20/14; and Juan R. Saenz, date of separation 08/22/14. Ms. Paulin motioned to approve CORP members that have separated from employment with Yuma County. Mr. Amaya seconded. The motion carried 3 to 0.

The next quarterly board meeting was scheduled for December 10, 2014 at 3:00 p.m., however, if the local board receives the IME report before then, a special meeting will be convene pertaining to Mr. Candler's Ordinary Disability application.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Norazel B. Mejia-Rico, Secretary of the Board