



**Yuma County Sheriff's Office  
Public Safety Personnel Retirement System  
Local Board  
Special Meeting**

**April 27, 2021**

Members present: Darren Simmons  
Dave McDowell  
Patricia Ogden  
Frank Pereda

Members absent: Richard Meraz

Others present: Norazel Mejia-Rico, Secretary

A special meeting of the Local Board of the Yuma County Sheriff's Office Public Safety Personnel Retirement System was held Tuesday, April 27, 2021, at the Yuma County Sheriff's Office.

Chairman Simmons called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

The board reviewed the minutes of the March 02, 2021 special meeting. The secretary advised the board members of a typo she had made in reference to reviewing and approving the October's minutes. The minutes indicated October 21, 2021, when it should have been October 21, 2020. Ms. Ogden motioned to approve the March 02, 2021 minutes as corrected. Mr. McDowell seconded. The motion carried 4 to 0.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

The local board reviewed the application to terminate the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) and elect to enter Normal Retirement Plan by Sgt. Michael Knox, effective May 01, 2021. The secretary advised the local board of Sgt. Knox's DROP dates, employment separation date, pension amount, and the effective date of Normal Retirement. Mr. McDowell motioned to approve Sgt. Knox's application, effective May 01, 2021. Sgt. Pereda seconded. The motion carried 4 to 0.

**New Members:** The secretary advised the board members of the new Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) member: Angel Correa-Luna, Jorge Martinez, and Eduardo Monteon Jr., their date of hire 03/28/21; Andrew Martin and Shawna Toyoda, their date of hire 04/05/21. Their medical evaluation was reviewed for pre-existing medical conditions. A letter of pre-existing condition(s) was sent to Jorge Martinez and Shawna Toyoda on April 21, 2021. Mr. McDowell motioned to approve the new PSPRS member and acknowledge pre-existing conditions. Ms. Ogden seconded. The motion carried 4 to 0.

**Separated Members:** The secretary advised the board members that the following PSPRS members have separated from employment with the Yuma County Sheriff's Office: Gustavo Ramirez, date of separation 04/15/21; and Andrew Martin, date of separation 04/16/21. Sgt. Pereda motioned to approve PSPRS members, Gustavo Ramirez and Andrew Martin, who have

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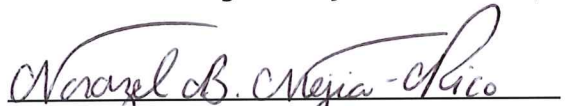
separated from employment with Yuma County Sheriff's Office. Ms. Ogden seconded. The motion carried 4 to 0.

The board members reviewed FY2021 Second Quarter Newsletter of the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS). The secretary advised the board members PSPRS has appointed new trustees. The new trustees are Mr. Alan Maguire, Mr. Daren Wunderle, and Mr. Nate Weber. She also advised of the six-minute video designed to show how pensions are valued through current data, future assumptions, and how asset obligations are utilized to measure employer's financial health and determine their contribution rates. She further advised that Chief Investment Officer Mark Steed had an hour-long discussion with leaders in the medical research and vaccine development in reference to COVID-19. The secretary then informed the board members of the Cancer Insurance Policy Benefit changes. Eligible members and retirees can apply for second cancer diagnosis as long it doesn't relate to the previous diagnosis. Genomic and genetic testing are now part of the plan design. Furthermore, medical imaging procedures such as positron emission tomography (PET) scans, are eligible for out-of-pocket reimbursements. She also advised the 2021 Annual Employer and Local Board Conference Videos are available on the PSPRS's website. Lastly, the secretary advised the Advisory Committee is requesting feedback from members, retirees, employers, and stakeholders regarding their experiences and thoughts about the retirement. She referenced the list that contains Stakeholder Category Groups, and their representative's name and e-mail address. The local board had no additional comments and/or questions regarding the newsletter.

Current Events: No comments/discussion.

The next meeting was scheduled for May 26, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. due to an upcoming retirement application.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:14 p.m.

  
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Norazel B. Mejia-Rico, Secretary of the Board