MINUTES OF THE WV CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING OF JULY 1, 2014

A meeting of the Consolidated Public Retirement Board (CPRB) Disability Committee was held in the Legal Conference Room located at the CPRB, 4101 MacCorkle Avenue, SE, Charleston, West Virginia. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. by Chairman D. Todd Murray.

Silent roll call was taken.

Members present:

D. Todd Murray, Chairman Joseph Garcia, representing Governor Tomblin Mack Parsons, representing Auditor Gainer Captain Michael Corsaro Joe Lynch

No members were absent.

A quorum was present.

Due notice had been published.

Also, present were:

Jeff Fleck, CPRB Executive Director
Terasa Miller, CPRB Deputy Director
Candi Moore, CPRB Executive Assistant
Heather Drake, CPRB Administrative Assistant
Chris Bush, CPRB Uniform Services Retirement Advisor
Bill McCallister, CPRB TDC Disability Coordinator
Barbara Moss, CPRB TRS Assistant Manager

Tab #1: Approval of the May 27, 2014 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the May 27, 2014 minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Parsons. The motion carried unanimously.

Tab #2: Disability Application Reviews

Mr. Lynch made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss medical

disability applications as allowed by West Virginia Code § 6-9A-4. The motion was seconded by Mr. Garcia. The motion carried unanimously. The Disability Committee went into Executive Session at 2:03 p.m.

The Disability Committee reconvened from Executive Session at 2:04 p.m. Chairman Murray announced that no decisions were made during the Executive Session and the Committee returned to Tab #2 - Disability Application Reviews.

Chairman Murray reviewed with the Committee the staff's recommendations on the Disability Applications from the following systems:

| SYSTEM | Approved | <u>Denied</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
| PERS | 18 | 0 | 18 |
| TDC | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| TRS | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| TRS (TDC Transfers) | 14 | 0 | 14 |
| TOTALS: | 36 | 0 | 36 |

Captain Corsaro made a motion the Disability Committee accept the disability recommendations from staff. Mr. Parsons seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Tab #3: Disability Claims Management & Independent Medical Exam Update

Executive Director Fleck reported that after looking at other options for the Disability Claims Management, such as MES and Health Smart, their services were no different than what CPRB currently has now through Midwest Medical; and, in fact rates were much higher. Director Fleck announced to the Committee that he had contacted NASRA in his search of other options, but they were not aware of any other group other than Managed Medical Review Organization (MMro). Director Fleck reviewed with the Committee the revised options MMro has proposed. The first option is a reduced fixed amount of \$175,000 per year, and the second option is to pay a reduced fee of \$665 per claim.

Discussion with the Committee occurred. Deputy Director Miller discussed with the Committee reasons why staff supports using the MMro services and how it would assist members who are disabled, and two (2) exceptions that should be considered not to send to MMro for medical evaluation. The two exceptions are: 1) members who have Stage IV Cancer and have two of their own physicians stating they are disabled (one physician which is serving as the Board physician); and 2) TDC members. TDC members would still be sent to a Board Physician, but just not through MMro.

Chairman Murray asked the Committee if there was any action they would like to take regarding the MMro to take to the full Board.

Mr. Lynch made a motion the Disability Committee recommend to the Board to authorize the Executive Director to proceed with a contract for pension disability management services with MMro for the CPRB's defined benefit plans as reflected in their amended proposal dated June 2, 2014, with an exception of those defined benefit members who have Stage IV Cancer and have two (2) of their own physicians stating they are disabled. Mr. Parsons seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Tab #4: Other Business

Chairman Murray asked the Committee if there was any other business to bring before the Disability Committee. None was heard.

Mr. Parsons made a motion to adjourn the July 1, 2014 Disability Committee. Mr. Garcia seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Murray adjourned the July 1, 2014 CPRB Disability Committee meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

D. Todd Murray, Chairman

Jeffrey E. Fleck, Executive Director