

**EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE**  
**MINUTES OF THE JUNE 15, 2005 PENSION BOARD MEETING**

1. Call to Order.

Chairman Walter Lanier called the meeting to order at 8:25 a.m. in Room 203-R of the Milwaukee County Courthouse.

2. Roll Call.

Members Present:

Linda Bedford  
Donald Cohen  
Walter Lanier  
Marilyn Mayr  
Michael Ostermeyer

Members Excused:

John Martin  
John Parish  
Dean Roepke  
Thomas Weber  
(Mr. Ostermeyer was excused  
at 9:00 a.m.)

Others Present:

Jack Hohrein, ERS Manager  
Mark Grady, Principal Assistant Corporation Counsel  
Gloria Morris, Retirement Coordinator  
Gordon Mueller, Fiscal Officer  
Anh To, Milwaukee County  
Steven Huff, Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren s.c.  
Leigh Riley, Foley & Lardner LLP  
Cliff Van Beek, Retiree  
Ken Loeffel, Retiree

**The Board unanimously agreed to appoint Mr. Hohrein Secretary of the Pension Board. Motion by Ms. Mayr, seconded by Mr. Cohen.**

The Board thanked Ms. Morris for doing an excellent job as interim Pension Board Secretary while the Retirement Office was short-staffed.

3. Approval of Minutes of May 18, 2005 Meeting.

The minutes were presented for approval. Ms. Mayr requested that the term "Ethics Board" in the last sentence of section 9 be replaced with "requesting parties."

**The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the May 18, 2005 Pension Board meeting, as amended. Motion by Mr. Cohen, seconded by Ms. Bedford.**

4. Reports and Requests from Retirement System Staff.

A. Ratification of Retirements Granted.

Ms. Morris presented the schedule of Retirements Granted for the prior month's retirements and asked the Board to review them.

**The Board unanimously approved the schedule of Retirements Granted. Motion by Ms. Bedford, seconded by Mr. Cohen.**

B. Gordon C. Mueller, Fiscal Officer – Annual Report.

Mr. Mueller presented a draft of the 2004 Annual Report of the Pension Board for the Board's review. The Chairman noted, and Mr. Grady and Ms. Mayr confirmed, that Mr. McDowell should not be listed as an *ex officio* member of the Board.

Ms. Mayr also pointed out that the Board must carefully review the auditor's report. Mr. Mueller indicated that the auditor will present its report to the Pension Board at an upcoming meeting. Ms. Mayr requested that the auditor's report and management letter be provided to the Board in advance of the presentation. Mr. Ostermeyer stated that the auditor's report should be formally reviewed and approved by the Board. Mr. Grady suggested that Board members could email their comments regarding the 2004 Annual Report to Mr. Mueller.

The Chairman requested that Gonzalez, Saggio & Harlan, LLP be added as legal counsel. Ms. Mayr pointed out that the names listed on the report should be current as of December 31, 2004.

5. Disability Applications.

The Chairman stated that the Pension Board may enter closed session to discuss an individual's disability retirement application which may entail discussion of, among other things, medical records of the applicant or to confer with legal counsel, who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved. By unanimous roll call vote, the Board agreed to enter closed session to discuss litigation and disability applications. Motion by Mr. Cohen, seconded by Ms. Bedford.

Upon returning to open session, the Board voted on the disability retirement applications.

A. Bruce Fisher.

**The Board unanimously agreed to accept the Medical Board's recommendation and grant Bruce Fisher's ordinary disability application. Motion by Mr. Cohen, seconded by Ms. Bedford.**

B. Donald Gregoire.

**The Board unanimously agreed to lay over Mr. Gregoire's accidental disability application. Motion by Ms. Mayr, seconded by Mr. Ostermeyer.**

C. Scott Radack.

**The Board unanimously agreed to accept the Medical Board's recommendation and grant Scott Radack's accidental disability application. Motion by Ms. Bedford, seconded by Mr. Cohen.**

6. Adjournment.

Mr. Ostermeyer was excused from the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Because five votes are required for any action by the Board, the Board determined that it no longer had a quorum, and the meeting should be adjourned.

**The meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m. Motion by Mr. Cohen, seconded by Ms. Bedford.**

Submitted by Steven D. Huff,  
Assistant Secretary to the Pension Board