

Drexel Heights Fire District
Public Safety Personnel Retirement System
Pension Board Regular Meeting

July 26, 2019

Station 401 Classroom

Immediately following Fire board meeting or 9:15 a.m. whichever is later.

MINUTES

- I. Called to order by **Chairman Bertrand at 9:31 a.m.**
- II. Roll call
Members Present: James Bertrand, Greg Bustamante, Raul Caballero, Randy Trowbridge
Members Absent: Angelo Marquez
- III. Approval of prior meeting minutes – May 24, 2019
Motion was made to approve the minutes from May 24, 2019 meeting by James Bertrand and seconded by Member Caballero. Motion carried 4-0.
- IV. Call to the Public – Comments and Questions -**None**
- V. New Business

- A. New Employees in the PSPRS system
Three new employees are noted to have pre-existing conditions and four do not.
 - 1. Felipe Galaz – Firefighter/EMT
 - 2. Nathaniel Saldivar– Firefighter/EMT
 - 3. Joseph Sparacino– Firefighter/EMT
 - 4. Austen Stowe– Firefighter/EMT
 - 5. Cody Van Haren– Firefighter/EMT
 - 6. Cody Wagner– Firefighter/EMT
 - 7. Blake Willoughby – Firefighter/CEP

James Bertrand moved to approve the PSPRS membership as requested for Firefighters Galaz, Stowe, Willoughby and Van Haren. He also moved to approve the PSPRS membership for Firefighters Saldivar, Sparacino and Wagner with the stipulation that no application for accidental, catastrophic, or ordinary disability retirement shall be filed due to the pre-existing condition. Motion was seconded by Member Trowbridge and carried 4-0.

- B. Death of members - **None**
- C. Survivor benefits - **None**
- D. Refunds - **None**
- E. Review of correspondence
 - 1. PSPRS Actuarial June 30, 2018
- VI. Applications
 - A. DROP
 - 1. DROP application for Hector R. Munoz – DROP is effective July 31, 2019 with 25.018 years of credited service.

Chairman Bertrand moved to approve the DROP application for Hector R. Munoz effective July 31, 2019 with 25.018 years of credited service. Seconded by Member Caballero and carried 4-0.

- B. Normal Service Retirement applications
- C. Disability applications

VII. New Retirement

1. DROP Retirement of Firefighter Maria D. Hawkes effective 7/31/2019.

Firefighter Hawkes entered the DROP on 5/31/2019 and will retire after two months in the program.

Chairman Bertrand moved to approve the retirement of Firefighter Maria De Los Angeles Hawkes effective July 31, 2019 after two months in the DROP and establish that she is eligible for retirement benefits. The motion was seconded by Member Bustamante and carried 4-0.

VIII. Return to Work - None

VIV. Hearings - None

IX. Service Purchases of military or prior service time - None

X. Transfers of Service - None

XI. Annual Qualifying Report

This annual report is required by the State Office of the Fire Marshal. A copy of the FY 19 report is also submitted to the Office of the Fire Marshal with this report. Submitting this report qualifies the District to a Fire Insurance Premium Tax. The tax credit for this year was about \$60,000.

Chairman Bertrand, moved to approve the annual Qualifying Report to the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System for the year ended June, 2019 and authorize the Chairman to sign. Seconded by Member Bustamante and carried 4-0.

XI. Future Agenda Items

- a. Next meeting date is December 20, 2019.

XIII. Adjournment

Motion was made to adjourn by Chairman Bertrand and seconded by Member Caballero. Motion carried 4-0.

James Bertrand, Chairman

Date

Randy Trowbridge, Clerk

Date