

**YUMA POLICE DEPARTMENT  
LOCAL RETIREMENT BOARD  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON APRIL 21, 2016**

A meeting of the Yuma Police Department Local Retirement Board for the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System was held on April 21, 2016 at 12:00 p.m. in Conference Room A at the Yuma Police Department.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councilman William Craft, Chairman  
Sergeant Russell Hartley, Board Secretary  
Lieutenant Brian Scanlan  
Chris Chumley  
Director Ron Corbin

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Karina Banuelos, Recorder  
Hannah Auckland, Attorney

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Chairman Craft.
2. Chairman Craft acknowledged Melinda Alexander, who was present for the Yuma Police Department Board meeting.
3. The minutes of the February 23, 2016 meeting were presented for approval; there were no changes.

Director Ron Corbin moved;  
Board Secretary Russell Hartley seconded,

To approve the minutes of the February 23, 2016 meeting as presented.

The motion carried unanimously.

4. Board Secretary Hartley presented the consideration of Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) Application of Brian Scanlan. Board Secretary Hartley stated a properly completed application had been received – Effective 4/30/2016; Years of Service: 25.460; Monthly Pension: \$5,161.85.

Director Ron Corbin moved;  
Chris Chumley seconded,

The motion carried unanimously.

5. Chairman Craft presented the six (6) New Membership applications for approval.
  - a. Richard Averett – Effective 2/29/2016
  - b. Liza Lucero – Effective 2/29/2016
  - c. Eduardo Hernandez – Effective 3/28/2016
  - d. Ruben Prieto – Effective 3/28/2016
  - e. Jose Venegas – Effective 3/28/2016
  - f. Nickolas Davis – Effective 4/18/2016

There were some concerns on Liza Lucero's Medical History Questionnaire. The Board decided not to approve Liza Lucero's membership application until further clarification of the Medical History Questionnaire was completed and discussed in another Board Meeting.

Director Ron Corbin moved;  
Chris Chumley seconded,

To approve five (5) new membership applications (Richard Averett, Eduardo Hernandez, Ruben Prieto, Jose Venegas and Nickolas Davis).

6. Sergeant Russell Hartley presented the consideration for Accidental Medical Retirement of Melinda Alexander. Attorney, Hannah Auckland, was present in the meeting by phone. Director Ron Corbin stated that the IME report from Dr. Steingart had conflicts, such as stating she had permanent disability but unknown as to why. Director Ron Corbin asked Melinda Alexander where the rotator cuff tear injury happened. Melinda Alexander stated it happened on November 13, 2014 at a Defensive Tactics Training.

She stated she hasn't gotten any better and the pain has gotten worse over the last 3 weeks or so. Director Ron Corbin asked Melinda Alexander if she has had any more testing done since the IME appointment. She stated she had not. Board Secretary Hartley stated he used to share an office with Melinda Alexander and after the Defensive Tactics Training, she started being in pain. Board Secretary Hartley stated Workers Comp sent her to Physical Therapy instead of getting the injury treated and he believes that is where she was injured even more.

Director Ron Corbin motioned for Melinda Alexander's consideration for Accidental Medical Retirement be continued until a meeting with the IME doctor, Dr. Steingart, is set up. There was no second on this motion.

Board Secretary Hartley read the first eight questions on the P5-LB-A Form for the Board to answer. The Board discussed the questions and answers. Sergeant Russell Hartley presented Melinda Alexander's Accidental Medical Retirement for approval with an effective date of 04/30/2016; Years of Service: 19.161; Monthly Pension: \$2,781.04

Chris Chumley moved;  
Lieutenant Brian Scanlan seconded,

The motion carried to approve Melinda Alexander's Accidental Medical Retirement by 3 Board Members. Director Ron Corbin did not agree. Majority ruled.

7. Scheduling and Announcements  
Board Secretary Hartley stated Ruben Perez will be retiring on 5/06/16. The next Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on 5/18/16 at 11:00 a.m.
8. Call to Public  
There were no public speakers
9. Chairman Craft stated that he would entertain a motion to move into Executive Session for the following:

Review/discussion of six (6) Medical Evaluations for six (6) new police officers.

- a. Richard Averett
- b. Liza Lucero
- c. Eduardo Hernandez
- d. Ruben Prieto
- e. Jose Venegas
- f. Nickolas Davis

Consideration for Medical Retirement (IME Review):

- a. Melinda Alexander

Director Ron Corbin moved;  
Chris Chumley seconded,

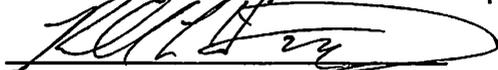
To move into Executive Session.

The motion carried unanimously; the Board entered into Executive Session at 12:06 pm

The Board exited Executive Session at 12:29 pm

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

  
Sergeant Russell Hartley  
Board Secretary