

STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF ILLINOIS
MINUTES OF THE
RULES AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE
JULY 12, 2016

The Rules and Personnel Committee of the Board of Trustees of the State Employees' Retirement System of Illinois convened on Tuesday, July 12, at 2:00 p.m. at the System's Springfield office located at 2101 South Veterans Parkway.

The following trustees were in attendance:

Alan Latoza, Chairman
Danny Silverthorn, Trustee
Robert Fanti, Trustee

Others in attendance were:

Timothy Blair, Executive Secretary
Casey Evans, Chief Internal Auditor
Jeff Houch, Assistant to the Executive Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. Assistant to the Executive Secretary Jeff Houch took the roll call. After brief comments from those in attendance, an election for Chairman of the Committee was held. Trustee Fanti made the motion to elect Trustee Latoza as Chairman, and Trustee Silverthorn seconded. Trustee Latoza was elected unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no members of the public present.

CHAIRMEN'S REPORT

Chairman Latoza had nothing to report.

REPORT OF ANY TRUSTEE

No Trustee offered a report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 7, 2014 MEETING

Trustee Silverthorn motioned to approve the minutes of the April 7, 2014 meeting of the committee, Trustee Fanti seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW OF PROPOSED RULES

After a brief review of the rulemaking process, Mr. Houch summarized the proposed rules. The proposed rules included provisions related to statutory changes to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), involuntary distributions to inactive members reaching age 70.5, the suspension of payments to recipients with four uncashed paper checks, and changes to the disability rules.

After discussion Trustee Silverthorn made the motion to authorize staff to pursue rulemaking for all items discussed, which Trustee Latoza seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

UPCOMING CHANGES TO CLAIMS DIVISION

Mr. Blair led discussion related to the reorganization of the System's business units. Discussion focused on consolidating the System's multiple vouchering functions to the division of Administrative Services. Additionally, the committee discussed the additional roles that the Insurance Section would absorb along with being renamed the Benefits Support Division. Although not an action item, Mr. Blair emphasized the importance of informing the Trustees of such undertakings.

CREATION OF A CALL CENTER

Mr. Blair informed the committee of the creation of a call center, including the hiring of 5 employees. The necessary expenses of the call center are included in the budget request for Fiscal Year 2017. Mr. Blair described the duties and benefits associated with the new unit.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.