

Minutes

Retirement Board Meeting

Board Room*, 1900 Polaris Parkway, Suite 201, Columbus, Ohio 43240 Thursday, October 16, 2025 – 12:00 p.m. *Meeting was made available to public through Zoom

Present: Major Matthew Them, *Chair;* Major (ret.) Darryl Anderson, *Vice-Chair;* Major (ret.) JP Allen; Sergeant (ret.) Michael Kasler; Sergeant Derek Malone; Lieutenant Christian Niemeyer; Sergeant Brice Nihiser; Craig Warnimont; Trooper Cynthia Wilt

Absent: Colonel Charles Jones

Quorum?Yes

Others Present: Carl Roark, Executive Director; Michael Press, General Counsel; Anthony Bradshaw, Chief Operations Officer; Holly Carr, Executive Assistant; Renee Young, Benefits Specialist; Charmaine Carter, System Accountant; Jackie Huntzinger, Project Manager; Maggie O'Shea, Assistant Attorney General; Kevin Baload, withIntelligence (via Zoom)

Proceedings:

Call to Order

• At 11:47 a.m., Them called the meeting to order, and the roll was called.

Executive Director Evaluation

- Motion: To go into executive session pursuant to Division (G)(1) of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code to consider the employment and compensation of a public employee at 11:48 a.m. with O'Shea as guest, (motion by Them; second by Nihiser; motion carried unanimously.)
- At 12:04 p.m., Them declared the executive session was concluded.
- Chair Them led the room in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Motion: To approve the minutes of the August 21st & 22nd, 2025 meeting, (motion by Niemeyer; second by Malone; motion carried unanimously).

Retirement Board Meeting Dates for 2026

Roark presented a memo detailing Board and Committee meeting dates for 2026.
The board had no known conflicts with the dates.

2025 - 2026 Committee Assignments

- Them presented the committee assignments for 2025 2026.
- Motion: To approve the 2025 2026 committee assignments as presented, (motion by Wilt; second by Niemeyer; motion carried unanimously.)

Administration Committee

- Nihiser gave a brief update on topics discussed at the committee.
- Roark reported on the Fiduciary Performance Audit, noting the project was complete.
- Roark presented updates to HPRS policies and procedures.
- Motion: To approve the HPRS policies & procedures with changes as presented by staff, (motion by Kasler; second by Wilt; motion carried unanimously.)

Health, Wellness, & Disability Committee

Wilt reported there was no meeting.

Health Care Funding Committee

- Malone gave a brief update on topics discussed at the committee meeting, including the Health Care Fund Report.
- Roark presented the Quarterly Health Care Fund Report.
- Bradshaw presented a handout on dental coverage, noting the contract with Delta Dental was up for renewal.
- Motion: To authorize the executive director to renew the contract with Delta Dental for one year at the rates presented by staff, (motion by Malone; second by Allen; motion carried unanimously.)
- Motion: To keep dental premiums in 2026 at the rates presented by staff, (motion by Malone; second by Niemeyer; motion carried unanimously.)
- Motion: To keep vision premiums in 2026 at the rates presented by staff, (motion by Malone; second by Nihiser; motion carried unanimously.)

Special Committee on COLA

- Nihiser reported there was no meeting.
- Roark reviewed a memo that was presented regarding COLA anniversary dates and gave a summary.
- Lengthy discussion ensued and staff fielded questions.

Audit Committee

- Malone gave a brief update on topics discussed at the committee.
- Roark reported that Summit County was on track with their audit and will report in December.

Investment Committee

- Anderson gave a brief update on topics discussed at the committee meeting; including the total plan was up 9.9% year-to-date with assets of \$1.224 billion.
- Press reviewed and discussed with the board the Investment Consultant Evaluation. There were no changes presented to staff.
- Motion: To approve the Investment Consultant Evaluation as presented, (motion by Anderson; second by Malone; motion carried unanimously.)

Strategic Plan

- Roark reviewed proposed updates to the Strategic Plan.
- Motion: To approve the Strategic Plan as presented by staff, (motion by Them; second by Kasler; motion carried unanimously.)

Travel and Education

- Roark presented the following travel cost estimate:
 - Anderson to attend the National Association of Police Organizations (NAPO) 37th Annual Pension & Benefits Seminar in Las Vegas, Nevada, January 25 – 27, 2026, at an estimated cost of \$2,298.93
- Motion: To approve board travel as presented (motion by Them; second by Kasler; motion carried unanimously).

General Counsel Report

 General Counsel reported on proposed updates to legislation regarding survivor benefit changes and the approval by the ORSC.

Administrative Report

- Roark presented the summary report of active and retired members, and the retirement beneficiary report.
- Motion: To approve retirement applications and survivor pensions as submitted by staff, (motion by Them; second by Kasler; motion carried unanimously).
- Roark presented the results from the 2025 Board Member Knowledge Self-Assessment.

Comments

None.

Adjournment

• At 1:23 p.m., Them declared the meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting

• The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for December 18, 2025, at 1900 Polaris Parkway, Columbus, Ohio 43240.

Signature on File

December 18, 2025

Approved by Matthew Them, Chair

Date

To review any referenced documents, please contact Holly Carr, hcarr@ohprs.org.