



## SFD PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM LOCAL BOARD MEETING

Station #1 / 2860 Southwest Drive / West Sedona  
Thursday, September 22, 2022 / 2:00 PM

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### I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Pursuant to notice, a regular meeting of the Sedona Fire District (SFD) Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS) Local Board was called to order by Chairman Dave Soto at 2:20 p.m. on, Thursday, September 22, 2022. The meeting was delayed due to technical difficulties logging into Zoom, etc. Executive Assistant Kim Smathers recorded the minutes. A quorum was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, proceeded with business.

**Board Present:** Dave Soto-Chairman, Craig Cushenberry; Kai Kincheloe, and Eric Walter – Members. Kim Smathers and Keona Freeman, SFD and Cynthia Kelley, of the law firm of Ryan, Rapp, Underwood, and Pacheco for legal guidance. Lynn Zionakis was online but unable to connect via Zoom.

A. **Salute to the Flag of the United States of America and Moment of Silence to Honor all American Men and Women in Service to Our Country, Firefighters, and Police Officers.**

### II. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. **Possible vote to go into Executive Session for legal advice on discussion of preliminary investigation matters pertaining to retirees pursuant to ARS §38-431.033(A)(3).**

*Chairman Soto made a motion to go into Executive Session. Board member Craig Cushenberry asked if the old minutes did not have to be approved before executive session began, as there was a motion from the last meeting regarding hiring a local Board attorney. Chair Soto explained that as Ms. Kelley is from the same firm, we were allowed to seek guidance without pre-approving the prior motion. Member Cushenberry seconded the motion, no further discussion was held and the motion passed unanimously.*

### III. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION

A. **Possible vote to approved notification and IME pursuant to legal counsel advice.**

*Chairman Soto made a motion to find an IME in relation to matters discussed and schedule an appointment as soon as possible. Member Walter seconded the motion. Member Kincheloe advised that in the past the Board Recorder would research and schedule the appointment. Ms. Freeman stated that she had contacts for the IME and share with the Recorder. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously.*

### IV. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There was no one in attendance and no requests to speak.

### V. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. **Discussion/Possible Action: Approve Minutes of May 26, 2022 SFD PSPRS Local Board Meeting.**

*Chairman Soto moved to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2022, SFD PSPRD Local Board meeting. Board Member Walter seconded. Member Cushenberry questioned the lack of answers to questions reflected in the May minutes and that until they were clarified, the motion be tables. Chairman Soto approved tabling the minutes until the next scheduled meeting to research and answer the Member's questions.*

VI. ADJOURNMENT: 3:09 p.m.

  
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Kim Smathers, Local Board Secretary

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Posted by: *K.Smathers*

Date *11/22/2022* Time: