

# Monroe County Employees Retirement System

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## Monroe County Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES Thursday, December 22, 2016

### 1. Call to Order

A special meeting of the Monroe County Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees was called to order at 10:00 A.M. on December 22, 2016 at the Mary K. Daume Library Service Center at 840 South Roessler Street, Monroe, Michigan.

### 2. Roll Call

Roll call as follows:

#### PRESENT

Nancy Bellaire  
Michael Grodi  
Joseph Hudson  
George Jondro

Anne McCarthy  
Bob Neely  
Al Potratz  
Jason Turner

#### ABSENT

James Morgan, excused

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Sandy Calkins, Retirement Specialist  
Rob Abb, Legal Counsel  
Mark Brant, County Commissioner

A quorum being present, the Board proceeded to transact business.

### 3. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Grodi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### 4. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Trustee Jondro to approve the agenda as submitted. Supported by Trustee Turner. All in favor. Motion carried.

### 5. Citizens Time

No citizen wished to address the Retirement Board.

### 6. Closed Session to Discuss Medical Records

Motion by Trustee McCarthy go into closed session at 10:01 A.M. to discuss medical records. Supported by Trustee Jondro.

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Roll call for approval of closed session as follows:

AYES: Nancy Bellaire	Anne McCarthy	NAYS: None
Michael Grodi	Bob Neely	
Joseph Hudson	Al Potratz	
George Jondro	Jason Turner	

ABSENT: James Morgan, excused.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Open session at 11:01 A.M.

Motion by Trustee Turner to update number six on the Disability Retirement Procedure to reflect; The applicant or the applicant's legal representative, shall obtain the medical reports from all physicians listed on the individual's application and forward all medical and incident reports to the Monroe County Employees Retirement System to make a proper determination. It is the sole and ongoing responsibility of the applicant or the applicant's legal representative. Supported by Trustee McCarthy. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee Turner to add the following language to number seven of the Disability Retirement Procedure; the Retirement Specialist shall receive a certificate of mailing for all mailed communications. Supported by Trustee Hudson. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee McCarthy to accept and place on file the medical report and decision of examining physician from Steven Dovitz, M.D. and accept his recommendation and approve the disability retirement of Jacqueline McGhee effective December 22, 2016. Supported by Trustee Turner. Motion carried. Trustee Hudson abstained.

Motion by Trustee Neely to direct legal counsel to draft a letter to the Monroe County Board of Commissioners requesting that any and all communications directed to the County Board of Commissioners regarding retirement benefits be referred directly to the Monroe County Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees. Supported by Trustee Potratz. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion by Trustee McCarthy to accept and place on file communication dated December 15, 2016 from Jacqueline McGhee written to J. Henry Lievens, Chairman of the Monroe County Board of Commissioners regarding medical retirement issue. Supported by Trustee Turner. All in favor. Motion carried.

**7. Trustee Comments**

Trustee Turner thanked Chairman Grodi for holding a special meeting. Trustee Jondro wished Trustee Hudson well and stated it was a pleasure working with him on the Board. Trustee Bellaire stated it is a good idea to review policies and procedures as needed. Chairman Grodi thanked Trustee Hudson and Trustee Potratz for their service to the Retirement Board. Trustee Hudson thanked the Retirement Board and wished them well.

**8. Adjourn**

Motion by Trustee Turner to adjourn. Supported by Trustee Hudson. All in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 11:16 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Grodi, Chairman  
Monroe County Employees Retirement System