

**PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES  
FOR CORRECTIONS OFFICER RETIREMENT PLAN LOCAL BOARD  
ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

A public meeting of the Corrections Officer Retirement Plan Local Board for the Arizona Department of Corrections was convened **Thursday April 3, 2014 10:09 a.m.** at the **Department of Corrections, 1601 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007.**

Present at the meeting were the following individuals:

Michael Smarik, Board Chair	George Herman, Board Member
Paul Turley, Board Member	Carson McWilliams, Board Member – Board Member
Pamela Linnins, Asst. Attorney General	Staci Fay, Board Member – Board Member - Absent
Jeffrey Potter, Board Secretary	Mary Turner, Pension Benefit Coordinator
<b>Guests</b>	
Donna Kuykendall – Member’s Wife	Thomas Griffin – Blasé attorney
Keri Blasé - Member	Carrie Amato – Member

**I. CALL TO ORDER** – Called to order the Local CORP Board meeting by **Michael Smarik** at **10:09 a.m., Thursday April 3, 2014.**

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –**

MOTION 04-14-01	
Motion:	Approval of Public and Executive Session Minutes from March 6, 2014.
Moved by:	P. Turley
Seconded by:	G. Herman
Discussion:	None
In Favor:	Unanimous
Motion:	Passed

**III. DISABILITY RETIREMENTS –**

MOTION 04-14-02	
Motion:	Go to Executive Session @ 10:12 am
Moved by:	C. McWilliams
Seconded by:	G. Herman
Discussion:	Request Executive Session to ask the Board’s lawyer questions
In Favor:	Unanimous
Motion:	Passed

**Return from Executive Session at 10:42 am**

**a. Keri Blasé – Ordinary Disability**

MOTION 04-14-03	
Motion:	Approve ordinary disability with a yearly re-examination
Moved by:	C. McWilliams
Seconded by:	G. Herman
Discussion:	Thomas Griffin – Blasé attorney, reviewed the sequences of events. He noted that there is no proof of a pre-existing condition and that Dr. Parker has noted that she is disabled. Dr. Parker requested missing doctor’s report, which Ms. Blasé made every attempt possible to find. Ms. Blasé was willing to sign any document giving the Board access to her medical records. He stated that Ms. Blasé meets the statutory requirement for an ordinary disability.
In Favor:	Unanimous
Motion:	Passed

**b. Corey Kuykendall – Accidental and Total and Permanent claims**

MOTION 04-14-04	
Motion:	Send Corey Kuykendall to a neuropsychologist
Moved by:	C. McWilliams
Seconded by:	P. Turley
Discussion:	Dr. Parker’s IME stated that a neuropsychologist should exam Mr. Kuykendall in order to make a discussion on disability.
In Favor:	Unanimous
Motion:	Passed

**IV. NORMAL RETIREMENTS –**

The following applications have been filed and are presented for Local Board consideration:  
The Board has received all retirement documentation from all applicants.

**a. Deferred Annuity**

1. Richard Dorien

**b. March 1, 2014**

1. Abraham Kaker

**c. April 1, 2014**

1. William Addison
2. Shane Chatwin
3. Linda Christmas
4. Richard Fuelling

- 5. **Thomas Higginson**
- 6. **Lewis Moon**
- 7. **David Morgan**
- 8. **William Ray**
- 9. **Martin Trevino**
- 10. **Jerold Young**

d. **May 1, 2014**

- 1. **Michael Verrett**

e. **June 1, 2014**

- 1. **Timothy Hatfield**

MOTION 04-14-05	
Motion:	Approve retirements for Section IV b, c, d, and e and the rescinding of retirement for Section IV a
Moved by:	C. McWilliams
Seconded by:	G. Herman
Discussion:	All documentation has been received
In Favor:	Unanimous
Motion:	Passed

V. **SURVIVOR BENEFITS** – The following applications have been filed and are presented for Local Board consideration:

- a. **Gregory Grunwald**
- b. **Marcos Munoz**
- c. **Donovan Parrish**
- d. **Dennis Weaver**

MOTION 04-14-06	
Motion:	Approve survivor benefits for V a, b, c, and d
Moved by:	P. Turley
Seconded by:	C. McWilliams
Discussion:	All documentation has been received
In Favor:	Unanimous
Motion:	Passed

VI. **DEATH BENEFITS** - --The following applications have been filed and are presented for Local Board consideration:

- a. **None**

VII. **REQUESTS TO REMAIN IN ASRS/CORP**

- a. **Carrie Amato – Request to remain in CORP.** Ms. Amato was hired on February 20, 2006

as a Corrections Officer. She is requesting to remain in CORP and is transferring into a Secretary position. Ms. Amato has 8 years of service in CORP.

MOTION 04-14-07	
Motion:	Due to length of service, deny request to remain in CORP
Moved by:	C. McWilliams
Seconded by:	P. Turley
Discussion:	Ms. Amato stated that because she has had knee surgery and will need a knee replace, she took an ASRS position
In Favor:	Unanimous
Motion:	Passed

**VIII. GENERAL DISCUSSION –**

**a. Correctional Education Program Specialist AUN04971/02**

Reports directly to the Education Administrator and consult with, and advises education program supervisors and teachers at the various complexes regarding the planning development, organization, and evaluation of special education programs.

ADC management does not believe the duties merit inclusion in CORP.

MOTION 04-14-08	
Motion:	Approve position to be in ASRS retirement system
Moved by:	C. McWilliams
Seconded by:	P. Turley
Discussion:	None
In Favor:	Unanimous
Motion:	Passed

**IX. CALL TO PUBLIC –**

**No public present**

Meeting adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Transcribed on 3rd day of April 2014.

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Jeffrey G. Potter, Local Board Secretary