

**MINUTES OF THE  
WV CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC RETIREMENT BOARD  
DISABILITY REVIEW COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF MAY 13, 2024**

A meeting of the West Virginia Consolidated Public Retirement Board (CPRB) Disability Review Committee was held on Tuesday, May 13, 2024 in the office of the West Virginia Consolidated Public Retirement Board located at 601 57<sup>th</sup> Street, SE, Charleston, WV 25304. Due notice had been published.

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. by D. Todd Murray, Chair.

**Roll Call**

**Members present:**

D. Todd Murray, Chair (*Google meet*)  
Bill Barker, (*Google meet*)  
Larry Cole, (*Google meet*)

**Members absent:**

Jeff Waybright, *representing Auditor John B. McCuskey*  
Michael Corsaro

**A quorum was present.**

**Also present:**

Jeff Fleck, CPRB Executive Director  
Terasa Miller, CPRB Deputy Director  
Kim Pauley, CPRB Executive Assistant  
Tammy White, CPRB Retirement/Payroll Assistant Manager  
Robbie Sheff, CPRB TDC Retirement Advisor  
Brittney James, CPRB PERS Disability Advisor  
Missy Williams, CPRB TRS Retirement Advisor  
Jon Booher, CPRB Uniformed Services Retirement Advisor

**Item 1: Approval of the April 4, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

Chairman Todd Murray stated that he would entertain a motion to approve the Disability Review Committee meeting minutes of April 4, 2024.

**Larry Cole made a motion to approve the April 4, 2024 meeting minutes.**

**The motion was seconded by Bill Barker. The motion was adopted.**

**Item 2: Disability Application Reviews**

Chairman Murray stated he would entertain a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss medical disability applications and contractual matters as allowed by West Virginia Code §6-9A-4.

**Bill Barker made a motion that the Disability Committee go into Executive Session. Larry Cole seconded the motion. The motion was adopted.**

*The Disability Committee went into Executive Session at 2:06 p.m.*

*Chairman Murray reconvened the Disability Committee from Executive Session at 2:07 p.m.*

Chairman Murray reviewed with the Committee staff’s recommendations regarding disability retirement applications from the following systems:

<b>System</b>	<b>Approved Total Non-Duty</b>	<b>Denied Total Non- Duty</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>PERS</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>TRS</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>20</b>

**Bill Barker made a motion that the Disability Committee approve the disability retirement applications as recommended by staff and recommend the same to the Board of Trustees. Larry Cole seconded the motion. The motion was adopted.**

**Item #3: MMRO Proposed Contract Information- Terasa Miller**

Ms. Miller informed the committee that at the last Committee meeting in April the item of business discussed was the MMRO Proposed Contract and reviewed it extensively with the Disability Committee. Ms. Miller mentioned that all the MMRO proposed contract information was included in the Disability Packets mailed to the Committee members to be reviewed before the meeting.

The Disability Committee met on April 4, 2024, and heard a presentation regarding the

services of MMRO. MMRO has 325 credentialed physicians in 65 specialties that can perform disability record review services. MMRO performs disability medical record reviews also for the public pension plans of Kentucky, Virginia, Michigan, Minnesota, Idaho, Wyoming, and others and is highly regarded with these public pension plans. The Disability Committee has reviewed a variety of reports provided by their “physician reviewers” (both approvals and denials), Penetration (Pen) Testing reports, Cyber security insurance (\$2 million per claim), SOC-2 report, and after thorough review, the Disability Committee would like to recommend to the Board that CPRB be allowed to enter into a contract with MMRO for Medical Board Review Services for a contract period of 2 years, with 5 one-year renewals at the following rates: (Note we currently pay \$850 for Dr. Grady). Ms. Miller reviewed the contract information listed below:

- New Disability Claim - \$745 per claim.
- Re-certifications - \$745 per claim.
- Appeal Reviews - \$845 per claim.
- Excess Medical Record Review - \$50 for each 50-page increment over 300 pages.

Ms. Miller informed the Committee that in the rare event that an IME, be necessary in addition to the physician review of the member’s medical records, MMRO’s fees would be:

- IME Direct Physician Cost\* + \$450
- Psychiatric IME – Direct Physician Cost\* + \$450
- Virtual Psychiatric Exam - \$2,150 per evaluation

\* The Direct Physician costs are estimated to be between (\$1,850 - \$2,850)

In addition, CPRB still has the contract with Tri State Occupational Medicine to do direct medical appointments with Dr. Grady and Dr. Guberman. This contract has been approved by the Attorney General’s office.

Chairman Murray said he would entertain a motion to accept the Committee recommendations regarding the MMRO contract for Medical Board Review Services to enter into a contract period of 2 years, with 5 one-year renewals with modest price modification proposals at each renewal.

**Larry Cole made a motion to approve the Committees recommendation. The motion**

**was seconded by Bill Barker. The motion was adopted.**

**Item #5: Old Business**

Chairman Murray inquired if there is any old business. None was heard.

**Item #6: New Business**

Chairman Murray inquired if there is any new business. None was heard.


**Adjournment**

Chairman Murray stated he would entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**Mr. Murray made a motion to adjourn. Bill Barker seconded the motion. The motion was adopted.**

*The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted,



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D. Todd Murray, Chairman



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Jeffrey Fleck, Executive Director