

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 27, 2019 – FINAL



TRUSTEE AND STAFF ATTENDANCE

Absent	Dennis Lawson, Chair – Central Pierce Fire and Rescue
Absent	Jason Granneman, Vice Chair – Clark County Sheriff’s Office
Teleconference	Adé Ariwoola – City of Federal Way
Teleconference	Mark Johnston – Vancouver Fire Department
Teleconference	AJ Johnson – Snohomish County Fire District #1
Absent	Representative Jeff Holy – Spokane Police Department (Retired)
Teleconference	Tarina Rose-Watson – Spokane Int’l Airport Police Dept
Absent	Dwight Dively – King County
Teleconference	Pat McElligott – Pierce County Fire and Rescue
Absent	Senator Judy Warnick – WA State Senator
Absent	Representative Steve Bergquist – WA State Representative
In Attendance	Steve Nelsen – Executive Director
Absent	Tim Valencia – Deputy Director
In Attendance	Jessie Jackson – Executive Assistant
In Attendance	Jessica Burkhart – Administrative Services Manager
In Attendance	Tammy Harman – Benefits Ombudsman
In Attendance	Jacob White – Senior Research and Policy Manager
In Attendance	Ryan Frost – Senior Research and Policy Manager
In Attendance	Tor Jernudd – Assistant Attorney General

CALL TO ORDER

The LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board met in the Washington State Investment conference room in Olympia, Washington on March 27, 2019. A quorum of the members was present at this meeting.

Executive Director Steve Nelsen called the meeting to order at 9:30AM and requested those present to take a moment of silence to honor those who had fallen since the last the Board meeting. Deputy Ryan Thompson from Kittitas County died in the line of duty. His partner Benito Chavez was injured in this same incident. Troy Larson from Thurston County suffered a stroke while on duty and is in recovery.

1. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Director Nelsen reviewed the following bills and their status.

LEOFF 2 Endorsed Bills:

HB 1297 | SB 5355 LEOFF/PERS Eligibility Gap – Passed out of the Senate, has had a hearing in the House and is currently waiting executive action in the House

HB 1408 | SB 5661 Spousal Consent Requirement – Passed out of the House, has already been exec’d out of committee in the Senate. The next step would be getting out of Rules onto the Senate floor

HB 1414 | SSB 5335 Month of Death Payment – Dead in both the House and the Senate

Other Bills of Interest:

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HB 2144 | SB 5383 Benefit Improvement Account Funding – Has had hearing in both the House and the Senate

HB 2127 Concerning Additional Contribution Rates – This bill did not move forward

LEOFF 1 / LEOFF 2 Merger – Senator Van de Wege sent an email last night that the merger bill is not moving forward this session. He does not intend to work on it during the interim.

HB 1913 | SB 5849 Presumption of Occupational Disease for Purposes of Worker’s Compensation

HB 1909 | SSB 5844 Confidentiality of Insurance Claim Records

2. ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

Director Nelsen reviewed the upcoming outreach activity where staff will provide an outreach table:

- WSCFF Educational Seminar (April 16-18)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:46AM .

The next meeting of the LEOFF Plan 2 Retirement Board is scheduled for April 24, 2019 at the Washington State Investment Board located at 2100 Evergreen Park Drive S.W. Olympia, WA 98502.