

**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN**  
**WISCONSIN RETIREMENT BOARD**

**Thursday, September 16, 2004**

**Sheraton Madison Hotel**  
**706 John Nolen Drive**  
**Madison, Wisconsin**

**BOARD PRESENT:** Marilyn Wigdahl, Chair  
Jefferson Davis, Secretary  
Barbara Ermeling  
Rick Gale  
Wayne Koessl

**BOARD NOT PRESENT:** Ted Bauer  
John Brown, Vice Chair  
Jorge Gomez

**PARTICIPATING ETF STAFF:** Eric Stanchfield, Secretary  
Dave Stella, Deputy Secretary  
Julie Reneau, Administrator, Division of Retirement Services  
Audrey Koehn, Director, Disability Programs Bureau  
Christina Licari, Board Liaison  
Robert Weber, Chief Legal Counsel

**OTHERS PRESENT:** None

Marilyn Wigdahl, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:38 p.m.

**CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

***Motion: Ms. Ermeling moved approval of the minutes of the June 17, 2004, meeting.  
Mr. Koessl seconded the motion, which passed without objection on a voice vote.***

**2005 MEETING DATES**

Ms. Licari presented the proposed 2005 meeting dates. She noted that dates were determined by the timing requirements of the quarterly Board meetings, executive staff availability and conference center and lodging availability. The proposed dates for the 2005 meetings are:

Thursday, Friday	March 17-18, 2005
Thursday, Friday	June 23-24, 2005
Thursday, Friday	September 22-23, 2005
Thursday, Friday	December 15-16, 2005

***Motion: Mr. Gale moved approval of the proposed 2005 meeting dates.  
Mr. Koessl seconded the motion, which passed without objection on a voice vote.***

## DISABILITY STATISTICS SUMMARY REPORT

Ms. Koehn reviewed the *WRS Disability Benefit Annuity Statistical Report*. Ms. Koehn noted that current statistics reflect that the most frequent age of teacher category disability applicants is 51-55.

## ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

Mr. Weber presented draft language for amending the rule regarding the acceptance by the Department of documents received via facsimile and electronic mail. The draft language identifies electronic documents as functionally the same as original documents and allows electronic documents to be accepted with no requirement of also submitting an original.

***Motion: Mr. Davis moved to approve the proposed rule and notice of public hearing for publication. Mr. Gale seconded the motion, which passed without objection on a voice vote.***

## MOTION TO CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

Ms. Wigdahl announced that the Wisconsin Retirement Board would convene in closed session, pursuant to the exemptions contained in Wis. Stat. § 19.85 (1) (a) for quasi-judicial deliberations. Ms. Licari was invited to remain during the closed session.

***Motion: Mr. Davis moved to convene in closed session, pursuant to the exemptions contained in Wis. Stat. § 19.85 (1) (a) for quasi-judicial deliberations. Mr. Gale seconded the motion, which passed on the following roll call vote.***

**Members voting aye: J. Davis, B. Ermeling, R. Gale, W. Koessler, M. Wigdahl**

**Members voting nay: none**

The Wisconsin Retirement Board convened in closed session at 2:05 p.m. and reconvened in open session at 2:40 p.m.

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN ON BUSINESS DELIBERATED DURING CLOSED SESSION

Ms. Wigdahl announced that the Board took the following action during the closed session:

- **Appeal 2002-015-WR.** The Board adopted the hearing examiner's proposed decision with amendments as recommended by counsel.
- **Appeal 2000-065-WR.** The Board adopted the hearing examiner's proposed decision.
- **Appeals 99-003-WR, 99-028-WR, 99-056-WR and 99-107-WR.** The Board adopted the hearing examiner's proposed decision with amendments as recommended by counsel.
- **Appeal 2001-060-WR.** The Board adopted the hearing examiner's proposed decision with amendments as recommended by counsel.
- **Appeal 2000-068-WR.** The Board adopted the hearing examiner's proposed decision with amendments as recommended by counsel.

## ADJOURNMENT

***Motion: Mr. Davis moved adjournment. Ms. Wigdahl seconded the motion, which passed without objection on a voice vote.***

The meeting of the Wisconsin Retirement Board adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Jefferson Davis, Secretary  
Wisconsin Retirement Board