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Correspondence Memorandum

Date: February 19, 2018
To: Employee Trust Funds Board
From: Kim Esselman, Appeals Coordinator
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Subject: Pending Appeals

This memo is for informational purposes only. No Board action is necessary.

During calendar year 2017, 14 new appeals were filed; 5 final decisions were issued; and 95 appeals were withdrawn.

As of December 31, 2017, there were 270 pending appeals, which can be divided into the following categories:

Employee Trust Funds Board (257)	
Participation	7 ¹
Category of Employment	234 ²
Final Annuity Calculation	4

¹ Seven (7) of the pending ETF appeals involve a single group of employees who believe they should be reported by their employers as Wisconsin Retirement System participants.

² Two hundred thirty-four (234) of the pending ETF appeals involve a group of employees who were changed from the Protective employment category to the General employment category.

Reviewed and approved by Pamela Henning, Assistant Deputy Secretary
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Electronically Signed 3/13/18

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Long-Term Disability Insurance	11 ³
Sick Leave Credit.....	1

Wisconsin Retirement Board (5)

40.63 Disability Benefit	3
40.65 Disability	2

Group Insurance Board (8)

Health Insurance.....	3
Income Continuation Insurance	3
Life Insurance	2

Staff will be available at the March 29, 2018, meeting to answer questions.

³ Effective January 1, 2018, the LTDI program closed to new claims and re-opened the Wis. Stat. § 40.63 Disability Annuity Program (40.63) to all eligible employees. Closing the LTDI program entailed moving oversight of the program's runout from the Group Insurance Board to the Employee Trust Funds Board. As a part of these overall changes, LTDI appeals will now be decided by the Employee Trust Funds Board.