



City of Austin Employees' Retirement System

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF AUSTIN EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM**  
**SPECIAL CALLED BOARD MEETING**  
**Tuesday, June 7, 2005 – 10:30 a.m.**  
**418 E. Highland Mall Blvd.**

**Board Members Present**

Dennis Waley, Board Chair  
Reagan David, Board Vice-Chair  
Janet Bartles  
Francis E. Benoit  
Eyna Canales-Zarate  
Betty Dunkerley  
Francine Gertz  
Elizabeth S. Gonzales  
Ed Golden  
Mark Monteith  
Cathy Rodgers

**Absent**

Jackie Goodman

**Guests and Staff Present**

Stephen C. Edmonds, Executive Director  
Donna Boykin, Finance Manager  
Dr. Robert Dennison  
Rhonda Helm, Operations Manager  
Jack Kirfman, AFSCME  
Barney Knight, General Counsel  
Tom Medders, Members' Association  
Jesse Ortega, Administrative Supervisor  
Madeline Pearsall, Members' Association

The meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. by Board Chair D. Waley.

**I. Review of Meeting Agenda**

There were no changes to the meeting agenda.

**II. Board Member Recognition of Service – Mayor Pro Tem Jackie Goodman**

This agenda item was postponed until the June 21, 2005 Board Meeting.

**III. Oath of Office – City Council Member Trustee Place 1 – Betty Dunkerley**

S. Edmonds administered the Oath of Office to City Council Member Trustee Place 1, Betty Dunkerley.

**IV. Disability Retirement**

**A. Convene into Executive Session at 10:40 a.m. Pursuant to Sec. 13, Art. 6243n., and Sec. 551.0785, Texas Government Code to Consider and Act on Disability Retirement Applications for:**

- 1. Ronnie Miller**
- 2. Virgil Silagi**
- 3. Ramona Tamez Wright**
- 4. Edward Wright**

**B. Re-convene into Public Session at 12:03 p.m. and Take Action as Determined Appropriate by the Board regarding Disability Retirement Applications for:**

1. **Ronnie Miller**
2. **Virgil Silagi**
3. **Ramona Tamez Wright**
4. **Edward Wright**

E. Canales-Zarate made a motion to approve disability retirement benefits for Ronnie Miller. C. Rodgers seconded the motion. E. Canales-Zarate made an amendment to the motion to make the approval contingent upon re-evaluation in one year to reassess the disability based on training at The State School for the Visually Impaired. C. Rodgers accepted the friendly amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

E.S. Gonzales made a motion to approve disability retirement benefits for Virgil Silagi. J. Bartles seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

F. Gertz made a motion to approve disability retirement benefits for Ramona Tamez Wright. C. Rodgers seconded the motion. Motion carried with F.E. Benoit abstaining.

F. Gertz made a motion to deny disability retirement benefits for Edward Wright. M. Monteith seconded the motion. Motion carried with F.E. Benoit abstaining.

**V. Election of Board Chair and/or Vice Chair Effective Upon Current Chair's Resignation**

D. Waley advised that his resignation from the Board would be effective after the June 21, 2005 Board meeting. He opened up the floor for nominations for the Board Chair position.

E.S. Gonzales made a motion to nominate R. David as Board Chair. E. Canales-Zarate seconded the motion. Motion carried with F.E. Benoit abstaining.

With R. David's appointment as Board Chair, the position of Board Vice Chair required Board action. F. Gertz made a motion to nominate M. Monteith as Board Vice Chair. E. Canales-Zarate seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

  
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Dennis Waley, Board Chair

Date 6-21-05

  
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Stephen C. Edmonds, Executive Director

Date 6/21/05