

NOTE: These minutes from the April 7, 2026, Benefits Committee meeting were approved at the May 5, 2026 Benefits Committee Meeting.

**Benefits Committee
Board of Trustees
April 7, 2026**

Public Minutes

**New Hampshire Retirement System
54 Regional Drive
Concord, NH 03301**

As the Committee members were participating electronically pursuant to RSA 100-A:14-a, all votes were by roll call pursuant to RSA 91-A.

Committee Members participating: Chair Jon Frederick, Andrew Martineau, Charles Nickerson, and Donald Roy. *Committee Members absent:* Leah McKenna

Staff present: Jan Goodwin, Executive Director; Annie Gregori, Chief Legal Counsel; Diana Crichton, Associate Counsel & Compliance Officer; and Malin Wahl, Executive Assistant, Legal.

Having established a quorum, Chair Frederick called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm. On a motion by Trustee Martineau, seconded by Trustee Roy, the Committee voted, with Trustee Nickerson abstaining, to approve the minutes of the March 3, 2026, Committee meeting.

The Committee then considered the four disability applications on the Consent Agenda, and the February Committee minutes. On a motion by Trustee Roy, seconded by Trustee Martineau, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Next, the Committee reviewed the circumstances of an administrative appeal filed by the spouse of a deceased group II member. On a motion by Trustee Nickerson, seconded by Trustee Roy, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend to the Board of Trustees that it authorize NHRS to grant Accidental Death benefits to decedent's spouse; and authorize Staff to offset the Ordinary Death benefits received against the retroactive Accidental Death benefits to be paid.

The Committee then reviewed the request from the spouse of a deceased group I member. On a motion by Trustee Nickerson, seconded by Trustee Martineau, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend to the Board that it grant the decedent two additional days as an active member under RSA 100-A:4, III(a), and allow her beneficiaries to receive Ordinary Death benefits.

With no further business to be discussed, on a motion by Trustee Roy and seconded by Trustee Martineau, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Malin Wahl
Executive Assistant, Legal