

NOTE: These minutes from the July 6, 2021 Benefits Committee meeting were approved at the September 7, 2021 Committee meeting.

**Benefits Committee
Board of Trustees
July 6, 2021**

Public Minutes

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

Committee Members: Trustees: Bill Hart, Acting Chair; Melvin Friese, Andrew Martineau, and Don Roy. Absent: Chris Coates.

Staff present: Jan Goodwin, *Executive Director*; Tim Crutchfield, *Deputy Director and Chief Legal Counsel*; Mark Cavanaugh, Esq., *Associate Counsel & Compliance Officer*; and Nancy Miller, *Director of Member Services*.

Having established a quorum with all Trustees participating remotely, Acting Chair Hart called the Benefits Committee meeting to order at 10:33 am. On a motion by Trustee Roy, seconded by Trustee Friese, the Committee voted by roll call, 3-0, to approve the minutes of the May 25, 2021 Committee meeting. Trustee Martineau abstained.

The next topic was a review of the disability materials that are routinely provided to the Board as part of the monthly Consent Agenda to see if efficiencies can be improved to maximize the time and efforts of the Trustees. Following a discussion, the Committee members supported recommending to the full Board that the following four types of documents be provided: the Hearings Examiner's recommendation, the exhibit list, any Treating Physician Statements, and the Independent Medical Evaluation. Staff noted that any additional disability documentation would be provided upon request.

With no further business to discuss in the public meeting, on a motion by Trustee Roy, seconded by Trustee Martineau, the Committee voted unanimously by roll call to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Crutchfield