**NOTE:** These minutes from the March 4, 2025, Benefits Committee meeting were approved at the April 1, 2025, Committee meeting.

## Benefits Committee Board of Trustees March 4, 2025

## **Public Minutes**

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

As 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, Leah McKenna, and Don Roy.

Staff present: Jan Goodwin, Executive Director; Mark Cavanaugh, Deputy Counsel and Compliance Officer; and Diana Crichton, Hearings Examiner.

Having established a quorum, Chair Frederick called the Benefits Committee meeting to order at approximately12:00 p.m. Next, he called for a motion to accept the minutes of the February 4, 2025, Committee meeting. On a motion by Trustee Roy, seconded by Trustee Frederick, the Committee accepted the minutes with Trustee McKenna abstaining.

The Committee then reviewed the six disability applications on the Consent Agenda. On a motion by Trustee Roy, seconded by Trustee McKenna, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the Agenda as presented.

Next, Trustee McKenna asked about the process for engaging independent medical examiners for disability applications. A brief discussion ensued with Attorney Cavanaugh describing the three physicians who have had a long-standing relationship with NHRS, and NHRS' recent effort to expand the pool of available independent medical examiners by issuing a request for proposals.

With no further business to discuss, on a motion by Trustee McKenna, seconded by Trustee Roy, the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Crichton