



# ELOY FIRE DISTRICT

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## OFFICIAL MINUTES ELOY FIRE DISTRICT P.S.P.R.S. LOCAL PENSION BOARD MEETING March 27, 2025

### 1. Call to Order

A meeting of the Board was called to order by Chairperson Toni Lorona Carlson at the Eloy Fire District Administration Office, 4010 N Toltec Road, Eloy, AZ. at 9:05 AM on Thursday, March 27, 2025.

### 2. Roll Call of PSPRS Local Board Members

Quorum was confirmed with four members present as follows: Jeremy Leary, Coy Amerson, Michelle Tarango, and Toni Lorona Carlson.

Others in attendance: Joshua Grandinetti, and Andrew Apodaca

### 3. Approval of Minutes

- A. Minutes of Executive Session held on January 15th, 2025. MOTION made by Coy Amerson to approve the minutes of the Executive Session on January 15th, 2025. SECONDED by Michelle Tarango. MOTION PASSED (4 ayes: Leary, Amerson, Lorona Carlson, Tarango; 0 nays).

### 4. Executive Session

Executive Session discussion is confidential. MOTION made by Coy Amerson to go into Executive Session for legal advice and/or confidential medical review. SECONDED by Michelle Tarango. MOTION PASSED (4 ayes: Leary, Lorona Carlson, Tarango; 0 nays). The Executive Session began at 9:13 AM. The regular session resumed at 9:40 AM.

### 5. Business

- A. Review, discussion, and possible decision on PSPRS Accidental Disability Application filed by Josh Grandinetti.

Coy Amerson noted on the record that, in his opinion, the medical evidence is clear and supports granting Mr. Grandinetti's disability application. He noted the odd fact that Mr. Grandinetti has now been terminated from the Eloy Fire District, but is now seeking employment with Mesa Fire. He noted that obviously this Board cannot stop him from seeking employment. Mr. Amerson noted that he actually hired Mr. Grandinetti, and thanked him for his service to the district. Mr. Amerson noted that leaving the profession can be painful, and Mr. Grandinetti noted a form of "identity crisis" knowing that he is unable to be a Firefighter anymore. Mr. Amerson noted for the record that the Local Board may call Mr. Grandinetti back for a follow-up medical board exam if it appears that his disabling condition has recovered, or resolved. Mr. Grandinetti acknowledged this possibility.



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MOTION made by Jeremy Leary to approve Josh Grandinetti's application for an accidental disability application based on a finding that:

- A) The medical board report of Dr. Patrick Bays, dated February 3, 2025, and P5-LB-A form completed by Dr. Bays on February 18, 2025, both clearly indicate that
  - i. Mr. Grandinetti can prove all statutory elements of an accidental disability (pg 11); [AND]
  - ii. Mr. Grandinetti's condition is not the same as any condition that existed prior to his PSPRS Membership (pg 12)
- B) [AND] There are no conflicts in medical evidence that require Board review;

SECONDED by Coy Amerson. MOTION PASSED (4 ayes: Leary, Lorona Carlson, Amerson, Tarango; 0 nays)

## 6. Future Agenda Items or Announcements

- A. Future meeting for 2025 is set for May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 10:00am
- B. Michelle Tarango appointed for a new term
- C. Open member seat available on local PSPRS board

## 7. Adjournment

MOTION made by Michelle Tarango to adjourn. SECONDED by Jeremy Leary. MOTION PASSED (4 ayes: Leary, Amerson, Lorona Carlson, Tarango; 0 nays). The meeting was adjourned at 9:50am AM.

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Chairperson

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Secretary