

MINUTES

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

METROPOLITAN EMPLOYEE BENEFIT BOARD

February 19, 2008

The Metropolitan Employee Benefit Board met in a special called session on Thursday, February 7, 2008 in the Civil Service Conference Room, Suite 163, 222 Building, Third Avenue North, Nashville, Tennessee, at approximately 9:06 a.m.

Benefit Board members: Chair: Ann V. Butterworth; Vice Chair: Clyde D. Smith; Members: Christine Bradley, Douglas D. Conquest, Sr., B.R. Hall, Sr., James H. Johnson, Edna J. Jones, Richard M. Riebeling, Dorothy Shell-Berry and H. Russell White.

Others present: Shannon B. Hall, Metro Human Resources, Nicki Eke, Attorney, Metro Legal Department and Christopher Fletcher, Civil Service Medical Examiner.

BENEFIT BOARD ITEMS

The Human Resources staff submitted the following for the Board's consideration and appropriate action:

1. Contested case procedures.

Dorothy Shell-Berry moved for approval of the contested case procedures. James Johnson seconded.

Mike Safley, Legal Department, reviewed the changes incorporated into the contested case procedures as the Board suggested at their last meeting. He stated that the issue of implementing a sunset date would be best addressed in the motion for approval of the procedure rather than being included in the procedure.

After discussion of language to address a sunset date for the procedures, the proposed state legislation being approved by the Council and the effects the sunset date would have on a current case, the maker of the motion accepted an amendment to the motion to have the procedures sunset at such time as the Council approves the state legislation to exclude Metro from the Administrative Procedures Act. The amendment was accepted by the seconder of the motion.

There was discussion of funding for the administrative law judges. There was clarification that the Board is not approving the funds associated with this process at this time.

A vote was taken on the motion and the amended procedures were approved unanimously by the Board.

With nothing further presented, the meeting adjourned at 9:21 a.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

**Mrs. Dorothy Shell-Berry, Interim Director
Human Resources**

**Ms. Ann V. Butterworth, Chair
Employee Benefit Board**