

**BERKS COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT FUND BOARD MINUTES**  
**NOVEMBER 21, 2024 – Approved December 23, 2024**

The Berks County Retirement Fund Board met in a regular session on Thursday, November 21, 2024, at 9:30 A.M. in the Commissioners' Boardroom, 13<sup>th</sup> floor of the Berks County Services Center, and via Microsoft Teams Live, pursuant to due notice to Board members and the public.

Chairman Christian Leinbach called the meeting to order with Vice Chairman Dante Santoni Jr.; Treasurer Mitchell Darcourt; and Member Commissioner Michael Rivera in attendance. Secretary Joseph Rudderow III was absent. The following County staff attended: Cody Kauffman, 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant County Solicitor; Jessica Weaknecht, Chief Human Resources Officer; Kevin Barnhardt, Chief Operations Officer; Wendy Pennington, Benefits Manager; Linda Weaver, Chief Deputy Treasurer; and Jonnelle Keller, Benefits/Pension Coordinator.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the October 21, 2024, meeting were approved as presented.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

Chairman Christian Leinbach reported the balance in the Berks County Employee's Pension Fund as of November 20 2024, was \$578,826,869.33.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Michael Rivera and seconded by Vice Chairman Dante Santoni Jr. to authorize the following. Motion carried.

- 28R.2024    A.    Adopt a resolution authorizing and approving employee buyback request as follows:
1.    Nisa Hertzog purchasing 2 months, and 29 days of leave of absence time in the amount of \$1,364.56.

**AUTHORIZE DISBURSEMENTS**

1. A motion was made by Member Commissioner Michael Rivera and seconded by Vice Chairman Dante Santoni Jr. to authorize the following. Motion carried.

- 29R.2024    A.    Adopt a resolution authorizing and approving annuities and refunds for November 2024 as follows:

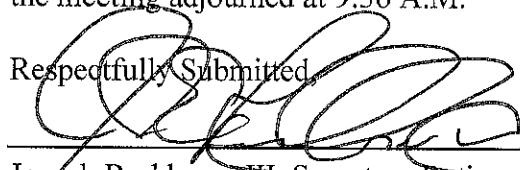
Annuities	\$ 2,469,260.94
Refund	\$ 400,486.97
Total	<u>\$ 2,869,747.91</u>

2. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Dante Santoni Jr. and seconded by Member Commissioner Michael Rivera to authorize the following. Motion carried.

30R.2024 A. Adopt a resolution authorizing and approving payment of Invoice 31031 in the amount of \$37,800.00 to EHD (Engle-Hambright & Davies, Inc.) for the 2024-2025 Fiduciary Liability Policy.

There being no further business, on a motion made by Member Commissioner Michael Rivera the meeting adjourned at 9:36 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Joseph Rudderow III, Secretary Retirement Fund Board