

TUCSON AIRPORT AUTHORITY
Joint Fire and Police Public Safety Personnel Retirement System
Local Board Regular Meeting

Tuesday, January 13, 2026 | 8:00 a.m. | TAA BOARD ROOM/Teams Meeting

THIS BOARD MEETING WAS HELD IN PERSON, WITH LOCAL PSPRS BOARD MEMBERS ATTENDING VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS OR IN PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAD THE OPTION TO ATTEND IN PERSON.

1. CALL TO ORDER | ROLL CALL

Chair Ivanoff called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M

Board Members Present: Chair John Ivaoff and Board Member Scott Lackey present in person, and Board Member Raymon Smith, Board Member Jim Ronstadt, and Vice Chair Taunya Villicaña (via TEAMS)

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Board Attorney Andrew Apodaca, Esq. and Local Board Secretary Jennifer Shields, alternate Local Board Secretary Carolina Cordova

TAA Employees Present: Manager of Employee Services Erin Thompson, Deputy General Counsel Kim Outlaw Ryan, Associate General Counsel LeCarie Whitfield, Executive Vice President/General Counsel Chris Schmaltz, Vice President/Chief Financial Officer Kim Allison, Vice President of Operations Chris Deitz, President/CEO Danette Bewley,

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Board Member Ronstadt and seconded by Board Member Smith, to approve the minutes of the Joint Fire and Police PSPRS Local Board Regular Meeting held on October 21,2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes (5) Ronstadt, Ivanoff, Lackey, Smith, and Villicaña

Nays (0)

3. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION

a. Chair Ivanoff recognized Executive Vice President/General Counsel Chris Schmaltz to talk about TAA's support, both staff and financial, for the Local Board's roles and responsibilities in service to TAA's PSPRS member employees. Mr. Schmaltz thanked the Board for their service and spoke about the importance that the Board serves to the members they represent. Mr. Schmaltz wanted to make sure the Board knew that TAA staff were available for anything that the Board needed, with regards to support. Chair Ivanoff, Vice Chair Villicana, Board Member Ronstadt, Board Member Smith and Board

Member Lackey thanked the TAA departments that assist the Board and all PSPRS members, with special thanks to the Board Attorney Andrew Apodaca for the service he provides. All Board members expressed appreciation for the improvements in the process, scheduling and communication.

Chair Ivanoff raised discussion on the topic of the TAA doing due diligence in seeking professional services for the PSPRS Local Board attorney. The term of the current Board attorney, Andrew Apodaca, was discussed and Chair Ivanoff asked the rest of the Board members their thoughts on the matter of an open vetting process for attorneys. Vice Chair Villicana, Board Member Ronstadt, Board Member Smith, and Board Member Lackey were all open to the opportunity for TAA to seek professional services for a Local Board attorney and follow a competitive process.

b. Chair Ivanoff opened the floor to Vice President/Chief Financial Officer Kim Allison, to discuss and review any questions regarding the PSPRS Funding Policy approved by the TAA Board of Directors for FY 2026. There was a brief discussion about the COVID era issues when the PSPRS system was underfunded and that the TAA took steps to fund the system to over 90%. President/CEO Danette Bewley also spoke about the challenges facing the PSPRS system in 2020, and that TAA was very committed to funding the program for the PSPRS employees, to the point that TAA took out a reserve loan and spoke to the TAA Board members and airline partners about what and why it was happening. President/CEO Bewley also mentioned that the goal of the TAA is to put PSPRS employees first and that the goal is to keep funding at or above 90%. All of the PSPRS Board members expressed appreciation for the job that Finance and TAA in general were doing in supporting PSPRS personnel.

c. Chair Ivanoff noted that all Governor appointed PSPRS Board Members have been reappointed. Board Secretary Jennifer Shields acknowledged that all signed oaths had been received from the Governor's office except for the Chair. Ms. Shields confirmed she would touch base with the Governor's office to see about the delay.

d. Chair Ivanoff and the Board members held a brief discussion about the 2026 PSPRS Local Board Meeting Schedule. Board Secretary Jennifer Shields stated that the upcoming dates were for April 14, July 14, and October 13, 2026. There were no comments or concerns from the rest of the Board members.

4. RETURN-TO-WORK ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION

The PSPRS Local Board reviewed, discussed, and took appropriate action regarding the return-to-work eligibility and alternate contribution rates for the following PSPRS retirees pursuant to [A.R.S. § 38-849](#):

Employee/Start Date	Position	Prior Agency
Cris Gonzales 11/03/2025	Police Officer	Pima County Sheriff

Motion by Vice Chair Villicaña and seconded by Board Member Lackey, to find that the position of Police Officer is one that is typically filled by a covered employee, and therefore the Alternate Contribution Rate is owed for Cris Gonzales.


Ayes (5) Ronstadt, Villicaña, Ivanoff, Lackey, and Smith

Nays (0)

5. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Ivanoff adjourned the meeting at 8:33 A.M.

APPROVED BY:



John Ivanoff, Chair
Date: 2/3/2026

Prepared by:



Jennifer Shields, Board Secretary
Date: 2/3/2026