

NEWTON RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, June 20, 2018 – 3:00 p.m.
Room 211 – Newton City Hall



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Agenda Items:

- Board to review minutes of meeting held on May 23, 2018.
- Section 101 benefit for Donna DeSimone, widow of accidental disability retiree John DeSimone, who died on June 6, 2018.
- Section 12(2)(d) benefit to Melody O'Neil, widow of Sean O'Neil who was an inactive teacher aide and died on May 31, 2018.
- New application(s) for superannuation retirement:

Member	Position	Dept.	DOR
David Benson	Teacher Aide	School	6/30/2018
Edward Hauben	Exec. Director Community Ed.	School	6/3/2018
Patricia Quinn	Teacher Aide	School	6/30/2018
Mark Wadness	Teacher Aide	School	9/4/2018

Administrative Items:

- Monthly financial reporting, month ending 4/30/18.
- Correction in creditable service reported to Rhonda Libman Forman, School Teacher Aide.
- CRAB decision *PERAC v. CRAB, Swampscott Retirement Board & Vernava*, 478 Mass. 832 (2018).
- Board to approve the following expense warrants:

Warrant# C6-18	6/21/2018	Federal Tax Deposit Funding re: Member Account Disb.	\$ 5,540.36
Warrant# 11-18	6/21/2018	Administrative Expense/Member Account Disb.	\$ 218,141.42
Warrant# 12-18	6/27/2018	6/30/18 Contributory Pension Payroll	\$3,317,420.97

Pending Agenda Items:

- Storage of permanent retirement records.
- Board approval of increase in retiree COLA base to \$13,000. Pending approval by the City Council.
Finance Committee denied 4-0 on May 30, 2018.

- Current status of pending disability retirement application(s) – **informational only:**

Applicant	Dept.	Current Status
Jose Morales	(Ret.) Fire	Staff collecting medical records.

- Current status of pending appeal cases - **informational only:**

Petitioner	Docket#	Current Status
Steven Caissie	CR-16-579	Board voted 1/25/2017 to withdraw appeal and join Atty. Poser's appeal as a participating party. Hearing date TBD. Joint pre-hearing memo due 8/21/18.
Mark Colantonio	CR-16-274	Pending DALA decision (hearing was on 11/20/2017). Mr. Colantonio submitted a letter to DALA dated 12/31/2017. Board voted 1/24/18 to have board counsel submit a brief response to DALA with regard to Mr. Colantonio's 12/31/2017 letter. Bd. counsel submitted letter 2/20/18.
Jeanne Layton	CR-12-527 CR-17-205	DALA approved Board's appeal 7/21/2017. State Retirement Board appealed DALA decision to CRAB 7/25/2017. Board counsel filed motion to dismiss on State Ret. Bd. issue only (1/29/2018). State Retirement Board filed special legislation H33 on 1/23/2017 to direct group classification of prior service by retirement board member is retiring from. Newton filed "Board's Status Report" with DALA on 5/22/18.
Edward Murphy	CR-17-724	DALA notice of receipt of appeal dated 8/24/2017. Board filed motion to add PERAC as necessary party on 1/10/2018. Motion approved 1/12/18.

Next scheduled Retirement Board meeting: July 18, 2018 @ 3:00 p.m. in Room 211

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