

NEWTON RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING Wednesday, June 24, 2020 – 3:00 p.m.



The Newton Retirement Board will hold this meeting as a virtual meeting via ZOOM software on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. To view this meeting use this link at the above date and time: https://zoom.us/i/95762423054?pwd=a0RmWXFVMDJJeGhVcnN3eU10SWtadz09

New Agenda Items:

- 1. Board to review minutes of meeting held on May 20, 2020.
- 2. Application for member-survivor benefit, pursuant to MGL Chapter 32, Section 12(2)(d), filed by Nicholas Polychronopoulos, son and Option D beneficiary of Stavroula Polychronopoulos, Teacher Aide, who died May 28, 2020.

Administrative Agenda Items:

- 1. Monthly financial reporting for month ending April 30, 2020.
- 2. Review applications received for Administrative Assistant position.
- 3. New application(s) for superannuation retirement:

| Member | Position | Dept. | DOR |
|---------------------|------------------------|----------------------|------------|
| Wanda Bender | Teacher Aide | School | 6/30/2020 |
| Scott Bleakney | Highway Construction | DPW | 6/30/2020* |
| Gerald Boudrot | Yard Maint. Supervisor | DPW | 5/29/2020 |
| Pasquale Caruso | Firefighter | Fire | 7/7/2020 |
| William Carvelli | Deputy Chief | Fire | 7/5/2020 |
| Deborah Christopher | Teacher Aide | School | 6/30/2020 |
| Margaret Diman | Teacher Aide | School | 6/30/2020 |
| George Herlihy | Storekeeper | DPW | 5/29/2020 |
| Mary Lortie | Certified School Nurse | Health & Human Svcs. | 9/1/2020 |
| Barbara Molé | Executive Assistant | School | 7/31/2020 |
| Ernest Peltier | Custodian | School | 6/30/2020 |
| Carmen Tocci | Custodian | School | 7/10/2020 |

^{*}New date

4. Board to approve the following expense warrants:

| Warrant# 11-20 | 6/25/2020 | Administrative expense/member account disbursements | \$ 98,750.21 |
|---------------------------------|-----------|---|----------------|
| Warrant# 12-20 6/26/2020 6/30/2 | | 6/30/2020 Contributory Pension Payroll | \$3,614,986.27 |

Pending Agenda Items:

- 1. Office security.
- 2. Legal RFP public notice posted on PERAC website 6/16/20. Proposal filing deadline 8/3/20.

3. Current status of pending disability/accidental death retirement application(s):

| Applicant | Dept. | Current Status |
|--------------|--------------|--|
| | | Staff are collecting medical records. *PERAC is not scheduling exams until |
| Diane DeLuca | School Cust. | further notice due to COVID 19 situation. Virtual exams may be requested. |

4. Current status of pending appeal cases - informational only:

| Petitioner | Docket# | Status |
|-----------------|------------|--|
| | | Board voted 1/25/2017 to withdraw appeal and join Atty. Poser's appeal as a participating party. Hearing held 8/1/19. DALA decision upholding NRB decision |
| Steven Caissie | CR-16-579 | 2/7/20. PERAC appealed to CRAB 2/19/20. |
| Educated Museum | OD 47 704 | Board filed motion to add PERAC as necessary party on 1/10/2018. Motion |
| Edward Murphy | CR-17-724 | approved 1/12/2018. DALA issued "First Pre-Hearing Order" on 6/25/19. |
| (NEW) | | 5/19/20 Mr. Metro appealed denial of \$300/yr. veterans' benefit. Ordinary |
| Richard Metro | CR-20-0237 | Disability retirees are not eligible for this benefit. |

NOTE: The Board reserves the right to consider items on the agenda out of order. The listing of matters is those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. Items identified for discussion in Executive Session may be conducted in open session, in addition to or in lieu of discussion in Executive Session. A motion to convene an Executive Session may be entertained during the meeting. Meetings are open to the public and will be held in the designated meeting room in Newton City Hall.

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