

HULL CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING

March 26, 2008

9:00 a.m. (Selectmen's Meeting Room)

The regular meeting of the Hull Contributory Retirement Board, duly posted to be held in the Selectmen's Meeting Room, Town Hall, Hull, MA on the above date was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Present were Marcia Bohinc, Chairperson, Members Leonard Colten, Maurice Murphy arrived 9:05a.m., Gerald Ball, and Rocky Tenaglia and Retirement Administrator, Jennifer Miller.

The Board acknowledges that Rocky Tenaglia was absent from February's meeting due to jury duty.

To Be Voted:

Read and attest to the minutes from the February 26, 2008 regular Board Meeting

Motion made by Leonard Colten seconded by Gerald Ball to attest to the minutes of the meeting held on February 26, 2008.

Unanimously voted:

Notice of Injuries:

- Roy Ahlquist – Fire Department Group 4 – Injury 03/03/08 – Report 03/12/08
- Joseph W. Lyons Jr. – Fire Department Group 4 – Injury 03/03/08 – Report 03/12/08

Payments

- Sign all bill warrants for March 2008
- Sign the contributory payroll for March 2008

The Board signed all of the bill warrants inclusive of the refund and transfer as well as the contributory payroll for the month of March.

Refund

- Daniel Gray – refund due in the amount of \$57.17, amount of accumulated deductions, which taken in error after the date of termination 12/27/2008.

Motion made by Rocky Tenaglia seconded by Gerald Ball to refund Daniel Gray as described above.

Unanimously voted:

Transfer

- Mass Teachers' Retirement System request transfer of member's funds held in the name of Lois Barbour, former Hull School Paraprofessional.

Transfer of Ms. Barbour's account to the Teachers Board as follows: \$731.63 amount of accumulated deductions, plus \$3.97, interest, to a total transfer of \$734.86. The Hull Retirement Board accepts service credit liability of 4 months for the period of 09/01/2006 to 01/19/2007.

Motion made by Rocky Tenaglia seconded by Gerald Ball to transfer Lois Barbour to the Mass Teachers Retirement Board as described above.

Unanimously voted:

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Discussion

The Board was brought up to date on the status of the 2004 – 2006 audit and some issues that were addressed with both the Board Chair and the retirement administrator were the Board's current legal cost, actuarial costs and the annual affidavits notary requirements.

The Board discussed the fees charged for travel, multi-board mailings, and actual accrued hourly legal fees by its attorney and his office staff. They realized that it was not completely aware of the actual costs for services and determined that it would be prudent to request an explanation of all fees from its attorney. The Board was in agreement that it has been completely satisfied with the services of its counsel and that in comparison his fees have been below the costs that would have been incurred to the Board in the long hall.

The Board also discussed its actuary cost and determined that it has been using Stone Consulting for the past several years, therefore will request RFP's for its next study.

The Board further discussed the issue of possible conflict of issue in having the retirement administrator notarizing the annual affidavits for the retirees. The Board decided that having the retirement administrator available to the retirees was a convenience to the retirees considering it was a Board's decision to have the affidavit require a notary signature and that as long as the retirement administrator was only notarizing these documents; with proper identification from retirees that they feel its authorizes the administrator to perform this duty.

Jennifer Miller updated the Board on the PERAC Proposed Regulation on Retirement Board Hearings & Post-Tax Rollovers.

Jennifer Miller also attended the South East Retirement Administrators (SERA) meeting on March 18, 2008. The Massachusetts Retirement Board Administrators are requesting that all the Board's stand behind them and write a letter to the MACRS Board of their support in appointing a retirement administrator on the MACRS Executive Board in order to have input on future educational seminars topics for discussion. The Administrator's feel that it's important for them to have input on topics for discussion based on the fact that at these conferences they have the opportunity to meet with administrator from across Massachusetts rather than just those in a local area in order to keep conformity in office procedures.

Motion made by Gerald Ball seconded by Rocky Tenaglia to write a letter of support from the Hull Retirement Board on the appointing of a retirement administrator to the MACRS Executive Board.

Unanimously voted:

Agenda documents for monthly Board meetings submitted to board members on Thursday prior to meeting on CD for viewing by Board prior to meeting.

After a discussion on this issue, the Board agreed that documents for disability applications will placed on compact disks for the Boards review and printing of any pages they may have questions on, as well as to submitted to the compact disks to medical panels. At this time, the Board will remain receiving their regular monthly agenda in paper format until further notice.

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- Increase in amount of liquidation of investment from \$175,000.00 to cover cost of increasing monthly payroll and bill warrants.

The Board discussed the fact that the monthly pension cost was up to \$256,000.00 that the \$175,000.00 monthly liquidation along with monthly employees deductions of approximately \$60,000.00 was inadequate to cover the pension cost on a regular basis. The Board also considered income from section 3(8)(c) reimbursements, COLA reimbursement and the Town appropriation as well as what expenditures it pays out and decided that the incoming money would not adequately cover monthly pension expenses on a regular basis.

Motion made by Gerald Ball seconded by Rocky Tenaglia to increase the maximum monthly liquidation from \$175,000.00 to \$275,000.00 effective April 1, 2008.

Unanimously voted:

Travel

MACRS Spring Conference Registration Forms – May 31, 2008 – June 4, 2008

Travel Approval

MPPF Massachusetts Public Pension Forum April 10, 2008 College of the Holy Cross, Worcester.

No Board members or staff will attend.

Agenda Request

Beth Masterman – Coughlin Stoia – Portfolio Monitoring Services – request meeting with Board at its April 29, 2009 meeting.

The Board considered Ms. Masterman's request and will respectfully decline at this time.

Review

Kenneth Reed v. Hull Retirement Board – Post Hearing Memorandum of Law dated 02/28/2008.

Kenneth Reed v. Hull Retirement Board – 03/06/2008

Year-to-date trial balance and cash accounts reconciliation through January 2008 not available at this time. - February PRIM Board Update. PRIM Target Rate of Return for 2008 will be 8.39%
 The Board was advised that as of February 28, 2008 that PRIT Fund was down 3.71%. Further discussed was the impact that Bears Stearns had on the PRIT Fund. PRIM had approximately \$110,000.00 in stock with Bears Stearns for a loss of \$19 million (about 3 basis points of the fund), which was the only "realized" loss.

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Update

Attorney Fees – Neither Chapter 32 nor the legal system in general permit for the recouping of attorney fees in the event that a person does not show up or appear.

Motor Vehicle Case to be held April 8, 2008.

Received notice from Michael Sacco that CRAB in the matter of Brooker v. Hull Retirement Board upheld the Board's decision.

- Old business
- New Business

Informational Mail

- PTG PensionPro Annual Fees
- Notice of Retirement Party Chris Connolly.

Meeting adjourned: 9:45 a.m.

Marcia Bohinc, Chairman

Leonard Colten

Maurice Murphy

Gerald Ball

Rocky Tenaglia