

## HULL CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING

June 25, 2009

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 Maurice Murphy, Chairperson, Members Leonard Colten, Marcia Bohinc, Gerald Ball, and Rocky Tenaglia and Retirement Administrator Jennifer Miller.

### To Be Voted:

#### Read and attest to the minutes from the May 26, 2009 regular Board Meeting

Motion made by Marcia Bohinc seconded by Rocky Tenaglia to attest to the minutes of the meeting held on May 26, 2009.

#### **Unanimously voted:**

#### **Payments:**

- Sign all bill warrants for June 2009
- Sign the contributory payroll for June 2009

The Board signed all of the bill warrants as well as the contributory payroll for the month of June 2009.

#### **Service Credit**

Maria Hortaridis – School Department – Request permission to purchase service credit for the period of November 1, 1993 through June 17, 1994 in which she had taken a refund from the Hingham Retirement System. Cost to purchase eight (8) months of service credit \$2,132.58. Hingham Retirement System accepts liability.

Motion made by Marcia Bohinc seconded by Rocky Tenaglia upon payment of \$2,132.58 effective through June 30, 2009 to grant Maria Hortaridis with eight (8) months of creditable service for the period of November 1, 1993 though June 17, 1994. Liability accepted by the Hingham Retirement System.

#### **Unanimously voted:**

Susan Regan – School Department – Request permission to purchase service credit for the period of January 1997 through June 1999 in which she worked for the Weymouth School Department and was not a member of the Weymouth Retirement System. Cost to purchase thirteen (13) months of service credit \$1,751.43. Weymouth Retirement System will not accept liability.

Motion made by Rocky Tenaglia seconded by Marcia Bohinc upon payment of \$1,751.43 effective through June 30, 2009 to grant Susan Regan thirteen (13) months of creditable service for the period of January 1997 through June 1999.

#### **Unanimously voted:**

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Joseph Stigliani – DPW – Request permission to purchase service credit for the period of February 3, 1979 through September 29, 1979 in which her worked for the Town of Acton and was not a member of the Middlesex County Retirement System. Cost to purchase seven (7) months and twenty-six (26) days of service credit \$1,112.21. Middlesex County Retirement System accepts liability.

Motion made by Rocky Tenaglia seconded by Marcia Bohinc upon payment of \$1,112.21 effective through June 30, 2009 to grant Joseph Stigliani seven (7) months of creditable service for the period of February 3, 1979 through September 29, 1979. Liability accepted by the Middlesex County Retirement System.

**Unanimously voted:**

9:15 a.m. – David Leary – Health Insurance Request – 9:08 a.m. The Board reviewed a copy of a Town vote taken in 1983. This vote is as follows: Employees may switch from the family plan to a single plan with the assurance that they will be permitted to switch back to the family plan, provided that the retired employee had a family plan at the time of his/her retirement. Retired employees who had a single membership at the time of their retirement are not permitted to switch to a family plan.

Mr. Leary feels that this is an unjust vote and requested that Board write a letter to the Board of Selectmen showing its support for a change to be made. This change would allow all retired employees to be able to switch from individual to family and vice versa regardless of what coverage they had when they retired.

Currently, Plymouth County has no regulations on this situation, however each city and town has the right to enact their own regulations based on Chapter 32B.

The Board discussed the matter and found that although they have no jurisdiction on health insurance rules, some members did feel that it is unjust.

Motion Made by Leonard Colten seconded by Maurice Murphy the Board will send a letter to the Board of Selectmen requesting that the Board review this policy and consider changing it to allow those retired employees to switch coverage when the retiree meets the criteria to change.

Motion Amended by Marcia Bohinc seconded by Leonard Colten the Board will send a letter requesting the Board of Selectmen to provide the Retirement Board with clarification on all retiree insurance policies and review each policy for accuracy and equality for all employees and retirees, including rate structure and availability.

**Unanimously voted:**

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### Review

9:30 a.m. – Francis Lyons - Medical Panel Certificate. After a review of the completed application, the physician statement with attached narrative, the department head statement, medical records provided, and the medical panel certificate with all of the required questions answered in the affirmative, the Board so moved:

Motion made by Leonard Colten seconded by Gerald Ball to grant Francis Lyons Accidental Disability Retirement under M.G.L. Chapter 32, § 94B, pending final PERAC approval.

**Unanimously voted:**

### Review/Discussion

Received Notice from PERAC that Howard Moog has completed a disability evaluations and is unable to perform the essential duties of his job. The Board is not required to take any action at this time.

### Michael Sacco – Client Update – Pension Reform – June 11, 2009 & June 16, 2009

The Board was advised that any person who has questions or concerns should contact Jennifer Miller for clarification due to the individuality of each person's situation. Michael Sacco will be contacted when needed to determine the individual effect, when needed, under the new law.

### PERAC Memo #24/2009 Chapter 21 of the Acts of 2009, Pension Reform

### Ralph White, Shawn Duhamel – June 16, 2009 – Special Commission to Study the MA Contributory Retirement System Pension Reform – June 19, 2009 – Pension Reform.

### Year to date trial balance and cash account reconciliation for the months of May.

The Board reviewed the trial balance and cash accounts with minimal discussion.

- Old business
- New Business

Gerald Ball requested that the Board consider amending its current supplemental regulations for non-member service, which states, “When purchasing non-member service, if payroll records cannot be obtained, then the applicant shall supply a W-2.” And adding after W-2 “or other documents that the Board finds acceptable as proof of employment.”

Motion made by Gerald Ball seconded by Marcia Bohinc to amend the current supplemental regulation by adding the words “or other documents that the Board finds acceptable as proof of employment” after W-2 for non-member service.

**Unanimously voted:**

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**Informational Mail**

- PERAC Memo #23/2009 – Update Federal Withholding Tables
- PERAC 2008 Investment Report
- Retired State, County and Municipal Employees Association of MA Newsletter
- NCPERS New Clips May, 2009 – June 16, 2009

**Meeting adjourned: 9:45 a.m.**

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Maurice Murphy, Chairman

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Leonard Colten

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Marcia Bohinc

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Gerald Ball

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Rocky Tenaglia