Lawrence Retirement Board Minutes

September 29, 2017

The Lawrence Retirement Board held its regular monthly meeting on Friday, September 29, 2017. Chairman Bateman was present with Attorney Sacco and members Loughlin, Ceballos, Cuddy and Rizzo. The meeting was called to order at 8:19 AM.

An application for Superannuation has been received from **William Stone**, a 64 year old School custodian with 18 years and 8 months of creditable service. If approved, Mr. Stone will receive an annual option A allowance in the amount of \$20,075.40. Gina Rizzo made a motion to approve the superannuation of William Stone. Tom Cuddy seconded the motion. All were in favor. 5-0

An application for superannuation has been received from **Higinio A. Chong**, a 73 year old school para with 28 years and 11 months service. If approve, Mr. Chong will receive an annual option B allowance in the amount of \$ 16,042.44. Gina Rizzo made a motion to approve the superannuation of Higinio Chong. Tom Cuddy seconded the motion. All were in favor, 5-0

An application for superannuation has been received from **Paula Nunez**, a 65 year old school café worker with 10 years and 8 months of creditable service. If approved, Mrs. Nunez will receive an annual option B allowance in the amount of \$4,702.44. Gina Rizzo made a motion to approve the superannuation of Paula Nunez. Tom Cuddy seconded the motion. All were in favor. 5-0

Tom Cuddy made a motion to enter into executive session at 8:23 AM to discuss the disability applications of Axford, Armano and Matos. Gina Rizzo seconded the motion. Vote taken: Batemen; yes, Loughlin; yes, Ceballos; yes, Cuddy; yes, Rizzo; yes 5-0

The Board is in receipt of the completed medical panel in the accidental disability case of **Kathleen Axford**. Axford and Atty. Akashian were in attendance.

An application for accidental disability has been received from **Diane Armano**, a payroll clerk in the city hall. Armano was invited for an evidentiary hearing.

An application for accidental disability retirement has been received from **Enrique Matos**, a school safety officer. Matos and his attorney were invited for an evidentiary hearing.

Gina Rizzo made a motion to come out of executive session at 10:06 AM, seconded by Tom Cuddy. Vote taken: Bateman; yes, Loughlin; yes, Ceballos; yes, Cuddy; yes, Rizzo; yes 5-0

New Business: McKenna 12/31/16 Audit Draft-Tom Cuddy made a motion to approve the 12/31/2016 audit draft, as submitted. Request bound copies for distribution to units. Gina Rizzo seconded the motion. All were in favor. 5-0 The Board discussed possibly going out for an RFP to hire an auditor. Sacco has RFP template.

PTG scan disaster/recovery module- Pension Technology Group submitted several estimates for their new scanning project which would allow the system to scan and upload members documents into members PTG file. Morgan Records Management would undertake the project by taking out groups of files, scanning them in total and returning them to us. After a discussion with the Board, it was decided to approve the \$30,000 estimate, which includes scanning all members, retirees, inactives, deceased, transfers and withdrawals. The maintenance fee on the PTG side would be \$4,000 per year. Gina Rizzo made a motion to approve the project summary and agreement. Tom Cuddy seconded the motion. All were in favor. 5-0

New Members: see separate page

Gina Rizzo made a motion to approve the new members as submitted. Kevin Loughlin seconded the motion. All were in favor. 5-0

Refunds:

| Wilmarie Rosario | School | Paraprofessional | \$ 423.78 |
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| Maria Reyes | GLRTHS | Café Worker | \$ 10,995.72 |
| Melania Árias | School | Café Worker | \$ 5,192.49 |
| Ruth Reyes | School | Paraprofessional | \$ 26,231.19 |
| Pedro Cruz | School | Crisis Aide | \$ 1,921.08 |
| Dorothy Maker | City | Parking Attendant | \$ 19,584.00 |

Tom Cuddy made a motion to approve the refunds as submitted. Gina Rizzo seconded the motion. All were in favor. 5-0

Monthly Expenses:

| Warrant # | 36 | Voucher # 319 - 323 | \$ 1,447.58 |
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| Warrant # | 37 | Voucher # 324 - 328 | \$ 1,803.17 |
| Warrant # | 38 | Voucher # 329 - 354 | \$ 73,690.43 |
| Warrant # | 39 | Retiree End Checks | \$ 15.249.53 |

Tom Cuddy made a motion to approve the monthly expenses as submitted. Gina Rizzo seconded the motion. All were in favor. 5-0

Monthly Retirement Payroll Dated September 29th, **2017** \$ **2,093,199.22** Kevin Loughlin made a motion to approve the September pension payroll as submitted. Tom Cuddy seconded the motion. All were in favor. 5-0

Gina Rizzo made a motion to approve the minutes from August 31st, 2017 meeting as submitted. Kevin Loughlin seconded the motion. All were in favor. 5-0

The next scheduled Retirement Board meeting is on Thursday, October 26, 2017 at 11:00 AM

Warrants, vouchers and bank statements from August were signed and reviewed.

Being no further business, Tom Cuddy made a motion to adjourn at 10:20 AM, seconded by Gina Rizzo. All were in favor. 5-0

William Bateman, Chairman

Diane Cockroft, Executive Director

Gina Rizzo

Ramòna Ceballos

Kevin Loughlin

Thomas Cuddy