

A meeting of the Dedham Retirement Board having been duly noticed, was held on Thursday, July 22, 2021 at 11:00 A.M. at the office of the Retirement Board, 202 Bussey Street. Pursuant to the March 12, 2020 Order of the Governor Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, Board members and members of the public have access to the meeting via Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/2685346852>; Meeting ID: 268 534 6852. They could also dial in using their phone. Dial by your location: 1.929.436.2866. The following were present:

Thomas Rorrie	Stephen MacDougall
John (Rosco) Maloney	Shannon MacKenzie
Michael Butler - ABSENT	Barbara Isberg, Administrator
Kevin McCarthy, Asst. Administrator	James Quirk, Attorney

Mr. Rorrie called the meeting to order at 11:00 A.M.

Accounting/Reconciliation:

Chairman Rorrie indicated that the Cash Book binder on the table had been reviewed and all is in order through May, 2021.

Ms. MacKenzie moved, Mr. MacDougall seconded, and it was unanimously

Voted: To approve the Cash Books through May, 2021.

Minutes:

Ms. MacKenzie moved, Mr. Maloney seconded, and it was unanimously

Voted: To approve the minutes from the June 15, 2021 meeting.

Warrants:

The members reviewed and approved the July, 2021 warrants.

Ms. MacKenzie moved, Mr. MacDougall seconded, and it was unanimously

Voted: To ratify the July, 2021 vouchers as prepared.

Creditable Service Membership:

Attorney Quirk sent a letter and invoice to the Assistant Superintendent of Business and Finance for the Dedham Public Schools, Mr. Samuel Rippin, for the Nine-years and Six-months of creditable service for the benefit of Mrs. Patricia Flaherty as requested by the Board at last month's

meeting. For clarification purposes, it is the expectation of the Board, that Mrs. Flaherty will first apply the proceeds from her OBRA account to the balance due and the School Department will then pay any remaining balance owed, if any.

MGL Ch. 32 § 91A Compliance:

Due to the IRS' extension of time to file the 2020 annual income tax returns as a result of COVID, PERAC also extended the due date of members' *Annual Statement of Earned Income* for those retired under a disability. However, that leeway has passed and PERAC has notified the Board of two members who are not in compliance with their filing requirements. In accordance with § 91A, the retiree's rights to a disability retirement allowance will be terminated for the period of non-compliance. However, prior to any termination of benefits, these two individuals will be given notice and an opportunity to be heard by the Board. Ms. Isberg will notify Kevin McManus and Paul DeRosa of their hearings to occur at the September meeting as it is too late to hear them in August as a result of the 30-day notice requirement. Mr. DeRosa has been retired for more than 25 years and, it is possible, that he may not have had any reported earnings for the 10 prior years. Therefore, PERAC may determine he is eligible for a waiver, and exempted from the filing going forward. Mr. McManus has only been retired for eight years and will not meet this exception.

New Business:

Attorney Quirk provided an overview of PERAC Memo #15/2021, Implementation of Paid Family Medical Leave as well as recent changes to the Open Meeting Law initiated by the Governor under the Emergency Powers during the COVID-19 Pandemic since modified by the Legislature – MGL Chapter 30A.

Attorney Quirk then presented a brief outline of House Bill #2808 and the Senate version #1669 relative to providing a COVID-19 retirement credit to essential public-sector workers.

Administrator's Report:

Ms. Isberg distributed several press releases regarding the indictment of the Town's former Veterans Agent & Parking Clerk, William Aitken, who is still a member of this Board and whose account has been placed on hold. Mr. Aitken's funds will remain frozen pending the outcome of the case.

Member Dan Curran's workers' compensation case has been settled permitting the offset to be removed from his monthly allowance. The Board received \$12,000 for this settlement.

Ms. Isberg informed the Board that she had a telephone conversation with Mike Butler last week regarding the educational session for retirement appropriations to be held on Wednesday, September 22 at 3:30 P.M. Mr. Butler indicated that the date and time may not be convenient for all members of the Town's Select Board and/or Finance Committee. Evidently, they are also debating if they will make it an open meeting. As this is not their meeting but an educational session presented by this Board, it is not subject to the Open Meeting Law. Ms. Isberg distributed

a letter from Attorney Quirk stating such, as well as the Attorney General's handbook: *Open Meeting Law Guide and Educational Materials*. The topic was then tabled for a time that Mr. Butler could be present to offer a recap of his conversations with the Town board and committee.

Administrator Isberg then provided a copy of the PERAC 2020 Investment Report dated June, 2021, to everyone.

The following are New Members as of January 1 thru June 30, 2021:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Depart.</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Original Board Date</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>2%</u>
Courtney Abber	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	02/01/2021	9	Y
Alexandra Ahearn	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	04/01/2018	9	Y
Anthony Alessio	TWN - Town Of Dedham	DPW	1	01/25/2021	9	Y
John Arnett	TWN - Town Of Dedham	FINA	1	01/04/2021	9	Y
Bassem Awad	TWN - Town Of Dedham	MIS	1	11/18/1994	8	Y
Angela Bouffard	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	04/08/2021	9	Y
Trazana Brown	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	01/04/2021	9	Y
Raymond Chauvin	TWN - Town Of Dedham	TREA	1	04/05/2021	9	Y
Amy Concannon	TWN - Town Of Dedham	POLI	1	09/26/2011	9	Y
Patrick Correia	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	03/22/2021	9	Y
Nina DeFilippo	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	02/01/2021	9	Y
Preston Hurley	TWN - Town Of Dedham	DPW	1	02/22/2021	9	Y
Donald Long	TWN - Town Of Dedham	BLDG	1	03/01/2021	9	Y
Gregory McCarthy	TWN - Town Of Dedham	POLI	1	05/25/2021	9	Y
Gayle McCracken	TWN - Town Of Dedham	ADMN	1	03/15/2021	9	Y
Alison Ning	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	04/07/2016	9	Y
Eric Parsons	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	02/24/2021	9	Y
Grace Ransford	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	01/04/2021	9	Y
Khayla Reese	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	03/01/2021	9	Y
Derek Sergi	TWN - Town Of Dedham	FINA	1	01/25/2021	9	Y
Amanda Smith	TWN - Town Of Dedham	ADMN	1	02/26/2018	9	Y
Harrison Smith	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	01/04/2021	9	Y
Kylee Sullivan	TWN - Town Of Dedham	HLTH	1	12/19/2016	9	Y
Ewelina Szymczak	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	04/05/2021	9	Y
Chrisovalantou Topouzakis	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	03/15/2021	9	Y
Courtney Walsh	TWN - Town Of Dedham	SCHL	1	04/05/2021	9	Y
Michael Wright	TWN - Town Of Dedham	DPW	1	02/22/2021	9	Y

Mr. Maloney moved, Ms. MacKenzie seconded, and it was unanimously

Voted: To ratify the new members as presented.

The following are New Retiree's as of January 1 thru June 30, 2021:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Transfer to Annuity Reserve</u>
TWN	Chin	John	Retiree/SuperAnn Opt C(M)	02/06/2021	148,263.91
TWN	Clements	John	Retiree/SuperAnn Opt A	09/01/2021	217,624.53
TWN	Condon	Elizabeth	Retiree/SuperAnn Opt B	06/22/2021	26,225.11
TWN	Delaney	Diane	Retiree/SuperAnn Opt C	06/22/2021	37,811.52
TWN	Lepardo	Jane	Retiree/SuperAnn Opt B	05/01/2021	181,832.96
TWN	Rasmussen	Joanne	Retiree/SuperAnn Opt B	02/27/2021	30,063.92

Total Record Count: 6

Grand Totals: 901,344.13

Mr. Maloney moved, Ms. MacKenzie seconded, and it was unanimously

Voted: To ratify the new retirees as presented.

The next board meeting will be held at 11:00 A.M. on August 17, 2021.

Ms. MacKenzie moved, Mr. MacDougall seconded, and it was unanimously

Voted: To adjourn at 12:20 P.M.

Thomas Rorrie, Chairman

Stephen MacDougall

John Maloney

Shannon MacKenzie

ABSENT
Michael Butler