The Worcester Retirement Board met at approximately 9:00 A.M in Open Public Session on Thursday February 8, 2018 in the Levi Lincoln Chamber City Hall Worcester, MA. All Board members were present. Stephen Wentzell acted as Chair for the meeting.

ALL BENEFITS APPROVED BY THE WORCESTER RETIREMENT BOARD ARE SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL BY P.E.R.A.C.

The Board accepted the minutes of the January meetings as presented.

**Approved: Superannuation M.G.L. c. 32 § 5**

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The Board was provided with the decision in the J Brodeur v. WRB DALA CR-16-196 case. It is not known if the case will be appealed at this point.

December C/R & C/D, Trial Balance, Custodial Report
YTD Office Budget January 2018 with accruals to date were provided to the Board. Filed.

The Board approved the Amended Creditable Service regulation giving school year employees a full year of credit for working the 183 days required in the school year. To be sent to PERAC for approval.

The following **PERAC MEMOs** were provided to the Board:

- #03/2018 COLA Notice
- #04/ Tobacco Company List
- #05/ Mandatory Retirement Board Training
- #06/ Buyback and Make-up Repayment Worksheets
- #07/ NCPERS 2018 State and Federal Legislation Webcast
- #08/ Annual Review of Medical Testing Fee
- #09/ Actuarial Data
- #10/ 2018 Interest Rate set at 0.1%
- #11/ Investment Related Issues

In connection with Memo #08 the Board spoke with Attorney Sacco about going on record with PERAC to convey the Board’s dismay on the medical panel testing cap. A letter or memo will be drafted for next meeting for the Board’s review...
Approved collectively:
Warrants:

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At approximately 9:05 the Chair entertained a motion to convene in executive session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a) (1) and 21(a) (3) to conduct disability hearings and discuss litigation strategy regarding pending cases. The Board will not reconvene in open session following the executive session. The motion was moved and on a unanimous roll call vote the Board went into executive session.

Respectfully Submitted,

__________________________________________
Elizabeth A. Early, Executive Secretary and Elected Member

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Stephen F. Wentzell, Appointed Member/Acting Chairman

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John F. Mahan, Elected Member

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Robert V. Stearns, Ex Officio Member

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Thomas Wade, Member, Fifth Member
The following items were handled in Executive session:

**Accidental Disability M.G.L. c. 32 §7 Reports Rec’d**

- DiLiddo, Frank       Fire (DstCh) 34
- Molinari, Elizabeth  School (IA) 17

**Involuntary Accidental Disability M.G.L. c. 32 §7 Evidentiary Hearing**

- Bergevin, Barry      Fire (FF) 23

**Accidental Disability M.G.L. c. 32 §7 Evidentiary Hearing**

- Buckley, Mary        School (IA) 16
- Carney, Michael      DPW&P (Lbr) 09
- Eisnor, David        WHA (Sr.Cust) 23
- Wedgewood, Robert    Health (PubHlthAide) 17

**TABLED ITEMS:**

- Mita – PERAC remand