



# Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## BRISTOL COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM

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### BRISTOL COUNTY RETIREMENT BOARD

LOCATION: 645 COUNTY ST, UNIT 5, TAUNTON, MA 02780

MEETING AGENDA FOR: November 29, 2023

With the passage of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, retirement boards may continue to hold meetings without a physical quorum or the chair physically present, until March 31, 2025. In the event that this becomes necessary, members of the public who wish to listen/watch/participate in the meeting may do so by contacting Roxanne Donovan at [rdonovan@bristolcountyretirement.org](mailto:rdonovan@bristolcountyretirement.org) for dial-in information.

9:00 A.M.

#### INVESTMENT AND FINANCIAL DISCUSSION

1. Approve the investment transactions that were executed by Income Research and Management, Inc. (Fixed Income) and Earnest Partners, LSV, Lyrical Partners and Clearbridge (Equities) for the month ending October 2023.
2. Approve all other investment transactions executed in-house thus far for November 2023.
3. Review the Investment Summary Statement for month ending October 2023 as reported to the BCRB by our custodial bank (Wilmington Trust); and a year-to-date performance.
4. Review Segal Marco Advisors Investment Fee Review.
5. Segal Marco Advisors financial updates.

9:45 A.M.

STONE HARBOR  
Presenter: Mark Weiller

#### EVIDENTIARY HEARINGS

10:00

DEAN ISABELLA  
FORMER TOWN OF SEEKONK POLICE CHIEF  
ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY APPLICATION  
ATTORNEY: LEIGH PANETTIERE

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Employment Matters

**NEW BUSINESS-LEGAL**

**PAUL R. COTE**  
Town of Acushnet-Retired Fire Chief Accidental Disability  
Date of Death: October 12, 2023

Review Application for Member Survivor Benefits Under G.L. c. 32, §12A pending approval of Accidental Death benefits under the provisions of G.L. c. 32, §9 or § 100 submitted by Rochelle C. Cote.

Review an Application for death benefits under M.G.L Chapter 32, Section 9, received from Rochelle C. Cote (widow of Paul R. Cote, Town of Acushnet – Fire Chief).

**OLD BUSINESS-LEGAL**

1.

**MICHAEL MATTON**  
**TOWN OF ACUSHNET-POLICE**  
**INVOLUNTARY ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY APPLICATION**

Review PERAC's approval dated October 31, 2023 of the Involuntary Accidental Disability Retirement Application-Heart Presumption submitted for Michael Matton, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 32, Section 7(16)(94).

2.

**KELLEY COOPER**  
**TOWN OF WESTPORT-SCHOOL**  
**ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY APPLICATION**  
**ATTORNEY: ROBERT NOVICK**

Review the Regional Medical Panel certificates in which all three physicians have answered yes to all three questions relative to Ms. Cooper's accidental disability.

3.

**LYNN GALLANT**  
**TOWN OF SWANSEA-BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY APPLICATION**  
**ATTORNEY: MORGAN GRAY, ESQ.**

Review the Regional Medical Panel certificates in which two of the three physicians have answered yes to all three questions relative to Ms. Gallant's accidental disability.

4.

**WAYNE JACKMAN**  
**TOWN OF MANSFIELD-FIREFIGHTER/PARAMEDIC**  
**ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY APPLICATION**

Review the Regional Medical Panel certificates in which two of the three physicians have answered yes to all three questions relative to Mr. Jackman's accidental disability.

5.

**JAMES TROMBETTA  
TOWN OF REHOBOTH-POLICE CHIEF  
ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY APPLICATION  
ATTORNEY: JOSEPH FERREIRA, ESQ.**

Review the Regional Medical Panel certificates in which all three physicians have answered yes to all three questions relative to Mr. Trombetta's accidental disability.

6.

**CHRISTOPHER GALLAGHER  
VS. BCRS AND PERAC  
CR-22-0599**

Review responses submitted to DALA by Attorney Quirk and PERAC.

7.

**PAUL MEDEIROS V BCRB  
CR-19-0287**

Review Attorney Sacco memorandum on this matter.

8.

**JAMES T. JANUSE  
RETIRED FIRE CHIEF-RAYNHAM  
ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY-PRESUMPTION**

Review application to determine if a records review should be conducted in lieu of a medical panel.

**NEW BUSINESS – REGULAR**

1. Approve the first payment to newly retired members of the Bristol County Retirement System for the month of November 2023.
2. Approve the make-up payments for the purchase of previous creditable service regarding the following members of the retirement system for the month of November 2023.
3. Approve the Bristol County Retirement System fund budget sheet for period ending November 2023.
4. Approve the Trial Balance (with the respective General Ledger, Cash Receipts, Cash Disbursement and Adjustments Reports) of the Bristol County Retirement System for the month ending September 2023.
5. Review a memorandum (#23-2023) from John W Parsons, Esq, Executive Director of PERAC, dated November 1 and 2, 2023, to the BCRB regarding Paid Family and Medical Leave & Supplemental Payments.
6. Review a memorandum (#24-2023 and #24a-2023) from John W Parsons, Esq, Executive Director of PERAC, dated November 1, 2023, to the BCRB regarding Outsourced Chief Investment Officer Policy.

7. Review a memorandum (#25-2023) from John W Parsons, Esq, Executive Director of PERAC, dated November 1, 2023, to the BCRB regarding Cybersecurity Training.
8. Review a memorandum (#26-2023) from John W Parsons, Esq, Executive Director of PERAC, dated November 17, 2023, to the BCRB regarding 2023 Pension Fraud Prevention Campaign.
9. Review proposed Calendar Year 2024 Administrative Budget.
10. Review Legal RFP responses.
11. Approve the Board Meeting Minutes for the following month:  
October 25, 2023 Regular Meeting
12. New Business (May be reserved for topics that the chair did not reasonably anticipate would be discussed.)