

CITY OF MARIETTA/BLW PENSION BOARD MEETING

**Wednesday, May 8, 2019
9:00 AM – Fourth Floor City Hall Conference Room**

MEETING MINUTES (UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED)

Members Present: Rich Buss Cheryl Richardson
Keisha Register Joseph Goldstein
Bill Bruton Bruce Bishop
Bobby Moss Steve Kish

Absent: Patina Brown

Ex Officio Members: Davy Godfrey – Pension Board Secretary and Director, Human Resources & Risk Management
Sam Lady – Pension Board Treasurer and Finance Director
Tim Milligan – Fire Chief

Visitors / Guests Scott Arnwine – Gavion
Tony Kay – AndCo Consulting
Ed Koebel and Jennifer Johnson – Cavanaugh Macdonald
Read Gignilliat and Patrick Lail – Elarbee Thompson
Elizabeth Jacobs – Benefits Manager

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Bobby Moss declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

Chairman Moss suggested that the Board go into Executive Session to deal with legal matters as listed on item number 2 of the agenda.

A motion was made by Member Kish to go into Executive Session for legal matters pertaining to items in front of the Board, specifically Jenkins, Landers, and Bowens and Bailey and seconded by Member Bishop.

The motion carried by the following vote: 8-0-0

A motion was made by Member Buss to come out of Executive Session and seconded by Member Goldstein.

The motion carried by the following vote: 8-0-0

BUSINESS:

LEGAL MATTERS:

Chairman Moss recognized Secretary Godfrey, who with permission then recognized attorney Patrick Lail to discuss the changes required by HB 196 if signed by the governor. Lail provided the Board a recommended ordinance that detailed the new training requirements for members. Discussion was held regarding the requirements and what happens if someone fails to complete the training.

Item tabled until August meeting, at which time the law should have gone into effect.

Lail then discussed protected health information, HIPAA, and how it impacts the Board, especially as it relates to disability retirement applications. Lail directed the Board to a handout that indicated that the Board isn't a covered entity for HIPAA, but said it was important that the Board noted how to handle health information. The health plan is a covered entity, so the Board cannot ask the health plan for information that supports the application. All information must come from the applicant or from any independent medical examination. Lail also mentioned that these applications are not subject to the Open Records Act. The Board discussed with the attorneys when it is appropriate to go into executive session, Gignilliat responded to those questions, and also detailed to the Board how to separate between the sensitive medical information and deliberations.

Lail opened the discussion regarding how the plan defines "work" and the measurement of "...as fitted by education, training, etc..." The Board held discussion on how that is defined. Lail also mentioned that the definition of self-inflicted could be clarified, but the Board's consensus is that self-inflicted does not cover illnesses. Lail then discussed application amendments that could be made to simplify the form and provide better information to the Board. After discussion, a motion was made.

A motion was made by Member Richardson to approve the changes to the application including two areas with strikethroughs and seconded by Member Buss.

The motion carried by the following vote: 8-0-0

Lail and Gignilliat said that, for the remaining items regarding timelines, application procedures, reapplication procedures, and hearing procedures, they would bring back some recommendations to a future meeting. The Board's consensus approved.

MINUTES:

February 14, 2019, Regular Meeting and Executive Session April 3, 2019, Regular Meeting and Executive Session

A motion was made by Member Goldstein to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2019, Executive Session and the April 3, 2019, Regular Meeting and Executive Session and seconded by Member Richardson.

The motion carried by the following vote: 6-0-2 (Member Bruton and Member Buss abstained).

The February 14, 2019, Regular Meeting minutes require a correction and will be reviewed at the next regular meeting.

Chairman Moss recognized Ed Koebel, who presented the results of the experience study.

A motion was made by Member Richardson to accept the recommendations stated in the experience study with a 25-year layering and seconded by Member Buss.

The motion carried by the following vote: 8-0-0.

GENERAL PENSION REPORT – Gavion, LLC:

Chairman Moss recognized Scott Arnwine from Gavion, who presented the General Pension Report for the 1st quarter of calendar year 2019.

SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION REPORT – AndCo Consulting:

Chairman Moss recognized Tony Kay from AndCo Consulting, who presented the Supplemental Pension Report for the 1st quarter of calendar year 2019. Kay discussed the participant survey results.

SECURITIES MONITORING:

Secretary Godfrey directed the members' attention to the quarterly report in the packet and advised them that he was still working with SunTrust on providing updates regarding claims filing.

RETIREMENT APPLICATIONS – Secretary Godfrey:

1. Debra Dixon - Effective 10/01/2018
Consolidated – Normal Terminated Vested
Single Life Option
Employed: 09/24/1990 – 01/29/2000
Total Credited Service: 9 Years 3 months
Monthly Benefit: \$457.33
Police Officer

2. Glenese Riddick – Effective 01/01/2019
4022 – Surviving Spouse
Monthly Benefit: \$5627.68
Survivor of Frank Riddick
Benefit Duration: 24 Months ending 12/31/2020

3. Donna Wallace – Effective 02/01/2019
4022 – Surviving Spouse
Monthly Benefit: \$408.09
Survivor of Wayne Wallace
Benefit Duration: 24 Months ending 01/31/2021

4. Carolyn Stewart – Effective 02/01/2019
Consolidated – Early
Joint & Survivor 50% with Pop Up
Employed: 12/08/2008 – 01/31/2019
Total Credited Service: 10 Years 1 Month
Monthly Benefit: \$906.96
Senior Revenue Officer

5. Jeffrey Gazaway – Effective 02/01/2019
Consolidated – Unreduced Early
Single Life Option
Employed: 07/14/1988 – 01/31/2019
Total Credited Service: 30 Years 6 Months
Monthly Benefit: \$5786.76
Fire Assistant Chief

6. Howard Waddell – Effective 02/01/2019
Consolidated – Terminated Vested Early
Single Life Option
Employed: 03/09/1987 – 03/22/1996
Total Credited Service: 8 Years 11 Months
Monthly Benefit: \$312.59
Police Officer

7. Dezrine T Walters – Effective 03/01/2019
Consolidated – Terminated Vested Early
Single Life Option
Employed: 09/07/2004 – 01/02/2015
Total Credited Service: 10 Years 3 Months
Monthly Benefit: \$611.88
Customer Serv Data Specialist
8. Daphne Bradwell – Effective 03/01/2019
Consolidated – Delayed
Single Life Option
Employed: 10/13/2008 – 02/28/2019
Total Credited Service: 10 Years 4 Months
Monthly Benefit: \$1612.20
Community Development Manager
9. Joel Propes – Effective 03/01/2019
Consolidated – Terminated Vested Early
Single Life Option
Employed: 01/30/1990 – 02/27/2003
Total Credited Service: 13 Years
Monthly Benefit: \$600.01
Fleet Maintenance Coordinator
10. David Conger – Effective 03/01/2019
Consolidated – Terminated Vested Early
Single Life Option
Employed: 08/22/1985 – 02/23/2005
Total Credited Service: 19 Years 5 Months
Monthly Benefit: \$1261.00
Foreperson Electrical Line
11. Willie McMutry – Effective 04/01/2019
Consolidated – Terminated Vested Early
Single Life Option
Employed: 07/07/1999 – 05/05/2005
Total Credited Service: 5 Years 9 Months
Monthly Benefit: \$213.16
CSW II Streets
12. Donna Wigginton – Effective 04/01/2019
Consolidated – Unreduced Early
Single Life Option
Employed: 02/28/1994 – 03/31/2019
Total Credited Service: 25 Years 1 Month
Monthly Benefit: \$2050.66
Final Billing Representative
13. Paula Goss – Effective 04/01/2019
Consolidated – Unreduced Early
Single Life Option
Employed: 05/21/1990 – 03/31/2019
Total Credited Service: 28 Years 10 Months
Monthly Benefit: \$3099.78
Police Officer

A motion was made by Member Bruton to approve the retirement applications and seconded by Member Goldstein.

The motion carried by the following vote: **8-0-0**.

No old or new business noted, but the chair recognized Secretary Godfrey for an announcement regarding the GAPPT annual conference September 16-19, 2019, in September at Lake Lanier. He asked members to make hotel reservations on an individual basis and that he would register everyone online. He also congratulated Member Goldstein for achieving certification as a Certified Public Pension Trustee.

Chairman Moss gave a closing statement that he would like the Board to review non-work-related disability retirement requirements.

FUTURE ESTABLISHED MEETINGS:

June 28, 2019, 9:00am: Special Meeting for Jenkins hearing
August 14, 2019, 9:00am: Regular Meeting

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Member Goldstein to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Member Richardson.

The motion carried by the following vote: **8-0-0**. Meeting was adjourned at 12:02pm.

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APPROVED THIS 14th DAY OF AUGUST, 2019



Bobby Moss, Pension Board Chairman

ATTEST: 

Davy Godfrey, Pension Board Secretary