

# **HAMPSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of Election Board Meeting – November 16, 2017**

The Hampshire County Retirement Advisory Council held its Election Board meeting on November 16, 2017 at the Hatfield Town Hall, Hatfield MA. Chairman Lisa Banner called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

The following Council members were present: Chairman Lisa Banner (Town of Belchertown), Vice Chair Karen Karowski (Foothills Health District), Jill Berry (Amherst/Pelham Regional School District), Jane Wolfe (Belchertown Water District), Deborah Kuhn (Gateway Regional School District), Monica Walton (South Hadley Fire District #1), Barbara Miller (South Hadley Fire District #2), Claire McGinnis (Town of Amherst), Sharon Strzegarski (Town of Hatfield), Donna Whiteley (Town of Southampton) and Maura O'Connor (Town of Ware). Count: 11 voting members representing 11 of 37 units. Other individuals present were Advisory Council Secretary Mary Baronas, Retirement Board Chairman Patrick Brock, Retirement Board staff Patricia Rutkowski.


The first order of business was the election of the Secretary of the Advisory Council for the term of January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2020. Karen Karowski, seconded by Claire McGinnis, nominated Mary Baronas for the position of Advisory Council Secretary. No other nominations were made. Upon Claire McGinnis' motion and Donna Whiteley's second, the Council members closed nominations and unanimously elected Mary Baronas as Advisory Council Secretary for the term of January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2020.

The next order of business was the election of an Advisory Council member to serve as their appointment to the Hampshire County Retirement Board. Barbara Miller with Donna Whiteley's second, nominated Claire McGinnis. No other nominations were made. Nominations were closed upon Karen Karowski's motion and Donna Whiteley's second. Claire McGinnis was unanimously elected as the Advisory Council Representative to the Hampshire County Retirement Board.

The next order of business was to certify the nomination and election of an Elected Member to the Hampshire County Retirement Board. Nomination papers of Edward Montleon were reviewed and accepted as complete with required valid signatures. No other nomination papers were filed. Upon Jane Wolfe's motion and Donna Whiteley's second, Edward Montleon was certified as a single candidate to be elected. As authorized by MGL Chapter 34B §19(4)(h), Chairman Banner declared that Edward Montleon is duly the Elected Member to the Hampshire County Retirement Board for the three-year term of January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2020.

Upon Barbara Miller's motion and Karen Karowski's motion second, the Advisory Council Election Board meeting adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Mary G. Baronas  
Advisory Council Secretary

Certified as accurate record of proceedings:

  
Chairman Lisa Banner