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NOTES

Wednesday, February 9th, 2011

The regular meeting of the Teachers' Retirement Board was called to order at 2:10 p.m. by William Myers acting Chairperson on Wednesday, February 9th, 2011 at 765 Asylum Avenue, Hartford, CT.

There was no quorum, no action was taken.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Eugene Cimiano – Public Member
Jonathan Johnson, Public Member
William Murray, Teacher Member
William Myers, Teacher Member

BOARD MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

Clare Barnett, Teacher Member
Thomas Ciccalone, Appointed Member
Marion Jewell, Teacher Member
Elaine Lowengard, Public Member
Astread Ferron-Poole, representing Commissioner Starkowski, Dept. of Social Services
Brian Mahoney, representing Commissioner McQuillan, State Board of Education
Rosalyn Schoonmaker, Teacher Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Darlene Perez, TRB Administrator
Leanne Appleton, TRB Assistant Administrator
Marie Dempsey, Administrative Assistant
Lou Laccavole, Fiscal Administrative Supervisor

OTHERS PRESENT:

James Stirling, CEO, Stirling Benefits, Inc.
Karen Nolen, OPM
Christina Gellman, OFA
Robyn Kaplan-Cho, CEA
Joe Fields, Corporate Benefit Consultants

Speaker

James Stirling provided an Overview of the TRB Sponsored Health Plan.

A discussion for the formulation of a Legislation and Policy Sub-Committee regarding Permanent Substitute Teaching, and Administration of the Health Insurance Subsidy Program.

Darlene Perez, Administrator, explained the two ways the permanent substitute service credit may be obtained and how the formulation of a Legislation and Policy Sub-Committee is needed to deal with the following issues:

- Definition of ten months of service.
- First work day of the month rule.
- Employer reporting responsibilities.
- Social security versus TRB.
- How and when to determine permanent sub status (beginning or end of assignment.)

Joe Fields explained the situation with the City of Hartford's using subsidy program and how the formulation of a Legislation and Policy Sub-Committee is needed to deal with the following issues:

- Definition
- Advice on statutory language (interpret and consistent)
- What does it do to buying power of TRB
- Stipend vs contribution to TRB plan
- Writing to the Attorney General's office

Darlene Perez told the Board, they would be notified for a change of date for the scheduled meeting in March and if they would like to volunteer for the Legislation and Policy Committee to let her or Marie Dempsey know.

Comments from the observers followed.

Karen Nolen mentioned noted that if a legal opinion is needed one should be requested from the Attorney General's office.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55pm

Respectfully,

Marie Dempsey

February 9, 2011

Date

Darlene Perez, Administrator

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