

Minutes of the meeting held on March 6, 2025

Present: Francis Murphy – Chair, Nadia Chamblin-Foster, Joseph McCann, James Monagle, Chris Burns, James Quirk, and Christopher McLaughlin.

Arrived Late: Nadia Chamblin-Foster (Not present for agenda items 1 and 2.)

Vacant: The seat for the City Manager's appointee was vacant at the time of the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM. The meeting was digitally recorded. This was a hybrid meeting, held in-person in the Sheila Tobin Conference Room at 125 CambridgePark Drive, with some participants joining via Zoom videoconference.

Agenda Item #1 –Minutes

Motion by Monagle, seconded by Murphy to accept the regular minutes of the meeting held on February 10, 2025. The motion carried on a 2-0 vote with Chamblin-Foster absent and McCann abstaining.

Agenda Item #2 - Warrants

Motion by McCann, seconded by Monagle to accept payment of Warrant #4 in the amount of \$9,856,163.11 and Warrant #5 in the amount of \$104,290.65. The motion carried on a 3-0 vote with Chamblin-Foster absent.

Agenda Item #3 – Superannuations

Motion by McCann, seconded by Monagle to accept the Superannuation retirement applications submitted by Bernard Ahearn, Registered Nurse, Cambridge Health Alliance with eighteen years, five months; Steven Brown, Lieutenant, Fire Dept. with thirty years; Eric Helberg, Patrol Officer, Police Dept. with twenty-five years, nine months; Frances Kleiger, Clinical Leader, Cambridge Health Alliance with nineteen years, six months; John Mulligan, Captain, Fire Dept. with twenty-five years, two months; and Meredith Woods, Library Clerk with twelve years, eight months. The Chair noted that John Mulligan was the son of John Mulligan, Sr, a Boston Police Detective who was ambushed and killed in the line of duty. He noted that Steven Brown was instrumental in starting the SCUBA rescue team. Voted unanimously.

Agenda Item #4 - Make-ups/Redeposits/Liability

The Board reviewed make-up and redeposit worksheets for seven members.

Motion by Chamblin-Foster, seconded by McCann to allow the make-up of deductions for Anthony J. Cyrus, two months; Jean Hubert Desane, four months; and Sarah T. Emmett, six months. Voted unanimously.

Motion by Chamblin-Foster, seconded by McCann to allow the redeposit of refunds for Everton A. Coxon, four months; Sherry A. Emond, three years, eight months; Byron S. Lowe, seven months; Jivan G. Sobrinho-Wheeler, one year, eleven months. Voted unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 – Refund Applications

The Board reviewed a list of refund applications submitted in February.

Motion by McCann, seconded by Monagle to accept twelve refund applications. Voted unanimously.

The Chairman requested to adjourn the open meeting and go into executive session for the purpose of discussing disability retirement applications. The Chairman stated that the meeting would reconvene in open session at the conclusion of the executive session. On a roll call, the vote was as follows:

James Monagle:	YES
Nadia Chamblin-Foster	YES
Joseph McCann:	YES
Francis Murphy:	YES

Agenda Item #6 – Accidental Disability Application – Marie Arena

The Board reviewed the member's application, treating physician's statement and employer's statement filed in connection with Marie Arena's application for Accidental Disability benefits. Attorney Griffin Hanrahan appeared with Marie Arena.

Motion by Chamblin-Foster, seconded by Monagle to accept the application for Accidental Disability benefits filed by Marie Arena, Laborer in the Dept. of Public Works, and to request that PERAC convene a medical panel. Voted unanimously.

Burns stated that he had sent a request to Attorney Sullivan at Keches Law Group for Ms. Arena to complete a new medical release form and received no response. Hanrahan apologized for the delay and stated that he would return the signed release within two days. Burns stated that Attorney Sullivan is currently representing two other Cambridge employees and that there has been no movement on their applications for months because Sullivan has not submitted complete applications. Hanrahan stated that he was not familiar with those cases but that he would attempt to provide information on their status as soon as possible.

Agenda Item #7 – Accidental Disability Application – Paul W. Gallagher

The Board reviewed the member's application, treating physician's statement and employer's statement filed in connection with Paul W. Gallagher's application for Accidental Disability benefits.

Motion by McCann, seconded by Monagle to accept the application for Accidental Disability benefits filed by Paul W. Gallagher, a Firefighter, and to request that PERAC convene a medical panel. Voted unanimously.

Agenda Item #8 – PERAC Memos

PERAC did not issue any memos in February and no action was taken.

Agenda Item #9 – Old Business

Not needed.

Agenda Item #10 – New Business

Not needed.

Agenda Item #11 – Executive Session

Agenda Item # 6 – approved

Agenda Item #7 – approved

Agenda Item #12 - Chairman's Report

The Chair reported that he had spoken to several retirees who have received retroactive payments from Social Security, following the GPO/WEP repeal. Burns stated that notice about the repeal had been posted on the system's website, along with a recommendation that members who believe they may be entitled to a spousal benefit should apply, even if they have been denied in the past.

Agenda Item #13 – Executive Director's Report

Burns reported that the system issued 3(8)(c) invoices to all systems where Cambridge retirees had prior service.

Burns reported that he met with the 125 CPD building manager to discuss the progress of construction. The manager has targeted an end to the current renovation by the end of the year. New signage will be placed in the lobby before the project is completed.

The following documents were also reviewed by the Board:

- Notice of Retiree Deaths
- Correspondence from PERAC re: Open Meeting Law waivers expiring 3/31
- Correspondence from Attorney Quirk re: Open Meeting Law waivers
- BLB&G Securities Litigation Report – 4Q 2024
- Correspondence from BLB&G re: Support in opposing extreme changes to Delaware corporate law
- Correspondence from Hamilton Lane re: Phishing attempt warning
- Manager/Vendor Disclosures: Aberdeen Emerging Markets Equity Fund, Fidelity Broad Market Duration Pool, Garcia Hamilton, Hancock Timberland X, Hancock Timberland and Farmland Fund, Intercontinental US Real Estate, Loomis Sayles US High Yield Fund, Marathon Emerging Markets Strategy, PineBridge, and Wellington Management.
- 125 CambridgePark Drive lobby renderings
- Correspondence from Mesirow re: The Sale of our Group has Closed
- Mass Retirees Update re: Social Security Request

Monagle moved to adjourn at 11:40 AM.