## HAMPSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL Minutes of Election Board Meeting - November 20, 2020

The Hampshire County Retirement Advisory Council held its Election Board meeting on November 20, 2020 via Zoom due to Governor Charles Baker's State of Emergency related to COVID-19. 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), Deborah Kuhn (Gateway Regional School District), Terie Fleury (South Hadley Fire District #1), Barbara Miller (South Hadley Fire District #2), , Donna Whiteley (Town of South Hadley and South Hadley/Easthampton Veterans District), Jane Wolfe (Belchertown Water District) and Joseph Shea (Hampshire County Group Insurance Trust). Count: 7 voting members representing 8 of 38 units. Other individuals present were Advisory Council Secretary Mary Baronas, Retirement Board Chairman Patrick Brock, Retirement Board staff Patricia Rutkowski, Elizabeth Sugrue, Elected Member of the Hampshire County Retirement Board, Leanne Fanion of the Hampshire Regional School District, Denise Cashin of the Hampshire Regional School District, and Harry Chadwick.

The first order of business was the election of Secretary of the Advisory Council for the term of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2023. Jane Wolfe, seconded by Terie Fleury, nominated Mary Baronas for the position of Secretary. No other nominations were made. Upon Deborah Kuhn's motion and Jane Wolfe's second, the Council members closed nominations and unanimously (Jane Wolfe, yes; Deborah Kuhn, yes; Joseph Shea, yes; Terie Fleury, yes; Barbara Miller, yes; Lisa Banner, yes; Donna Whiteley, yes) elected Mary Baronas as Secretary of the Advisory Council for the term of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2023.

The second order of business was the election of Advisory Council's Representative to the Hampshire County Retirement Board for the term of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2023. Barbara Miller, seconded by Donna Whiteley, nominated Jane Wolfe for the position of the Advisory Council's Representative to the Hampshire County Retirement Board. No other nominations were made. Upon Deborah Kuhn's motion and Terie Fleury's second, the Council members closed nominations and unanimously (Jane Wolfe, yes; Deborah Kuhn, yes; Joseph Shea, yes; Terie Fleury, yes; Barbara Miller, yes; Lisa Banner, yes; Donna Whiteley, yes) elected Jane Wolfe as the Advisory Council's Representative to the Hampshire County Retirement Board for the term of January 1, 2021 to December 31,2023.

The third order of business was the confirmation of eligible nominees and the certification that an election for the members' representative to the Retirement Board for the 3-year term of January 1, 2021 to January 31, 2023. The Election will be conducted entirely by mail. The election date was set for December 23, 2020 such that all ballots must be postmarked on or before December 23, 2020 to constitute a legal ballot and must be received at the Hampshire County Retirement Office no later than 1 p.m. on December 30, 2020 at which time ballots will be opened and tabulated. Ballots will be mailed on December 3, 2020 (at least 20 days before election date). Upon Barbara Miller's motion and Donna Whiteley's second, the Council unanimously (Jane Wolfe, yes; Deborah Kuhn, yes; Joseph Shea, yes; Terie Fleury, yes; Barbara Miller, yes; Lisa Banner, yes; Donna Whiteley, yes) certified the election for the members' representative to the Retirement Board for the term of January 1, 2021 to December 31,2023.

Random draw of names for the order of appearance on the ballot resulted in Harry Chadwick being the first name, Sean Mangano being the second name, and Joseph Shea being the third name. Names were drawn by Susan Lessard.

Upon Terie Fleury's motion and Barbara Miller's second, the Advisory Council Election Board meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary G. Baronas

**Advisory Council Secretary** 

Certified as accurate record of proceedings:

Chairman Lisa Banner