

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION & RELIEF FUND
BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, September 9, 2026
5710 General Haig Street
New Orleans, LA 70124
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ROLL CALL

COMMUNICATIONS

LAPERS conference is scheduled for Sept 13-15, 2026.

REVIEW & ACCEPT MINUTES

Board Meeting for Wednesday, August 12, 2026

REFUND OF CONTRIBUTIONS

None

CHANGE OF BENEFICIARY

Edward Oltmann

DROP WITHDRAWAL

None

The Board of Trustees hereby reserves its right to enter executive session pursuant to R.S. 42:17 (A) (1) for discussion of the character or professional competence of the juridical entities identified in agenda items below and to review medical documentation and reserve privacy rights to members and widows for Service-Connected Disability Pension applications. The Board of Trustees hereby further reserves its right to enter executive session pursuant to R.S. 42:17 (A) (2) for discussion of strategy or negotiations with respect to actual litigation, where an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of NOFF in any judicial matters related to agenda item above; all pertinent notification has been provided.

R. S. 11:3376 DISABILITY APPLICANTS

None

REGULAR RETIREMENT APPLICANTS

Lynell J. Desdunes – New Fund – Firefighter – Age 50 with 22 years of Total Creditable Service.
Application for Regular Retirement effective September 1, 2026.

REVERSE DROP APPLICANTS

None

DROP APPLICANTS

Brett D. Casey – New Fund Firefighter – Age:65 with 30 years of Total Creditable Service. Application for Deferred Retirement Option Plan effective September 1, 2026.

Eric J. Farrae – New Fund Apparatus Operator – Age:56 with 30 years of Total Creditable Service. Application for Deferred Retirement Option Plan effective September 1, 2026.

PLOP APPLICANTS

None

WIDOW'S APPLICANTS

Sandra T. Jackson (husband Norman J.) – Application for New Fund non-Duty Death Benefit effective September 1, 2026.

DEPENDENT CHILD APPLICANTS

None

APPLICATIONS PENDING

None

REPORTS OF DEATH:

Pensioners:

Norman J. Jackson (New Fund): died August 24, 2026 at the age of 78 with widow and no minor children. Date of employment: April 11, 1969. He retired on June 20, 1976 with 7 years of service. He spent 50 years on pension.

Widows

Kathleen H. Thomas (Old Fund): died July 22, 2026 at the age of 87 preceded by her husband Gary E. Thomas. Her benefits began September 1, 2014 with 12 years on benefit.

Cheryl Ann Washington (New Fund): died May 26, 2026 at the age of 62 preceded by her husband Robin Washington. Her benefits began December 1, 2023 with 2 years and 5 months on benefit.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Funding – August 2026	New Fund	Old Fund
Appropriations	\$3,955,000.00	\$ 824,000.00
Employee Contributions	377,353.38	-
Monthly Benefit Totals	2,551,405.54	681,779.31
DROP/PLOP Payments	3,900.00	-

Active Suppression

Total as of July 31, 2026	619
Additions (New Hires/Rehires)	0
Reductions (Resignations/Retirees)	4
Total as of August 31, 2026	615

Retirees Recipients (Payroll)	New Fund	Old Fund
Member Retirees (Regular, Disability, etc.):		
Total as of July 31, 2026	670	115
Additions	1	0
Reductions	-1	-1
Total as of August 31, 2026	670	114

Benefit Recipients (Spouses, Children, Parents, etc.):	New Fund	Old Fund
Total as of July 31, 2026	184	177
Additions	1	0
Reductions	0	-1
Total as of August 31, 2026	185	176

OLD BUSINESS

SEB information from City

NEW BUSINESS

2026 Disability Recertifications: All requested recertifications have been completed and returned.

Cooperative Endeavor Agreement: Update on negotiations with the City of New Orleans and the New Orleans Firefighters Association Local 632 on an amendment to the Cooperative Endeavour Agreement between the parties.

Future Meeting: The Board to discuss moving the next regularly scheduled meeting to **October 7, 2026**, the first Wednesday in October.

Disability Appeal Hearing: John Styron has requested to appeal the Board's decision which denied his disability application. An appeals committee and hearing date should be set up.

LEGAL

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