# Government of Guam Retirement Fund

# MEMBERS' AND BENEFITS COMMITTEE

NOVEMBER, 2006 END OF MONTH REPORT



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December 15, 2006

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Chairman, Board of Trustees

Government of Guam Retirement Fund

FROM:

Chairman, Members' and Benefits Committee

Government of Guam Retirement Fund

SUBJECT: November, 2006 - End of Month Report

Please find attached the Members' and Benefits Committee's November, 2006 End of Month Report. This report accurately highlights the significant activities and action items reviewed and administered to during the November period.

Should you require further information concerning this report, feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

GEORGE A. SANTOS

#### TOTAL MEMBERS SERVED: I. No. of Active Members A. **Defined Benefits** 4,279 1. 2. **Defined Contributions** <u>6,158</u> 10,437 No. of Retirees B. 6,857 Defined Benefits 1. **Defined Contributions** 2. <u>160</u> 7,017 17,454 II. TOTAL STAFFING: Benefit Services Department A. Budget 2006 10 1. Actual 9 Members' Services Division В. 1. Budget 2006 10 Actual 10

#### III. TOTAL CASES PENDING

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F.	New Retirees	(Nos. 947-981)		<u>35</u>
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#### IV. REVIEW AND FINDINGS

Based on our review and findings during our meeting of November 16, 2006, the following applications are recommended for **APPROVAL** to the Board of Trustees:

#### A. SECTION 8119, 8120, 8120.1

1. Optional Retirement Applicant

a. Name: Veronica C. Garrido

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System

Length of Service: 22 Years 03 Months 15 Days

Service Factor: 22.291

Average Annual Salary: \$56,136.17 Annual Annuity: \$24,703.44

Percentage Earned: 44.0062797

Effective Date: October 01, 2006

2. Age Retirement Applicant (§8119 prior to 10/01/81)

a. Name: Edith A. Manalisay

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System

Length of Service: 15 Veers 10 Months 00 Deve

Length of Service: 15 Years 10 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 15.833

Average Annual Salary: \$25,223.78 Annual Annuity: \$8,723.04

Percentage Earned: 34.5826041

Effective Date: October 01, 2006

3. Age Retirement Applicants (§8120 after 10/01/81)

a. Name

Patty J. Acfalle

Date of Birth:

Department:

Guam Community College 25 Years 07 Months 00 Days

Service Factor:

Length of Service:

25.583

Average Annual Salary:

\$32,882.76

Annual Annuity:

\$19,386.96

Percentage Earned:

58.9578247

Effective Date:

October 01, 2006

b. Name:

Lucia F. Maanao

Date of Birth:

Department:

Department of Labor

Length of Service:

24 Years 07 Months 15 Days

Service Factor:

24.625

Average Annual Salary:

\$50,667.45 \$28,658.88

Annual Annuity: Percentage Earned:

56.5627044

Effective Date:

October 01, 2006

4. Age Retirement Applicants (§8120.1 after 08/22/84)

a. Name:

Pedro M. Asuncion

Date of Birth:

Department:

Guam Water Works Authority

Length of Service:

18 Years 10 Months 15 Days

Service Factor:

18.875

Average Annual Salary:

\$45,317.79

Annual Annuity:

\$19,118.40

Percentage Earned:

42.1874058

Effective Date:

October 01, 2006

b. Name: Jesus C. Pablo

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Power Authority

Length of Service: 16 Years 10 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 16.833

Average Annual Salary: \$32,290.16 Annual Annuity: \$11,974.08 Percentage Earned: 37.0827521

Effective Date: October 01, 2006

c. Name: Florita G. Simbre

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System
Length of Service: 17 Years 08 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 17.666

Average Annual Salary: \$28,935.32 Annual Annuity: \$11,332.56 Percentage Earned: 39.1651448

Effective Date: October 01, 2006

5. Service Retirement Applicants (§8119. Prior to 10/01/81)

a. Name: Carlos N. Atoigue

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Water Works Authority

Length of Service: 30 Years 00 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 30.000

Average Annual Salary: \$42,322.91 Annual Annuity: \$29,626.08 Percentage Earned: 70.0001015

Effective Date: October 01, 2006

b. Name:

Linda Rose M. Cruz

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System Length of Service: 25 Years 03 Months 00 Days

Service Factor:

25.250

Average Annual Salary:

\$28,464.03

Annual Annuity:

\$16,544.64

Percentage Earned:

58.1247279

Effective Date:

October 01, 2006

Name: c.

Minerva A. Del Banco

Date of Birth:

Department:

Public Health & Social Services

27 Years 08 Months 00 Days

Service Factor:

Length of Service:

27.666

Average Annual Salary:

\$55,058.40

Annual Annuity:

\$35,328.24

Percentage Earned:

64.1650320

Effective Date:

October 01, 2006

d. Name: Drake V. Ibanez

Date of Birth:

Department:

Dept of Revenue & Taxation

Length of Service:

36 Years 00 Months 00 Days

Service Factor:

36.000

Average Annual Salary:

\$46,947.20

Annual Annuity:

\$39,905.04

Percentage Earned:

84.9998295

Effective Date:

October 01, 2004

e. Name: Maria L. Laurel

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System
Length of Service: 25 Years 09 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 25.750
Average Annual Salary: \$27,116.14
Annual Annuity: \$16,100.16
Percentage Earned: 59.3748225

Effective Date: October 08, 2005

f. Name: Faye F. Lopez

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System Length of Service: 27 Years 05 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 27.416
Average Annual Salary: \$35,750.62
Annual Annuity: \$22,716.00
Percentage Earned: 63.5401567

Effective Date: October 01, 2006

g. Name: Mary B. Mafnas

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System
Length of Service: 27 Years 11 Months 15 Days

Service Factor: 27.958
Average Annual Salary: \$66,110.43
Annual Annuity: \$42,902.40
Percentage Earned: 64.8950551

Effective Date: August 01, 2004

h. Name: Elizabeth P. Martinez

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System Length of Service: 26 Years 01 Month 00 Days

Service Factor: 26.083 Average Annual Salary: \$31,151.37 Annual Annuity: \$18,755.52 Percentage Earned: 60.2076891

Effective Date: October 01, 2006

i. Name:

Cecilia B. Mendiola

October 01, 2006

Date of Birth:

Department:

Public Health & Social Services Length of Service: 25 Years 02 Months 00 Days

Service Factor:

25.166 Average Annual Salary: \$29,543.26 \$17,110.08

Annual Annuity: Percentage Earned: 57.9153417

Effective Date:

j. Name: Arlinda J. Mesa

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Community College Length of Service: 25 Years 02 Months 15 Days

Service Factor: 25.208

Average Annual Salary: \$30,850.85 Annual Annuity: \$17,899.68 Percentage Earned: 58.0200545

Effective Date: October 01, 2006

Name: k. Mae C. Nowell

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System Length of Service: 26 Years 10 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 26.833

Average Annual Salary: \$51,626.70 Annual Annuity: \$32,051.04

Percentage Earned: 62.0822946 Effective Date: August 12, 2006

1. Name: Teresita T. Perez

Date of Birth:

Department: University of Guam

Length of Service: 27 Years 02 Months 15 Days

Service Factor: 27.208 Average Annual Salary: \$58,307.60

Annual Annuity: \$36,745.44 Percentage Earned: 63.0199836

Effective Date: October 01, 2006 m. Name: Linda C. San Nicolas

Date of Birth:

Department: Department of Labor

Length of Service: 31 Years 04 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 31.333

Average Annual Salary: \$48,776.10 Annual Annuity: \$35,768.64

Percentage Earned: 73.3323082 Effective Date: July 01, 2006

6. Service Retirement Applicant (Early Retirement Incentive Program)

a. Name: Marilou B. Yamanaka

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Environmental Protection Agency

Length of Service: 32 Years 10 Months 15 Days

Service Factor: 32.875

Average Annual Salary: \$66,653.29 Annual Annuity: \$51,448.08 Percentage Earned: 77.1876076

Effective Date: January 01, 2000

B. SECTION 8123 - Disability Retirement Applicants

1. Name Beatriz S. Dydasco

Date of Birth

Department Port Authority of Guam
Length of Service 20Years 01 Month 00 Days

Date of Application May 09, 2006

2. Name Margaret N. Venzlauskas-Santiago

Date of Birth

Department Guam Police Department
Length of Service 15 Years 11 Months 15 Days

Date of Application December 21, 2005

# C. SECTION 8130 (Age/Deferred Age) Annuity Applicants WITHOUT Survivor Annuity Benefits

a. Name: Frank B. James

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Housing & Urban Renewal Authority

Length of Service: 12 Years 00 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 12.000

Average Annual Salary: \$23,022.97 Annual Annuity: \$5,755.68 Percentage Earned: 24.9997285

Effective Date: October 01, 2006

b. Name: Lisa Santucci

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System
Length of Service: 08 Years 04 Months 15 Days

Service Factor: 8.375

Average Annual Salary: \$41,282.55 Annual Annuity: \$6,914.88 Percentage Earned: 16.7501280

Effective Date: July 13, 2006

c. Name: Richard T. Saville

Date of Birth:

Department: Department of Corrections
Length of Service: 13 Years 09 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 13.750
Average Annual Salary: \$53,467.44
Annual Annuity: \$15,706.08
Percentage Earned: 29.3750364

Effective Date: August 20, 2006

#### D. SURVIVIOR ANNUITY BENEFIT APPLICANTS

1. Surviving Spouse Annuity (a) (Regular §8119. Prior to 10/10/81)

a. Name: Fred J. Aflleje

Date of Death: September 23, 2006

Annuity due Decease: \$17,410.80

Surviving Spouse: Doris A. Aflleje

Survivor's Annuity: \$8,705.52

Percentage Earned: 50%

Effective Date: September 23, 2006

b. Name: Joaquin A. Bautista

Date of Death: September 24, 2006

Annuity due Decease: \$23,676.24

Surviving Spouse: Frances M. Bautista

Survivor's Annuity: \$11,838.24

Percentage Earned: 50%

Effective Date: September 24, 2006

c. Name: Marden T. Pillette
Date of Death: August 26, 2006

Annuity due Decease: \$16,727.28 Surviving Spouse: Tuffy Q. Pillette

Survivor's Annuity: \$ 8,363.76

Percentage Earned: 50%

Effective Date: August 26, 2006

d. Name: John Y. Salas

Date of Death: September 15, 2006

Annuity due Decease: \$11,000.64

Surviving Spouse: Antonia P. Salas

Survivor's Annuity: \$ 5,500.32

Percentage Earned: 50%

Effective Date: September 15, 2006

e. Name:

Date of Death:

Annuity due Decease:

Surviving Spouse:

Survivor's Annuity:

Percentage Earned:

Effective Date:

Barbara T. Santos

October 12, 2006

\$11,965.44

Johnnie E. Santos

\$ 5,982.72

50%

October 12, 2006

## E. Supplemental Listing of New Retirees and Finalized Retirement Annuities

947 Name

Date of Birth

Department

Effective Date

Marilou B. Yamanaka

**Guam Environmental Protection Agency** 

January 01, 2000

948 Name

Date of Birth

Department

Effective Date

John S. San Agustin

Department of Parks & Recreation

May 14, 2005

949 Name

Date of Birth

Department

Effective Date

Lisa Santucci

Guam Public School System

July 13, 2006

950 Name

Date of Birth

Department

Effective Date

Cecilia D. Datuin

Superior Court of Guam

August 01, 2006

951 Name

Date of Birth

Department

Effective Date

Richard T. Saville

Department of Corrections

August 20, 2006

952 Name

Surviving Spouse of

Department

Effective Date

Tuffy Q. Pillette

Marden T. Pillette

Guam Community College

August 26, 2006

953	Name Surviving Spouse of Department Effective Date	Antonia P. Salas John Y. Salas Guam Water Works Authority September 15, 2006
954	Name Surviving Spouse of Department Effective Date	Doris A. Aflleje Fred J. Aflleje Guam Community College September 23, 2006
955	Name Surviving Spouse of Department Effective Date	Frances M. Bautista Joaquin A. Bautista Department of Public Works September 24, 2006
956	Name Date of Birth Department Effective Date	Patty J. Acfalle  Guam Community College October 01, 2006
957	Name Date of Birth Department Effective Date	Pedro M. Asuncion  Guam Water Works Authority October 01, 2006
958	Name Date of Birth Department Effective Date	Carlos N. Atoigue  Guam Water Works Authority October 01, 2006
959	Name Date of Birth Department Effective Date	Regina R. Basbas  Public Health & Social Services October 01, 2006
960	Name Date of Birth Department Effective Date	John LG Cruz  Guam Community College October 01, 2006

961	Name Date of Birth	Linda Rose M. Cruz	
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School System October 01, 2006	
962	Name Date of Birth	Pito Q. Cruz	
	Department Effective Date	Superior Court of Guam October 01, 2006	
963	Name Date of Birth	Minerva A. Del Banco	
	Department Effective Date	Public Health & Social Services October 01, 2006	
964	Name Date of Birth	Gus F. Diaz	
	Department Effective Date	Department of Law October 01, 2006	
965	Name Date of Birth	Evelyn C. Fejeran	
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School System	
		October 01, 2006	
966	Name Date of Birth	Veronica C. Garrido	
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School System October 01, 2006	
967	Name Date of Birth	Frank B. James	
	Department Effective Date	Guam Housing & Urban Renewal Authority October 01, 2006	
968	Name Date of Birth	David B. Lastimoza	
	Department Effective Date	Guam Water Works Authority October 01, 2006	

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969	Name Date of Birth	Rita S. Leon Guerrero
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School Systems October 01, 2006
970	Name Date of Birth	Faye F. Lopez
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School System October 01, 2006
971	Name Date of Birth	Lucia F. Maanao
	Department Effective Date	Department of Law October 01, 2006
972	Name Date of Birth	Edith A. Manalisay
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School System October 01, 2006
973	Name Date of Birth	Elizabeth F. Martinez
	Department Effective Date	Public Health & Social Services October 01, 2006
974	Name Date of Birth	Cecilia B. Mendiola
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School Systems October 01, 2006
975	Name Date of Birth	Arlinda J. Mesa
	Department Effective Date	Guam Community College October 01, 2006
976	Name Date of Birth	Jesus C. Pablo
	Department Effective Date	Guam Power Authority October 01, 2006

977 Name Ignacio J. Pangelinan

Date of Birth

Department Guam Public School Systems

Effective Date October 01, 2006

978 Name Teresita T. Perez

Date of Birth

Department University of Guam Effective Date October 01, 2006

979 Name Henry C. Schilling, III

Date of Birth

Department Guam Community College

Effective Date October 01, 2006

980 Name Florita G. Simbre

Date of Birth

Department Guam Public School Systems

Effective Date October 01, 2006

981 Name Johnnie E. Santos

Surviving Spouse of Barbara T. Santos

Department Guam Public School System

Effective Date October 12, 2006

#### V. REVIEW AND FINDINGS

Based on our review and findings during our meeting of November 15, 2006 the following application is recommended for DISAPPROVAL to the Board of Trustees:

# A. Section 8123 - Disability Retirement Applicants

1. Name David T. Perez, Jr.

Date of Birth

Department Department of Administration
Length of Service 15 Years 00 Months 00 Days

Date of Application June 08, 2006

2. Name

Ricardo C. Sablan

Date of Birth

Department

Length of Service

Date of Application

Guam Public School Systems 13 Years 10 Months 15 Days

July 05, 2006

B. SECTION 8126 - Disability Retirement Applicant (Appeal)

1. Name

Jesse M. Fernandez

Date of Birth

Department

Length of Service

Date of Application

Guam Power Authority

19 Years 01 Month 00 Days

February 12, 2004

#### VI. REVIEW AND FINDINGS

Based on our review and finding during our meeting of November 15, 2006 and continuing meetings pertaining thereto, the following actions have been taken by the members & Benefits Committee:

#### a. COR 06-2 RE: Carl T.C. Gutierrez

#### Request:

To put a hold on "Enhancement Adjustment" until appeal is resolved.

#### Discussion:

On August 15, 2006, the Retirement Fund adjusted Mr. Gutierrez's annuity by removing the enhancement credit. Mr. Gutierrez requested that the Fund reinstate his enhancement until his appeal has been resolved. The Fund's legal counsel states that the Fund may maintain the reduced annuity until the appeal process has been completed. Legal counsel provided guidance and options for the administrative appeal process that the Board could take: 1) Position/brief without a hearing; 2) A hearing with witnesses; and 3) Position/brief with the possibility of a hearing. The M&B committee members discussed the options presented.

### Findings:

The M& B Committee found that in order for Mr. Gutierrez's enhancement to be reinstated, all employer and employee contributions would need to be paid on Mr. Gutierrez's behalf.

The Fund received payment for the employer (GovGuam) share of the contributions on behalf of Mr. Gutierrez and payment of the employee (Mr. Gutierrez's) contributions is pending.

The M&B Committee reaffirms their position made at the Oct. 18, 2006 meeting not to reinstate Mr. Gutierrez's annuity until <u>all</u> contributions are paid and the Fund has been made whole.

The M&B Committee will allow the appeal process to move forward and request that Mr. Gutierrez present his position in writing to the Committee. The Fund will send notice of the appeal date to Mr. Gutierrez after the Board's concurrence.

#### b. COR 06-03 RE: Carl T.C. Gutierrez

#### Request:

Mr. R.F. Cunliffe, attorney for Mr. Gutierrez, demands that the Fund reimburse (Carl T.C. Gutierrez) for his Attorney fees.

#### Discussion:

The Director presented the M&B Committee with a request from Mr. Cunliffe to reimburse Mr. Gutierrez for his attorney fees. The Committee discussed the draft response from the Director regarding the attorney fees.

#### Findings:

The M&B Committee finds that the response from the Director is in order and instructs management to send the letter once the Board has approved the M&B Committee recommendation.

#### IV. REVIEW AND FINDINGS

Based on our review and findings during our meeting of November 15, 2006 and continuing meetings pertaining thereto the following actions are recommended to the Board of Trustees:

#### a. COR 06-5 RE: Victor F. Reyes

#### Request:

Mr. Reyes is requesting clarification with respect to the termination of his disability annuity benefits as of November 30, 1991.

#### Service History:

Sept. 23, 1970 to Oct. 10, 1972 Dept of Education Member

Sept. 09, 1973 to Aug. 26, 1983 Port Authority of Guam Member /

Disability Retiree

#### Discussion:

Mr. Reyes was granted disability retirement annuity commencing August 23, 1983. Disability annuitants are required, pursuant to Retirement Laws, to undergo periodic physical examination performed by a licensed physician. A medical examination report processed on August 20, 1990 by Dr. Jesse Ada concluded that Mr. Reyes is not totally and permanently disabled from performance of duties for any assigned positions in the service of the government. Mr. Reyes was notified by the Fund of these findings in a letter dated February 07, 1991. The Law Offices of Brooks & Brooks was retained by Mr. Reyes to represent him in the appeal process. Upon conclusion of the appeal hearing, the Board of Trustees reiterates their findings and decision in a letter dated September 30, 1991.

# Findings:

Mr. Reyes is not totally and permanently disabled from performance of duties, therefore, we recommend reaffirming the previous Board of Trustees decision to terminate disability benefits based on the medical examination report of August 20, 1991.

#### b. COR 06-6 RE: June M. Borja

#### Request:

Mrs. Borja is petitioning for Minor Child Survivor benefits pursuant to §8134, Chapter 8, Title 4 GCA (RE: Felipe P. Garrido - Deceased Retiree August 19, 1995)

#### Service History:

Aug. 08, 1974 to May 28, 1992	Dept of Administration	Member
May 29, 1992 to Aug. 19, 1995	Disability Retiree	Deceased

#### Discussion:

Upon the death of Mr. Garrido in August, 1995, his then common-law spouse, Ms. Isabel C. Cruz made inquiry for surviving minor child benefits. File notes indicate petition of guardianship and birth certificate for minor child June M. Cruz (Borja) were pending submission to the Fund,

The Fund receives a copy of the guardianship petition on April 17, 2000, which further orders the Territorial Registrar at the Department of Public Health and Social Services to re-issue a birth certificate that reflects Mr. Garrido as the natural father of June M. Cruz (Borja). There is no evidence that such re-issued birth certificate was submitted thereafter. Thus, renders the application for benefits at status quo.

Subsequent to Mrs. Borja's letter dated October 12, 2006, she was contacted by the Acting Benefits Program Administrator with regards to providing the Fund with a re-issuance of the birth certificate pursuant to the court order. Mrs. Borja submits the revised birth certificate to the Fund on October 31, 2006.

#### Findings:

Mrs. Borja is entitled to the surviving minor child benefits pursuant to 8134, Chapter 8, Title 4 GCA with receipt of the required documents; we recommend **APPROVING** the retroactive benefits from the August 19, 1995 date of death of Mr. Felipe P. Garrido through June 29, 1997, attainment of age eighteen (18) by Mrs. June M. Cruz (Borja)

