Government of Guam Retirement Fund

MEMBERS' AND BENEFITS COMMITTEE

OCTOBER, 2006 END OF MONTH REPORT



George A. Santos Members' & Benefits Committee, Chairman

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November 17, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Chairman, Board of Trustees

Government of Guam Retirement Fund

FROM:

Chairman, Members' and Benefits Committee

Government of Guam Retirement Fund

SUBJECT: October, 2006 - End of Month Report

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

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

GEORGE Á. SANTOS

I. TOTAL MEMBERS SERVED: A. No. of Active Members Defined Benefits 1. 4,157 2. **Defined Contributions** 6,069 10,226 No. of Retirees В. 6,858 **Defined Benefits** 1. 2. **Defined Contributions** _161 7,019 17,245 II. TOTAL STAFFING: Benefit Services Department A. Budget 2006 1. 10 Actual 10 B. Members' Services Division 1. Budget 2006 10

Actual

10

III. TOTAL CASES PENDING

	TOTA	AL CASES REVII	EWED	58
F.	New Retirees	(Nos. 921-946)		<u>26</u>
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E.	Section 8134 Applicants	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		9
D.	Section 8130 Applicants	Deferred Age		0
C.	Section 8126 Applicants	Medical Disability	Appeals	2
B.	Section 8123 Applicants	Medical Disability		8
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IV. REVIEW AND FINDINGS

Based on our review and findings during our meeting of October 18, 2006, the following applications are recommended for **APPROVAL** to the Board of Trustees:

- A. SECTION 8119, 8120, 8120.1
- 1. Age Retirement Applicant (§8120 after 10/01/81)

a. Name: Josede Figirliyong

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System
Length of Service: 20 Years 02 Months 15 Days

Service Factor: 20.208

Average Annual Salary: \$44,348.04 Annual Annuity: \$20,187.12 Percentage Earned: 45.5197569

Effective Date: August 28, 2006

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

a. Name: Rosa M. Quidachay

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System
Length of Service: 15 Years 11 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 15.916
Average Annual Salary: \$31,964.65
Annual Annuity: \$11,120.40
Percentage Earned: 34.7896817

Effective Date: August 12, 2006

b. Name

John E. Snead

Date of Birth:

Department:

Guam Public School System 16 Years 10 Months 00 Days

Length of Service: Service Factor:

16.833

Average Annual Salary:

\$41,313.50

Annual Annuity:

\$15,320.16 37.0826969

Percentage Earned: Effective Date:

August 12, 2006

Service Retirement Applicants

a. Name:

2.

Edelfrida A. Ada

Date of Birth:

Department:

Department of Revenue & Taxation

Length of Service:

36 Years 00 Months 00 Days

Service Factor:

36.000

Average Annual Salary:

\$54,473.78

Annual Annuity:

\$46,302.72

Percentage Earned:

85.0000128

Effective Date:

September 02, 2006

b. Name:

David VC Camacho

Date of Birth:

Department:

Department of Law

Length of Service:

36 Years 00 Months 00 Days

Service Factor:

36.000

Average Annual Salary:

\$56,683.91

Annual Annuity:

\$48,181.44

Percentage Earned:

85.0002055

Effective Date:

October 01, 2000

c. Name:

Maria A. Castro

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System

Length of Service: 32 Years 09 Months 00 Days Service Factor: 32.750

Average Annual Salary: \$44,282.41 Annual Annuity: \$34,042.08 Percentage Earned: 76.8749487

Effective Date: August 19, 2006

d. Name: Angelica B. Cruz

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System
Length of Service: 36 Years 00 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 36.000

Average Annual Salary: \$44,442.83
Annual Annuity: \$37,776.48
Percentage Earned: 85.0001676

Effective Date: October 01, 2000

e. Name: Robert L. Haddock

Date of Birth:

Department: Dept of Public Health & Social Services

Length of Service: 36 Years 00 Months 00 Days

Service Factor: 36.000

Average Annual Salary: \$91,088.76 Annual Annuity: \$77,425.44 Percentage Earned: 84,9999934

Effective Date: October 01, 2004

f. Name: David Chih-Wei Hu

Date of Birth:

Department:

Guam Public School System 31 Years 04 Months 15 Days

Length of Service: Service Factor:

31.375

Average Annual Salary:

\$45,885.27 \$33,696.96

Annual Annuity: Percentage Earned:

73.4374233

Effective Date:

August 12, 2006

Name: g.

Judith Lee

Date of Birth:

Department:

Guam Public School System 26 Years 09 Months 15 Days

Length of Service: Service Factor:

26.791

Average Annual Salary:

\$44,522.74 \$27,594.00

Annual Annuity: Percentage Earned:

61.9773176

Effective Date:

August 12, 2006

h. Name: Ann Marie S. Manibusan

Date of Birth:

Department: Guam Public School System Length of Service: 29 Years 00 Months 15 Days

Service Factor:

29.041

Average Annual Salary:

\$31,218.17 \$21,104.16

Annual Annuity: Percentage Earned:

67.6021688

Effective Date:

August 12, 2006

i. Name: Mercedes T. Mendiola

Date of Birth:

Department:

Guam Public School System 25 Years 07 Months 15 Days

Length of Service: Service Factor:

25.625

Average Annual Salary:

\$45,911.54 \$27,116.40

Annual Annuity: Percentage Earned:

59.0622749

Effective Date:

August 12, 2006

j. Name:

Luciano L. Oppus

Date of Birth:

Department:

Guam Public School System 26 Years 02 Months 15 Days

Length of Service:

26.208

Service Factor: Average Annual Salary:

\$45,873.38

Annual Annuity:

\$27,762.48

Percentage Earned:

60.5198047

Effective Date:

August 12, 2006

B. SECTION 8134 - SURVIVING SPOUSE ANNUITY APPLICANTS

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

a. Name:

Linda M.A. Babauta

Date of Death:

April 01, 2002

Annuity due Decease:

\$23,760.72

Surviving Spouse:

Tomas M. Babauta

Survivor's Annuity:

\$11,880.48

Percentage Earned:

50%

Effective Date:

May 22, 2002

b. Name:

Dolores S. Cruz

Date of Death:

August 25, 2006

Annuity due Decease:

\$13,598.40

Surviving Spouse:

Juan C. Cruz

Survivor's Annuity:

\$ 6,799.20

Percentage Earned:

50%

Effective Date:

August 25, 2006

c. Name:

Gregorio P. De Leon Guerrero

Rosa R. De Leon Guerrero

Date of Death:

August 06, 2006

Annuity due Decease:

\$23,824.80

Surviving Spouse:

\$11,912.40

Survivor's Annuity: Percentage Earned:

50%

Effective Date:

August 06, 2006

d. Name:

Date of Death:

Annuity due Decease:

Surviving Spouse:

Survivor's Annuity:

Percentage Earned:

Effective Date:

e. Name:

Date of Death:

Annuity due Decease:

Surviving Spouse:

Survivor's Annuity:

Percentage Earned:

Effective Date:

f. Name:

Date of Death:

Annuity due Decease:

Surviving Spouse:

Survivor's Annuity:

Percentage Earned:

Effective Date:

g. Name:

Date of Death:

Annuity due Decease:

Surviving Spouse:

Survivor's Annuity:

Percentage Earned:

Effective Date:

h. Name:

Date of Death:

Annuity due Decease:

Surviving Spouse:

Survivor's Annuity:

Percentage Earned:

Effective Date:

Alfred LG Guerrero

August 11, 2006

\$26,681.28

Judy M. Guerrero

\$13,340.64

50%

August 11, 2006

Antonio Q. Manila

August 25, 2006

\$18,033.36

Agnes T. Manila

\$ 9,016.80

50%

August 25, 2006

George R. Milemore

July 22, 2006

\$11,178.48

Leone M. Milemore

\$ 5,589.36

50%

July 22, 2006

Paul C. Pocaigue

September 12, 2006

\$ 9,009.12

Maria U. Pocaigue

\$ 4,504.56

50%

September 12, 2006

Elias LG Taijeron

August 23, 2006

\$21,155.52

Maria M. Taijeron

\$10,577.76

50%

August 23, 2006

i. Name:

Date of Death:

Annuity due Decease:

Surviving Spouse: Survivor's Annuity:

Percentage Earned:

Effective Date:

Margaret C. Taylor

July 23, 2006

\$ 8,664.48

James J. Taylor

\$ 4,332.24

50%

July 23, 2006

C. Supplemental Listing of New Retirees and Finalized Retirement Annuities

921 Name

Date of Birth

Department
Effective Date

John C. Quinata

University of Guam February 22, 1999

922 Name

Surviving Spouse of

Department
Effective Date

Leone M. Milemore George R. Milemore

University of Guam July 22, 2006

923 Name

Surviving Spouse of

Department

Effective Date

James J. Taylor

Margaret C. Taylor University of Guam

July 23, 2006

924 Name

Surviving Spouse of

Department
Effective Date

Julita S. Acosta

Venancio R. Acosta

Guam Public School System

July 30, 2006

925 Name

Date of Birth

Department

Effective Date

Angelica B. Cruz

Guam Public School System

August 01, 2006

926	Name Surviving Spouse of Department Effective Date	Rosa R. DeLeon Guerrero Gregorio P. DeLeon Guerrero Guam International Airport Authority August 06, 2006
927	Name Surviving Spouse of Department Effective Date	Judy M. Guerrero Alfred LG Guerrero Guam Power Authority August 11, 2006
928	Name Date of Birth Department Effective Date	David Chih-Wei Hu Guam Public School System August 18, 2006
929	Name Date of Birth Department Effective Date	Judith Lee Guam Public School System August 12, 2006
930	Name Date of Birth Department Effective Date	Ann Marie S. Manibusan Guam Public School System August 12, 2006
931	Name Date of Birth Department Effective Date	Wilfreda Y. Martinez Guam Public School System August 12, 2006
932	Name Date of Birth Department Effective Date	Mercedes T. Mendiola Guam Public School System August 12, 2006
933	Name Date of Birth Department Effective Date	Mae C. Nowell Guam Public School System August 12, 2006

934	Name Date of Birth	Luciano L. Oppus
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School System August 12, 2006
935	Name Date of Birth	Rosa M. Quidachay
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School System August 12, 2006
936	Name Date of Birth	Loida G. Retumban
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School System August 12, 2006
937	Name Date of Birth	John E. Snead
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School System August 12, 2006
938	Name Date of Birth	Rosa B. Tribaudini
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School System August 12, 2006
939	Name Date of Birth	Michael J. Williams
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School System August 12, 2006
940	Name Date of Birth	Maria A. Castro
	Department Effective Date	Guam Public School System August 19, 2006

941	Name Surviving Spouse of Department Effective Date	Maria M. Taijeron Elias LG Taijeron Department of Correction August 23, 2006
942	Name Surviving Spouse of Department Effective Date	Juan C. Cruz Dolores S. Cruz Guam Public School System August 25, 2006
943	Name Surviving Spouse of Department Effective Date	Agnes T. Manila Antonio Q. Manila Department of Public Works August 25, 2006
		1145451 25, 2000
944	Name Date of Birth	Josede Figirliyong
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944 945	Date of Birth Department Effective Date Name	Josede Figirliyong Guam Public School System
	Date of Birth Department Effective Date	Josede Figirliyong Guam Public School System August 28, 2006

V. REVIEW AND FINDINGS

Based on our review and findings during our meeting of October 18, 2006 the following application is recommended for DISAPPROVAL to the Board of Trustees:

A. COR 06-1 RE: Pito Q. Cruz

Request: Petition for military credit for retirement purposes.

Service History:

03/06/79 to 02/01/80 Department of Corrections - Member

02/03/80 to 09/30/06 Superior Court - Member/Retired

Discussion:

Mr. Cruz has submitted a request for consideration of his military service enlistment period towards retirement credit.

Pursuant to PL 19-19 and §8018 (b), upon the effective date of this act on August 22, 1988, all employees of the Government of Guam who wish to obtain military service credits must apply on or before February 18, 1989. Failure to submit application by the established deadline will be deemed to constitute grounds for waiver of such credit being sought.

An audit of a data master file of military credit applications received by the fund does not identify or include receipt of such application on behalf of Mr. Cruz.

Findings:

Mr. Cruz is ineligible for creditable military service subject to the statutory provisions above, therefore, we recommend <u>DISAPPROVAL</u> of this request.

B. Adjustment to Estimated Annuity for Carl T.C. Gutierrez

Request:

Appeal of Fund action regarding the continuation of "enhanced" annuities for Mr. Carl T. C. Gutierrez.

Background:

In October 1999, Mr. Carl T.C. Gutierrez applied for retirement effective December 31, 1998 and was placed on a retirement annuity estimate pending a full review and finalization of his retirement annuity. In 2003, the audit for Fiscal years 2000 and 2001 were completed and cited a miscalculation of Mr. Gutierrez's retirement benefit.

On September 7, 2004 Attorney General Douglas Moylan ordered the Retirement Fund to cease and desist from further action on this matter. (Exhibit A)

On June 15, 2005 Attorney General Douglas Moylan grants the Fund Authority to proceed in the best interest of the Retirement Fund. (Exhibit B)

On April 21, 2006, after extensive research and deliberations the Retirement Board rendered a decision on the matter.

On May 5, 2006, the Fund sent a letter to Mr. Gutierrez advising him of errors in the estimated annuity he had been receiving as a retiree under the Defined Benefit Plan. To continue his "enhanced" annuities, the Fund sought remission of the undercharged employee contributions in the amount of \$81,919.25. If the applicable contributions were not timely remitted, Mr. Gutierrez's annual annuity would be reduced to \$40,235.76 effective for the pay period June 30, 2006.

Appeal:

Per August 8, 2006 memo, Elyze J. McDonald, our attorney chronicled the attempt by Attorney F. Randall Cunliffe to appeal the Fund's decision. No settlement was concluded amongst the attorneys. (Exhibit C)

On August 14, 2006 memo Attorney F. Randall Cunliffe appeals directly to the Board of Trustees, Government of Guam Retirement Fund. He indicates the following:

- 1. The Retirement Fund improperly calculated the monies due;
- 2. Because of the alleged miscalculations, Mr. Gutierrez spent a significant amount of money defending himself in a criminal proceeding;
- 3. Expeditious action by the Fund would have saved Mr. Gutierrez from facing criminal prosecution and saved him enormous amounts of money;
- 4. The Fund has indicated that they will reduce his retirement annuity rather than require his payment of the amount claimed; and
- 5. Appeals for a more reasonable resolution of this matter caused by miscalculations from someone at the Retirement Fund. (Exhibit D)

Discussion:

- Point 1: The improper calculations of monies due is not disputed, it was discovered in the audit for Fiscal Years 2000 and 2001.
- Points 2&3: The Fund had no control of matters with respect to criminal proceedings; that was a matter initiated by the Attorney General. As a matter of fact, the Attorney General clearly delayed our expeditious action on this matter because of his September 7, 2004 gag order.
- Points 4&5: The intent of the Board in this case is simply to make the Fund "whole" with respect to monies due the Fund to continue Mr. Gutierrez's "enhanced" annuities. The Board seeks remission of the undercharged employee contributions in the amount of \$81,919.25 and the matching government share of \$54,770.40.

Findings:

The committee sustains its findings as reported on April 21, 2006 and continues to recommend that Mr. Gutierrez remit the amounts due to the Retirement Fund as a condition of continuing the enhanced benefit.