



Update

Dear Friends,

October 11, 2017

Since my election to the KPERS Board of Trustees I have a new disclaimer that I must include in these updates from now on: "The views expressed in this update represent my views and/or the views of the Coalition. They do not in any way represent the views of KPERS Board of Trustees nor do I speak for them." (Ernie Claudel)

TODAY'S MEETING

The October 11th KCPR meeting once again included long discussions regarding what strategy to pursue in regards to seeking a benefit increase and how to combine that with the real fear that the underfunding would intensify because of the recent Supreme Court decision on school funding, and we have also learned that the dreaded discussion over a reamortization plan would once again surface. The outcome of this would be the ultimate example of "kicking the can down the road." One fact is painfully obvious! If the underfunding doesn't stop, a benefit increase will be extremely difficult to achieve.

Some GOOD NEWS

1. The Silver Haired Legislature recently passed two resolutions, one supporting a COLA for KPERS recipients (Resolution 3504) and a resolution asking the legislature to stop underfunding KPERS (Resolution 3503).
2. One of our sister coalitions KKP (Keeping the Kansas Promise) is affiliated with NPPC – (National Public Pension Coalition) which will FUND a KPERS SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN promoting no further underfunding.
3. KKP – will also be funding a reception following the February 5th RALLY in support of KPERS for those who have to work during the time of the rally.

IMPORTANT DATE

At this day and time, the KCPR Rally in support of KPERS is scheduled on Monday, February 5, 2018. The back-up (weather date) will be Wednesday, February 7. The event is scheduled from 10:00 am to 11:30 am in the Rotunda in the Capitol in Topeka. [This date is yet to be officially confirmed, but we are fairly confident that this date will be officially confirmed.]

ELECTION DATES 2017 & 2018

(Any questions you have about your particular situation can be addressed to your local election office. Johnson County, Shawnee County, Sedgwick County and Wyandotte County have election offices. In all other counties election responsibilities rest with the Office of the County Clerk.)

General Election – November 7, 2017- THE ADVANCE VOTING PEREMITERS MAY VARY FROM COUNTY TO COUNTY. CHECK ON THESE LOCALLY!! Check your area for sure, but Advance Voting likely begins Oct. 23, 2017

ELECTION DATES FOR 2018 are as follows:

General Election – November 6, 2018

June 1, 2018

Filing and Withdrawal Deadline (12 noon) (K.S.A. 25-205, K.S.A. 25-305(a), K.S.A. 25-306a)

Deadline for questions to be placed on the Primary Election ballot

July 17, 2018

Registration books close - last day to register (K.S.A. 25-2311(a)(3))

[Be sure you are registered!! Name change, address change, party affiliation change will require re-registration!]

July 18, 2018

Advance voting by mail begins - 20 days prior to Election Day
(K.S.A. 25-1123(a))

July 23, 2018

Advance voting in person begins (K.S.A. 25-1122(g))

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August 6, 2018

Advance voting in person closes (12 noon) (K.S.A. 25-1122(g))
Filing deadline for Independent nominations (12 noon) (K.S.A. 25-305(b))
Filing deadline for District Court Judges Retention of Judges (12 noon) (K.S.A. 20-2908)

August 7, 2018

FALL PRIMARY ELECTION

First Tuesday in August in even numbered years (K.S.A. 25-203, K.S.A. 25-2502(b))

August 13, 2018

Primary Canvass (K.S.A. 25-3104)

September 1, 2018

Deadline for questions to be placed on the General Election ballot
Deadline for State Board of Canvassers to meet (Primary) (K.S.A. 25-3205)

September 7, 2018

Filing deadline for Supreme Court and Court of Appeals judges to file for retention
Kansas Constitution Article 3 Section 5(c) (K.S.A. 20-3006(a))

October 16, 2018

Registration books close - last day to register (K.S.A. 25-2311(a)(3))

October 17, 2018

Advance voting by mail begins - 20 days prior to Election Day (K.S.A. 25-1123(a))

October 22, 2018

Advance voting in person begins (K.S.A. 25-1122(g))

November 5, 2018

Advance voting in person closes (12 noon) (K.S.A. 25-1122(g))

November 6, 2018 FALL GENERAL ELECTION

Tuesday after the first Monday in November in even numbered years
(K.S.A. 25-101, K.S.A. 25-2502(a))

November 12

General Canvass (K.S.A. 25-3104)

We sincerely hope you have a wonder week!!

- Remember to send us your updated email address...also if for any reason you should no longer wish to receive this update, let us know at the address(es) listed at the end of this "update," and we will contact you and remove you from the official mailing lists.
- Just a reminder, that this email is an official report of the Kansas Coalition of Public Retirees. If Ron and I editorialize, we will indicate that fact.
- Remember that we want you to forward this to other retirees and the "working" who will benefit from this information.
- The KCPR website is www.ksretirees.org

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