



## RETURNING YOUR BALLOT

The Department advises voters to mail their ballots early to make sure the ballots are received on time. Ballots in return envelopes must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., Friday, February 3, 2017.

### OR

You may return your ballot through your department's appointed Election Officer.

### OR

In person to the Department of Elections:  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl. Rm 48  
San Francisco, CA 94102  
Monday thru Friday  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Each member is allowed to submit one ballot only.**

## IF YOU NEED A REPLACEMENT BALLOT

If you make a mistake or lose your ballot, and want a replacement ballot mailed to you, contact the Department of Elections at (415) 554-4342.

### OR

E-mail your request to [elections-ballotdist@sfgov.org](mailto:elections-ballotdist@sfgov.org) with your full name and address.

### OR

Request a ballot in person.  
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San Francisco, CA 94102  
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8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

For more information, visit [sfelections.org](http://sfelections.org)

## INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

1. Use a pen with black or dark blue ink.
2. Fill in the circle for the candidate your choice.

The diagram shows a ballot card with the following sections:

- Header: Member (vote for one)
- Illustration: A hand holding a pen, filling a circle.
- Form fields:
  - Name
  - Job title
  - Department
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  - Name
  - Job title
  - Department

3. Place ballot card in the return envelope and seal the envelope.
4. **Sign** your name in the space provided on the back of the return envelope.
5. Mail or deliver your return envelope to:

**Department of Elections  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl. Rm 48  
San Francisco, CA 94102**

# 2017 Retirement Board Election

## VOTER INFORMATION PAMPHLET

### Candidates' Statements

This pamphlet contains Candidates' Statements of Qualifications.

A complete list of candidates appears on the official ballot enclosed with this pamphlet.

Each candidate's statement is volunteered by the candidate and is published exactly as submitted.



## Candidates' Statement of Qualifications

### Candidate Statement of Al Casciato

**My occupation is** Retired City Employee, Past Retirement Board President

**My qualifications are:**

I worked for the city for 42 years and for 17 years I served on the San Francisco Retirement Board, which oversees our pension system. In 2012, I retired as President of the Board.

During my tenure on the Retirement Board:

- I served as President and Vice President a total of 8 times
- The fund grew from \$6 to \$18 billion
- We avoided costly mistakes that cost you money

If the Retirement Board does not invest wisely, employees will pay more and retirees will not receive a Supplemental COLA.

At the request of union leaders and retiree groups, I am running to serve as your representative. All of my endorsers believe our pension system has many challenges and that I have the experience needed to protect your benefits.

Please join us:

Protect Our Benefits (POB) / Larry Barsetti - Chair, POB / Clare Murphy - SFERS Executive Director, 1985-2010 / Tami Bryant, SEIU Local 1021, COPE Board / Sharon Johnson - Past Vice Chair, POB / Fred Sanchez, POB / Leo Martinez, POB / Firefighters Local 798 / Retired Firemen and Widows Association (RFWA) / James McCoy, President, RFWA / Timothy O'Brien, Secretary/Treasurer, RFWA / IFPTE Local 21 / IBEW Local 6 / Laborers Local 261 / Union of American Physicians and Dentists / Municipal Executives Association / Municipal Attorneys Association / Veteran Police Officers' Association / Police Officers Association / Plumbers Local 38 / Teamsters Local 856

[www.electcasciato.com](http://www.electcasciato.com)

### Candidate Statement of Herb Meiberger, MBA, CFA

**My occupation is** Incumbent, San Francisco Retirement Board Commissioner

**My qualifications are:**

- SFERS Commissioner, 25 years;
- SFERS investment officer, 20 years;
- MBA, UC Berkeley;
- Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA);
- Instructor, Finance and Investments, SF State University, 30 years.

Recently:

- Opposed Hedge Fund investments, obtaining Warren Buffett's personal advice;
- Voted paying pre-1996 retirees Supplemental COLA;
- Participated in investment decisions, making our plan among the best in the U.S.

Why vote for me?

- I have direct investment management experience!
- Your watchdog overseeing SFERS' \$1 billion Hedge Fund investment, and entire \$20 billion Pension Fund;
- I support increasing Supplemental COLA to 5% when fully funded.
- Balanced representation! Miscellaneous members comprise 84% of Plan members, deserving an elected seat at the table like other public pension plans!
- "Public Safety" shouldn't hold all three elected seats!

Keep Our Fund Strong! Please Vote for Me!

[www.herbmeiberger.com](http://www.herbmeiberger.com); [herb.sf@gmail.com](mailto:herb.sf@gmail.com); (415)812-2649.

Partial Endorsements (See website):

Retired Employees of SF (*RECCSF*), SEIU Local 1021, SEIU Local 1021, West Bay Retirees, Victor Makras, Commissioner, SFERS\*, Leona Bridges, Commissioner, SFERS\*, Peter Ashe, Former Commissioner, SFERS\*, Ed Walsh, Commissioner, Retirement Health Care Trust Fund\*, Claire Zvanski, President, RECCSF\*, Nancy Gin, Jean Thomas, Charter Members, POB\*, Lois Scott, Kathleen Price, Howard Wong, Past Presidents, IFPTE Local 21\*, David Williams, President, SEIU West Bay Retirees\*

\*For Identification Purposes