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Board of Trustee Updates

The MPERS Board of Trustees holds elections every year at their February meeting to name a chair and vice chair of the board. Sue Cox was re-elected chair and Bill Seibert was re-elected vice-chair.

The election process has begun for the active and retired representatives for our Board of Trustees. Members have until 4:00 p.m. on March 30th to complete & submit to MPERS the *Trustee Candidate Declaration and Trustee Candidate Nomination* forms. The next deadline will be for MPERS to notify the nominees by April 5th. For further information about the board election, please go to our website and look under "About MPERS" and you will see a link to our board election information.

Pre-Retirement Seminars

Invitations for the 2018 Pre-Retirement Seminars were distributed last week. It is not necessary to wait for an invitation to register. Registration can begin as soon as the seminars are posted on our website. The seminars will begin on March 23rd and will wrap up on September 21st. **As a reminder, members can only sign up for the seminars through their *myMPERS Secure Member Access*.** If anyone has questions or problems registering, we will be happy to walk them through it. Invitations are sent to members who will be eligible to retire within the next 5 years. Two weeks prior to each session, if there is room available, the seminars will be opened up to anyone else who wishes to attend. All registrations for individual seminars will be closed one week prior to the date of the actual seminar.

Pre-Retirement Seminars for March and April

March 23rd	Jefferson City	MoDOT Central District Office
April 4th & 5th	Lee's Summit	MoDOT Kansas City District Office
April 17th & 18th	St. Joseph	MoDOT Northwest District Office
April 19th	Macon	Comfort Inn

Vesting Changes for 2011 Tier

We are testing the programming changes required due to legislative updates made to the 2011 Tier but our production environment & *myMPERS Secure Member Access* are still showing information based on laws in effect prior to January 1, 2018. If you have a 2011 Tier member who thinks they are now eligible to retire, or has any other questions about their benefits, please have them contact our benefit specialists directly so that we may provide them with accurate information. We will let you know when our system has been updated, but in the meantime, we appreciate your patience. Programming changes will be completed prior to the distribution of our *Annual Benefit Statements*.

2018 Board Meeting Schedule

April 26, 2018 – only if necessary
June 21, 2018
September 27, 2018
November 29, 2018