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Kimberly Hanna elected to PERS Board of Trustees



Kimberly W. Hanna, chief financial officer/city clerk of Tupelo, has been elected as the new municipal employees' representative on the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS) Board of Trustees.

"With a master's in public accountancy and 25 years of experience in accounting, Ms. Hanna will be a strong addition to our Board," said Ray Higgins, PERS executive director. "We look forward to working with her."

Hanna defeated Arianne E. Linville, human resources director/deputy city clerk of Olive Branch; and William "Bill" H. Stone, general manager for Holly Springs Utility Department, to fill the Board's municipal employee position left vacant April 30 with the departure of Stephen Benson of Southaven. While the votes in the election have been tallied, the election results must be certified by the Board and Hanna must be sworn in before she officially takes office as a board member. The certification and swearing in are scheduled for the Board's previously scheduled August 28 meeting. Once in office, Hanna will complete Benson's unexpired term, which runs through December 31, 2020.

The 10-member PERS Board includes the state Treasurer, a gubernatorial appointee who is a member of PERS, two retirees, two state employees, and one representative each of public schools and community colleges, institutions of higher learning, counties, and municipalities. With the exception of the state Treasurer and the gubernatorial appointee, board members are elected to staggered six-year terms.

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