

# POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION BOARD REGULAR BOARD MEETING 888 South Andrews Avenue, Suite 202

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316
Tuesday, December 13, 2022, 12:00 Noon

## **Board Members**

Ken Rudominer, Chair
Richard Fortunato, Vice Chair
Scott Bayne, Secretary [arr. 12:17]
Jim Naugle, Trustee
A
Jeff Cameron, Trustee
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Dennis Hole, Trustee
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Derek Joseph, Trustee

## Also Present

Lynn Wenguer, Executive Director [via phone]
Alexandra Goyes, Deputy Director
Kyle Campbell, Greg Shott, CAPTRUST
[via phone]

Robert Klausner, Board Attorney [via phone]

### **ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 12:01 PM. Roll was called and a quorum was determined to be present.

### MINUTES:

Regular Meeting: November 9, 2022

Mr. Hole noted corrections to the minutes.

**Motion** made by Mr. Hole, seconded by Mr. Fortunato to approve the Board's November 9, 2022 meeting minutes as amended. In a voice vote, motion passed unanimously.

### **NEW HIRES:**

There were no new hires.

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#### **BILLS:**

Northern Trust	\$40,893.17
Captrust	\$31,737.74
Aon Risk	\$16,618.91
Marcum	\$8,200.00
Dr. Naveed Shafi	\$3,500.00
Dr. Jeffrey Worth	\$2,200.00
Foster & Foster	\$1,000.00

Mr. Hole stated initials were lacking on two of the bills. Ms. Wenguer confirmed that all bills had been reviewed.

**Motion** made by Mr. Fortunato, seconded by Mr. Hole, to approve payment of the bills as stated. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Bayne arrived at 12:17.

**BENEFITS:** 

FIRE DEPT: New Beneficiary: Beverly Guise

Member Termination: Lee Rodulfo
Survivor Death: Helen Rathbun

POLICE DEPT: New Retiree:(DROP Termination): Jeffery L. Feldewert

Michael J Berndt Mark Benoit

Mark Benoit
Charles Studders III

Richard Fortunato

Patricia Rose

Roy J. Goderstad

Member Termination: Louis Walsh

**Motion** made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Bayne, to approve payment of the benefits as stated. In a voice vote, motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC/ INPUT FROM ACTIVE & RETIRED POLICE OFFICERS & FIREFIGHTERS:

**Vesting Termination:** 

None

CAPTRUST:

Kyle Campbell

**Monthly Investment Review** 

Mr. Campbell provided an update. He said the portfolio was up 12% quarter-to-date. As of December, the balance was \$1,060,000,000. He thought the Federal Reserve would raise interest rates this week and again in February, bringing short-term rates to 5%.

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Mr. Campbell reported the active managers had performed well in this environment. He said over the year, the markets had begun working back and he anticipated volatility on the fixed income and equity side.

Mr. Campbell announced he would bring JMI Growth Equity to the Board's January meeting.

Regarding the Investment Seminar, Mr. Campbell proposed inviting all investment managers to a dinner/extended cocktail hour on Thursday and on Friday, they would have a panel or two and then focus on managers who were underperforming. Mr. Joseph wanted to be sure AgAmerica attended, since it had been a while since the Board had heard from them.

### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Robert Klausner

Mr. Klausner reported the Taurus contract was done and signed.

Mr. Klausner stated the Department of Labor had approved a new rule on ESG. The new rule was that if all other things were equal, having ESG as a component of investment philosophy was fine, but the overarching duty was to invest the assets for the highest and best return at a reasonable rate of risk without regard to any external factors.

Memorandum: Proxy Voting Disclosure Rules

Mr. Klausner said they had a philosophy toward individually managed accounts but not voting shares in mutual funds, ETFs, or other collective investments. Mr. Hole said the Board had separate proxy voting guidelines and agreed to send this to Mr. Klausner for review.

Memorandum: Delaware Law Change Permits Companies to Insulate Corporate Officers from Liability for Reckless Conduct

Mr. Klausner said this law was basically a "Get out of Jail Free Card" for corporate officers who "sinned." He stated they should alert managers to vote "no" if any proxy votes regarding these came up.

#### COMMUNICATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Fred Nesbitt

Mr. Nesbitt reported Fort Lauderdale had three new Commissioners and suggested providing all five members of the City Commission, as well as the City Manager, with an overview of the pension system. Mr. Bayne said to comply with Sunshine rules, they should set up individual meetings with each Commissioner. Mr. Bayne thought it would be appropriate for Chair Rudominer or his designee to meet with the Commissioners. Mr. Nesbitt said some plans put a presentation on the City Commission's agenda once a year. He offered to update the presentation.

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### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

### Investment Workshop

Ms. Wenguer said dinner was on January 12 and the seminar was on January 13.

### Pension Payroll

Ms. Wenguer said they were still working on the conversion. They had not yet accomplished a clean payroll download from the City, so the conversion would be delayed and the City would handle January. Retirees would therefore receive two 1099s for 2023 but she said this was better than a very botched payroll.

**Motion** made by Mr. Bayne, seconded by Mr. Joseph, to not convert the payroll system until the new system was tested and shown to be working to Ms. Wenguer's satisfaction. In a voice vote, motion passed unanimously.

#### PENDING ITEMS:

### **New Business:**

Mr. Hole said they had not revised the Summary Plan Description [SPD] since 2018. Ms. Wenguer said they had re-written it since then, but they were still waiting for the ordinance to be approved. Mr. Klausner stated the 47/50 age inconsistency in the ordinance must be resolved first. Mr. Klausner advised keeping the SPD they had until the ordinance was adopted.

#### **Old Business:**

Schedule A

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

etary Chairman

Any written public comments made 48 hours prior to the meeting regarding items discussed during the proceedings have been attached hereto.