

**POLICE AND FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
888 South Andrews Avenue, Suite 202
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316
Wednesday, April 12, 2023, 12:30 PM**

Board Members

Ken Rudominer, Chair	P
Derek Joseph, Vice Chair	P
Scott Bayne, Secretary	P
Jeff Cameron, Trustee	P
Richard Fortunato, Trustee [via Microsoft Teams]	P
Dennis Hole, Trustee	P
Jim Naugle, Trustee	P

Also Present

Lynn Wenguer, Executive Director	Fred Nesbitt, Communications Director
Alexandra Goyes, Deputy Director	Linda Short, Finance Director
Katherine Alvarez, Administrative Assistant	Scott Hoffer, FLPD
Andy Marino and Brenda Alfaro, CAPTRUST	Abdel Bryson, FLPD
Robert Klausner, Board Attorney	Deputy Chief Robert Bacic

ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:32 PM. Roll was called, and a quorum was determined to be present.

MINUTES:

Regular Meeting: March 8, 2023

Motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Hole to approve the Minutes of the Board's March 8, 2023, meeting. In a voice vote, motion passed unanimously.

NEW HIRES:

Chair Rudominer welcomed the new hire.

BENEFITS:

FIRE DEPT:	New Retiree:(DROP Termination):	David Mercado James P Pilger Eladio Morejon
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POLICE DEPT:
DROP Retiree:
Vested Retirement:
New Beneficiary:
Member Termination:

Robert Siegel
Timothy Beattie
Patricia J Rose
Mirna DeCarlo
Kiamesha S Lane

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

BILLS:	Northern Trust	\$41,252.18
	Klausner, Kaufman	\$10,150.00
	Milliman	\$5,750.00
	Klausner, Kaufman	\$4,375.00
	Klausner, Kaufman	\$3,500.00
	Marcum	\$2,500.00

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

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

None

CAPTRUST:
Monthly Investment Review

Andy Marino and Brenda Alfaro

Mr. Marino provided the update. He acknowledged how challenging 2022 had been but noted the portfolio's exposure to alternatives had done quite well. He anticipated a positive return for the quarter. Mr. Marino stated they were monitoring the impacts of the interest rate increases. He felt we were on the cusp of a recession.

Chair Rudominer asked about the security of their cash, in light the recent bank failures. Mr. Marino said it would make sense to use US Treasury Money Market funds for excess cash balances. He said Northern Trust was not one of the banks identified by the government as a "too big/important to fail" and advised Ms. Wenguer to ask the bank if they used a Treasury Money Market funds for overnight sweeps and what the risks would be of an overnight bank failure.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Robert Klausner

Mr. Klausner said HB 3 was moving forward. It would prohibit decision-making regarding investing based on anything other than whether the investment would provide the highest

return for a reasonable rate of risk and prohibit an affirmative proxy vote for anything that not intended to enhance the economic value of the investment. Mr. Klausner noted that other states that had enacted such laws had also granted trustees additional immunity, but this was not being done in Florida. He said this would require discussion with CAPTRUST and Foster & Foster. Mr. Klausner said, "politicizing investments is costly to everybody," and "the only people who can really vote their... social conscience with money is church plans and... private foundations." He was unsure anyone was anticipating how much this would cost the taxpayers.

Mr. Klausner discussed Ms. Wenguer's contract. The City's attorney had filed a response and Mr. Klausner had filed his. He anticipated a resolution in the next few months.

Mr. Klausner researched the industry standards for the time limit for purchasing prior service. He described different time limits that plans used. He advised the Board that they could change the policy if they wished because the plan did not specify. Mr. Bayne was comfortable with the current policy and would not be in favor of extending the time more than five years [past the smoothing period.] Mr. Klausner recommended codifying the policy and posting it to the website. Board members agreed to postpone discussion until they discussed it with the Plan actuary at the next meeting.

COMMUNICATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Fred Nesbitt

Mr. Nesbitt invited Board members' input for the annual report.

Mr. Nesbitt related the story of a Texas State retiree who had retired in 2001 and had never received a cost-of-living adjustment, while the State of Texas had a \$33 billion budget surplus. He noted the similarity with Plan members in Fort Lauderdale, who had not received a cost-of-living adjustment since 2001 as well.

Mr. Klausner complimented Mr. Nesbitt on his News Clips, stating he had an extensive list of people around the country who requested they be forwarded to them.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Administrative Assistant's resignation

Ms. Wenguer said Ms. Alvarez had resigned, effective Friday.

Bookkeeper

Ms. Wenguer had met with a potential bookkeeper for the payroll account. She requested Board approval to add the position. Ms. Wenguer said the bookkeeper would be hired as a consultant, not a city employee. She said the administrative assistant position, after Ms. Alvarez left, would have a new job description including bookkeeping skills.

Mr. Fortunato wanted to ensure they had updated cybersecurity for the bookkeeper to have remote access. Mr. Klausner recommended purchasing a restricted computer for the bookkeeper. Chair Rudominer noted they would perform a background check as well. Ms. Short suggested asking Northern Trust to mask personal employee information.

Audit

Ms. Wenguer said the actuary was moving ahead with the GASB 67 statement, which the auditors were awaiting. Once they had the statement, it would take about one week for the auditor to provide the Board with something to review. Ms. Wenguer explained several things that had contributed to the delay.

Chair Rudominer asked Ms. Short to make recommendations for speeding the process when the auditor attended the May meeting.

Draft Summary Plan Description [SPD]

Mr. Klausner advised including language that indicated the document was updated periodically and including the date a section was amended.

Ms. Wenguer and Board members reviewed the draft language. Ms. Wenguer agreed to make the changes the Board discussed.

Motion made by Mr. Joseph, seconded by Mr. Hole, to publish the Summary Plan Description as of April 12, 2023, with the discussed changes and notations. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

PENDING ITEMS:

New Business:

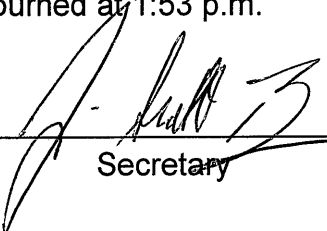
Buyback Policy Change

Discussed earlier.

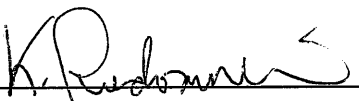
Old Business:

Schedule A

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 1:53 p.m.



Secretary



Chairman

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