

**MINUTES
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PEACE OFFICERS' ANNUITY AND BENEFIT FUND**

WEDNESDAY
October 6, 2021
Virtual
10:30 A.M.

Present :

Homer Bryson, Sec/ Treasurer
Keith Glass, Chairman
Stephen Adams
Greg Dozier

Dan Kilgore
Tyrone Oliver
Rob Turner
Brandt Barlow, CFO
David Will, Board Attorney

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Glass. Homer Bryson provided the invocation.

The following items were considered by the Board.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The September 1, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes were reviewed. *Greg Dozier made a motion, seconded by Stephen Adams, to approve the Minutes of September 1, 2021. The vote of approval was unanimous.*

II. FINANCIAL REPORTS

Jim Fallon said the fund is down about \$11 million since the close of the 2nd quarter. We continue to maintain about \$12 million in cash on hand to cover three months of expenses. The discussion today will cover Alternative Investments and Emerging Markets. If the Board desires, we can be moving forward by the 1st quarter next year.

Paul Troup made a presentation to the Board on Alternative Investments advising the fund has about \$100 million that can be invested in this area. The current investment manager is AEW and they have had better performance than other real estate managers. He discussed building portfolio structure and the asset mix necessary. Chairman Glass said the board would like to move forward with a study by Callan on Alternative Investments.

Jim Fallon then discussed Emerging Markets and stated investing in Emerging

Markets involves a 7-year cycle in order to get the most out of your investments. He has a list of managers ready if the Board would like to move forward with interviews in November. Chairman Glass said he is not comfortable investing any more with China. Jim Fallon said we already have a little exposure with emerging markets, and this is a good time to buy right now. Greg Dozier said he struggles with the concept of too much risk in the portfolio. He asked if it is smart to keep adding more risks, and if this is becoming the standard.

Neal Kaplan addressed concerns about risk allocation. He said the quarterly reports reflect higher than average returns. Therefore, higher than average risks are within the realm of normal.

Jim Fallon said he would do a detailed study. He reminded the Board the fund is just evolving from two different platforms, and we have moved a lot of managers around. He said the reality is that China continues to be a bigger part of our world. Fallon advised he would move cautiously.

Brandt Barlow presented a GASB 67 disclosure from Foster and Foster. He advised Joe Griffin would be present at the next meeting to provide a June 30, 2021 Evaluation Report.

III. RETIREMENTS FOR APPROVAL (List on file)

Dan Kilgore made a motion, seconded by Tyrone Oliver, to approve the October, 2021 list of requests for retirement. The vote was unanimous.

IV. REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Greg Dozier made a motion, seconded by Tyrone Oliver, to approve the following request for Leave of Absence. The vote of approval was unanimous.

Joshua Delton Cockrell; Left DNR on 8/23/2021; Service in Fund 4-0-14

V. LEGAL MATTERS

David Will said POAB has been asked to participate in another class action case presented by Levi & Korsinsky, to serve as lead plaintiff. The company used manufacturing processes that were not proper. We lost over \$400,000 on trades associated with them. There was discussion about the case. Mr. Will reminded the Board if the case is won, as a participant, we would still receive the same amount of compensation. The consensus of the Board was to participate in the case but not as lead plaintiff.

David Will stated the outcome of the Postell case is still pending.

VI. OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Homer Bryson presented the Membership reports for September.

Homer Bryson discussed branding for POAB and presented several revised logos reviewed in the previous meeting. The list was pared down to four options. After much discussion, the Board reached a consensus on the best logo to represent the Peace Officers' Fund.

Dan Kilgore made a motion, seconded by Rob Turner, approving version V-5-3 Peace Officers' Annuity & Benefit Fund logo. The vote of approval was unanimous.

VII. PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEMS TRUSTEE TRAINING

Board members in attendance at the meeting today will receive one (1) hour of training credit for the presentation on Alternative Investments and Emerging Markets.

VIII. NEXT MEETING DATE AND LOCATION

The next meeting of the board will be held on Wednesday, November 3, 2021, at the Fund Office at 10:30 AM.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:34 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



P. Homer Bryson
Secretary/Treasurer