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INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN

Thursday, February 17, 2022 Retirement Fund Conference Room

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Retirement Fund Investment Committee Meeting for the Defined Benefit Plan was called to order at 12:37 p.m. Thursday, February 17, 2022, in the Retirement Fund Conference Room. Investment Committee Chairman Artemio Hernandez officiated.

Board of Trustees Present:

Artemio R.A. Hernandez, Chairman Thomas H. San Agustin, Member (*Via Zoom*) David N. Sanford, Member (*Via Zoom*)

Staff Present:

Paula Blas, Director

Investment Consultant Present:

Maggie Ralbovsky, Wilshire Associates

II. ACTION ITEMS

1. January 13, 2022 Regular Investment Committee Meeting Minutes

Committee Member David Sanford, seconded by Committee Member Thomas San Agustin, moved to approve the Minutes of the January 13, 2022 Regular Investment Committee Meeting, subject to technical corrections. Without objection, the motion passed.

III. OPEN ITEMS

Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for:

1. International Equity

Committee Chairman Hernandez stated that the RFP for International Equity will be issued on March 14, 2022.

2. U.S. Small Cap

Committee Chairman Hernandez stated that the RFP for U.S. Small Cap will be issued at the end of second quarter of the calendar year.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

1. Review of Investment Strategies

Committee Chairman Hernandez stated that the Retirement Fund's Legal Counsel provided a memorandum regarding the investment strategies that was discussed previously and recommended by Maggie Ralbovsky of Wilshire Associates. Legal Counsel will be working on some legislation which will be provided to the Committee for review.

2. New Building

Committee Chairman Hernandez stated that Director Paula Blas will be seeking assistance from the Department of Public Works and possibly a planner which will require a solicitation as it relates to assessing the status of the current building. Management will move forward with developing the scope of work for a planner.

V. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Asset Allocation Summaries

A copy of the asset allocation summary statements was provided to the Committee for review and informational purposes. Committee Chairman Hernandez stated that as of February 11, 2022, the size of the Retirement Fund's portfolio is \$2,218,280,189 and as of February 15, 2022, it's \$2.21 Billion.

2. Income Summary

A summary of interest and dividend income was provided to the Committee for review and informational purposes.

3. Securities Lending

A summary of securities lending earnings was provided to the Committee for review and informational purposes.

4. 5-Year Plan

A copy of the 5-Year Plan was provided to the Committee for review and informational purposes.

VI. OPEN DISCUSSION

1. DB Plan Quarterly Performance

Committee Chairman Hernandez stated that during the Due Diligence meeting, Ms. Ralbovsky discussed the economic outlook and the Investment Performance for the quarter ended December 31, 2021. She noted that the Total Fund had a 4.7% return for the quarter. The 1-year return was 12.9%, outperforming the primary policy by 0.3%. Overall the Total Fund return ranks at the 10th percentile of Wilshire's Total Fund public peer group universe for the quarter.

2. Recommendation for Board Action

a. Intech Investment Management

Committee Chairman Hernandez stated that Wilshire recommends to approve the consent of the assignment to the Ownership Change as requested by Intech. Ms. Ralbovsky stated that Intech has agreed to acquire the company from its parent firm resulting in Intech's founder, employees and board as the new owners of Intech.

Committee Member David Sanford, seconded by Committee Member Thomas San Agustin, moved to approve for the Investment Committee to recommend to the Board of Trustees to approve the consent of the assignment of the Investment Management Agreement between Intech and the Retirement Fund to the new Ownership Change as requested by Intech; and based on Wilshire Associates' recommendation. Without objection, the motion passed.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE

None

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Next Due Diligence Meeting: May 18 and 19, 2022

Committee Chairman Hernandez informed the Committee that the next due diligence meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 18 and 19, 2022. Annual reviews will be conducted for the following Fixed Income and High Yield Managers:

- Garcia Hamilton
- Income Research Management
- Hotchkis Wiley
- Nomura Research
- Aegon USA

IX. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Investment Committee, a motion was made by Committee Member Thomas San Agustin, seconded by Committee Member David Sanford, to adjourn the meeting at 12:46 p.m. Without objection, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

JACKIE BLAS

Recording Secretary

AFFIRMED:

ARTEMIO R.A. HERNANDEZ, Ph.D. **Investment Committee Chairman**