PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD EDUCATION SESSION AND MEETING MINUTES FOR

Thursday, June 20, 2019

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June 20, 2019 Education Session

The Retirement Board Education Session of the Public Employees' Retirement Board meeting was called to order by Chair Ross at 9:39 a.m., June 20, 2019, in the PERS' Board Room, 693 W. Nye Lane, Carson City. Members present: Timothy Ross, Yolanda King, Mark Stevens, and Brian Wallace. Members absent: Scott Gorgon and Dawn Huckaby.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments offered.

2. EDUCATION TOPIC

2.1 Staff reviewed constitutional, federal, and state benefit limitations and requirements with the Retirement Board. Staff and Mary Dunn of Provaliant Retirement, LLC, provided an overview of pension processing systems to the Retirement Board.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments offered.

4. RECESS

Chair Ross recessed the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

June 20, 2019 Board Meeting

The Retirement Board meeting of the Public Employees' Retirement Board was called to order by Chair Ross at 11:23 a.m., on June 20, 2019, in the PERS' Board Room, 693 W. Nye Lane,

Carson City. Members present: Timothy Ross, Yolanda King, Mark Stevens, and Brian Wallace. Members absent: Scott Gorgon and Dawn Huckaby.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

Kent Ervin, representing the Nevada Faculty Alliance, mentioned that the legislative session went pretty well for PERS. He stated that it is very important to get the new computer system right and it needs the strongest possible oversight. He was happy with all the planning going into it. He also mentioned the second opinion actuarial report that the Board received and the yellow or orange flags that need to be addressed as the System moves toward full funding.

2. <u>DISABILITIES</u>

2.1 For the record, Yolanda King stated that Applicant Nos. 9 and 12 work or worked for the same employer as herself, but she did not feel that would impair her vote. Tim Ross stated that Applicant No. 30 works or worked with him, but he did not feel that would impair his vote.

On motion of Yolanda King, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to:

- 1. Approve permanent and total disability retirements for Applicant Nos. 1-15 as recommended by staff for the month of June 2019.
- 2. Approve reemployment requests by disability recipients, Applicant Nos. 16-28, as recommended by staff for the month of June 2019.
- 3. Deny reemployment requests for disability recipients, Applicant Nos. 29-30, as recommended by staff for the month of June 2019.

3. <u>INVESTMENTS</u>

- 3.1 Staff presented a securities lending update. After discussion, on motion of Brian Wallace, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to instruct staff to not sign the QFC agreements limiting PERS access to collateral in the securities lending program.
- 3.2 There were no recommended changes to the Interim Investment Directives for the PERS', Legislators', and Judicial funds.

4. BOARD

4.1 Staff stated that according to Board policy, the Board's Charters and Policies should be reviewed once every three years to make sure they remain sufficient, relevant, and in compliance with legal requirements. The last review was

- completed the end of 2015. Staff will review the Board Charters prior to the next meeting and propose any changes or modifications needed for the Board's review at the July meeting.
- 4.2 On motion of Yolanda King, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to approve the minutes of the Retirement Board Education Session and Retirement Board meeting held May 16, 2019, as submitted.
- 4.3 There were no recommended changes to the Retirement Board meeting dates.
- 4.4 There were no recommended changes to the Retirement Board Education Curriculum calendar.

5. <u>ACCOUNTING</u>

5.1 Staff reviewed the status of the external audit recommendations with the Retirement Board. On motion of Brian Wallace, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to accept the Status of External Audit Recommendation Report, as submitted.

6. ADMINISTRATION

- 6.1 Staff presented the contract renewal with Segal Consulting for actuarial and benefit consulting services for fiscal years 2020 and 2021. On motion of Brian Wallace, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to instruct staff to contract with Segal Consulting for actuarial and benefit consulting services for fiscal years 2020 and 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$420,500 for fiscal year 2020 and in an amount not to exceed \$420,500 for fiscal year 2021, subject to successful negotiations.
- 6.2 Staff reviewed the contract renewal with APEX Computing, Inc., for information technology consulting services for the System's main offices for fiscal year 2020. On motion of Yolanda King, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to approve the consulting contract with APEX Computing, Inc., for the System's main offices, in an amount not to exceed \$1,222,404.
- 6.3 Staff reviewed the contract renewal with APEX Computing, Inc., for information technology consulting services for the System's disaster recovery site for fiscal year 2020. On motion of Tim Ross, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to approve the contract with APEX Computing, Inc., for the System's disaster recovery site, in an amount not to exceed \$223,881.
- 6.4 Staff reviewed the contract renewal with ICON for the data quality project. On motion of Tim Ross, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to approve the contract with ICON to provide planning and execution of the Data

- Quality Project for the period July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$382,295, subject to successful negotiation.
- 6.5 Staff reviewed the contract renewal with Provaliant Retirement, LLC, for project management services. On motion of Tim Ross, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to approve the contract with Provaliant to provide IT project management services for the planning of the PAS program for the period July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$516,997, subject to successful negotiation.
- Staff reviewed the Police and Firefighters' Retirement Fund Advisory Committee structure and terms. As of June 30, 2019, Brett Fields' term on the Committee will expire. To fill his Firefighter Employee Representative position, staff requested nominations and interviewed three candidates and reviewed their nomination letters. As of June 30, 2019, Scott Vivier's term on the Committee will expire. To fill his Fire Management Representative position, staff requested nominations and received one nomination. After discussion, on motion of Tim Ross, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to table this agenda item until a future meeting.

7. LEGISLATION

7.1 Staff reviewed the final status of the bills the System was tracking during the 2019 legislative session.

8. <u>RATIFICATION AGENDA</u>

On motion of Yolanda King, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to approve all items on the Ratification Agenda as recommended by staff:

- 8.1 Approve the Administrative Fund disbursements.
- 8.2 Approve the personnel action taken since the last report.
- 8.3 Approve the Phase-In Agreement between the Desert Research Institute and Harlan Schmidt.
- 8.4 Approve the Phase-In Agreement between the Legislative Counsel Bureau and Diana Giovannoni.
- 8.5 Approve the Final Benefit Audit Report for February 2018.
- 8.6 Approve the Final Benefit Audit Report for March 2018.
- 8.7 Approve the Final Benefit Audit Report for April 2018.

- 8.8 Approve the Final Benefit Audit Report for May 2018.
- 8.9 Approve the Final Benefit Audit Report for June 2018.
- 8.10 Approve the request by Town of Kingston Fire Company for membership in PERS effective July 1, 2019.
- 8.11 Authorize staff to contract with Cindy Yadon for an amount not to exceed \$25,500.
- 8.12 Authorize staff to contract with Vickie Peterson for an amount not to exceed \$25,500.
- 8.13 Authorize staff to contract with James S. Whaley for an amount not to exceed \$32,400 for the period July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020.
- 8.14 Authorize staff to contract with Susan Curtis for an amount not to exceed \$25,500.
- 8.15 Approve the contract renewal with PERS' Medical Consultant, B Bottenberg, D.O., for fiscal years 2020 and 2021 with a total cost not to exceed \$41,904 for the period July 1, 2019, through June 30, 2020, and \$43,992 for the period July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021.
- 8.16 Authorize staff to contract with Patricia Keyes for an amount not to exceed \$25,500.
- 8.17 Authorize staff to contract with Dana Danforth for an amount not to exceed \$25,500.
- 8.18 Approve the contract renewal with Verizon Security Services for fiscal year 2020 at a cost not to exceed \$116,550 for one year.
- 8.19 Authorize staff to contract with Paula Darragh for an amount not to exceed \$25,500.

9. DENIALS

10. REPORTS

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

11.1 Individual statements and/or requests by the members, retired employees and/or the public:

Priscilla Maloney, AFSCME Retirees, addressed the Retirement Board to add some context and behind the scenes thinking as to what happened on some of the legislative bills.

- 11.2 PERS' General Counsel provided an update on pending litigation.
- 11.3 There was no Administrative Report by Staff.
- 11.4 There were no comments or questions from the Retirement Board members.

12. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Ross at 12:57 p.m.

The following is the time schedule for the meeting:

The Retirement Board education session held on June 20, 2019, was called to order at 9:39 a.m. by Chair Ross and recessed at 10:58 a.m. The June 20, 2019, Retirement Board meeting was called to order at 11:23 a.m. by Chair Ross and adjourned at 12:57 p.m.