PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD EDUCATION SESSION AND MEETING MINUTES FOR

Thursday, July 18, 2019

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July 18, 2019 Education Session

The Retirement Board Education Session of the Public Employees' Retirement Board meeting was called to order by Chair Ross at 9:33 a.m., July 18, 2019, in the PERS' Board Room, 5740 S. Eastern Avenue, Suite 120, Las Vegas. Members present: Timothy Ross, Yolanda King, Todd Ingalsbee, and Brian Wallace. Members absent: Dawn Huckaby and Mark Stevens.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mike Ramirez, Las Vegas Police Protective Association, stated that the Retirement Board is doing a great job and welcomed Todd Ingalsbee to the Board.

2. <u>EDUCATION TOPIC</u>

2.1 Staff, Janet Becker-Wold of Callan, and Julia Bonafede of Jobs Peak Advisors reviewed PERS' investment portfolio relative to industry with the Retirement Board.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Kent Ervin, Nevada Faculty Alliance, welcomed Todd Ingalsbee to the Retirement Board and mentioned the interesting presentation. He thanked the Board for their long-term discipline in the program and stated that PERS is meeting market benchmarks.

4. RECESS

Chair Ross recessed the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

July 18, 2019 Board Meeting

The Retirement Board meeting of the Public Employees' Retirement Board was called to order by Chair Ross at 11:18 a.m., on July 18, 2019, in the PERS' Board Room, 5740 S. Eastern Avenue, Suite 120, Las Vegas. Members present: Timothy Ross, Yolanda King, Todd Ingalsbee, and Brian Wallace. Members absent: Dawn Huckaby and Mark Stevens.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

Kent Ervin, Nevada Faculty Alliance, spoke regarding Agenda Item 4.3, COLAs for executive staff. He mentioned cost of living increases in the state and the consumer price index. He stated that 3 percent for state employees is not quite matching the inflation rate.

2. DISABILITIES

2.1 For the record, Yolanda King stated that Applicant Nos. 10, 17, 24, and 26 work or worked for the same employer as herself, but she did not feel that would impair her vote. Todd Ingalsbee stated that Applicant No. 19 works or worked for the same employer as himself and is a member of the same local, but he did not feel that would impair his vote. Applicant No. 9 rescinded the disability application.

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

- 1. Approve permanent and total disability retirements for Applicant Nos. 1-8 and 10-23 as recommended by staff for the month of July 2019.
- 2. Approve reemployment requests by disability recipients, Applicant Nos. 24-30, as recommended by staff for the month of July 2019.
- 3. Deny reemployment requests for disability recipients, Applicant Nos. 31-32, as recommended by staff for the month of July 2019.
- 2.2 On motion of Yolanda King, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to approve a dependent child benefit under the provisions of NRS 286.673(5).

3. <u>INVESTMENTS</u>

- 3.1 Staff and Julia Bonafede of Jobs Peak Advisors provided a due diligence update on Mellon Investment Corporation.
- 3.2 There were no recommended changes to the Interim Investment Directives for the PERS', Legislators', and Judicial funds.

4. BOARD

- 4.1 On motion of Brian Wallace to elect Tim Ross as Chair, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to elect Tim Ross as Chair of the Retirement Board for fiscal year 2020. On motion of Brian Wallace to elect Yolanda King as Vice Chair, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to elect Yolanda King as Vice Chair of the Retirement Board for fiscal year 2020.
- 4.2 Staff provided the PERS' executive management review and plan to the Board. Staff presented highlights from the previous fiscal year in seven different categories:
 - 1. Governance and Board Relations;
 - 2. Executive Management;
 - 3. Funding and Actuarial Valuations;
 - 4. Operations;
 - 5. Investment Program;
 - 6. Internal Audit; and
 - 7. Legislative Management.

Staff also mentioned areas that the executive staff will be focusing on for review in the upcoming fiscal year. On motion of Yolanda King, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to accept the Executive Management Review and Plan, as submitted.

- 4.3 Staff reviewed the cost of living adjustments that were approved by the Legislature in the 2019 legislative session for all state employees. As stated at NRS 286.160(2), the Board shall set the salaries of the Executive Staff, subject to the approval of the Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee (IRBC) of the legislature. Staff anticipates an IRBC meeting will be held sometime in early 2020. On motion of Brian Wallace, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to approve a 3% cost of living adjustment for Executive Staff salaries effective July 1, 2019, subject to approval by the Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee.
- 4.4 Staff reviewed proposed changes to the Retirement Board Charter, the Retirement Board Vice-Chair Charter, and the Executive Officer Charter. Staff is not recommending any changes to the Retirement Board Chair Charter. On motion of Todd Ingalsbee, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to adopt the Charter of the Retirement Board, Charter for the Board Chair, Charter for the Board Vice-Chair, and Executive Officer's Charter, as submitted.
- 4.5 There was no action taken on this item.
- 4.6 There was no action taken on this item.

- 4.7 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 June 20, 2019, as submitted.
- 4.8 On motion of Brian Wallace, the Retirement Board voted unanimously of those present to approve the proposed Retirement Board meeting dates for January 2020 through June 2020, as submitted.
- 4.9 There were no recommended changes to the Retirement Board meeting dates for the rest of the calendar year.
- 4.10 There were no recommended changes to the Retirement Board Education Curriculum calendar.

5. ACCOUNTING

5.1 Staff reviewed the budget spending authority for fiscal years 2020-2021 that was submitted by the Retirement Board and approved by the 2019 legislature. No action was taken on this item as it was provided as information only.

6. RATIFICATION AGENDA

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:

- 6.1 Approve the Administrative Fund disbursements.
- 6.2 Approve the personnel action taken since the last report.
- 6.3 Approve the Final Benefit Audit Report for July 2018.
- 6.4 Approve the Deceased Recipient Review Report for the first quarter of 2019.
- 6.5 Authorize staff to contract with Jami Good for an amount not to exceed \$25,500.
- 6.6 Authorize staff to contract with Patty Machal for an amount not to exceed \$25,500.
- 6.7 Authorize staff to contract with Marcia Robinson for an amount not to exceed \$25,500.

7. DENIALS

8. <u>REPORTS</u>

9. PUBLIC COMMENT

- 9.1 There were no individual statements and/or requests by the members, retired employees and/or the public.
- 9.2 PERS' General Counsel provided an update on pending litigation.
- 9.3 There was no Administrative Report by Staff.
- 9.4 There were no comments or questions from the Retirement Board members.

10. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Ross at 12:32 p.m.

The following is the time schedule for the meeting:

The Retirement Board education session held on July 18, 2019, was called to order at 9:33 a.m. by Chair Ross and recessed at 11:00 a.m. The July 18, 2019, Retirement Board meeting was called to order at 11:18 a.m. by Chair Ross and adjourned at 12:32 p.m.