

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD
100 North Park Avenue, Room 201
Helena MT 59601

Thursday, May 11, 2017
8:30 am

ATTENDANCE

Board of Trustees

Sheena Wilson, President
Mike McGinley, Vice President
Maggie Peterson, Member
Marty Tuttle, Member
Timm Twardoski, Member
Pepper Valdez, Member

MPERA Staff

Dore Schwinden, Executive Director
Melanie Symons, Chief Legal Counsel
Patricia Davis, Member Services Bureau Chief
Hollie Koehler, Fiscal Services Bureau Chief
Angela Riley, Information Technology Bureau Chief
William Holahan, Legal Counsel
Katherine Talley, Legal Counsel
Donna Bley, Financial Operation Supervisor
Diann Levandowski, Financial Reporting Accountant
Ali Rice, Accountant
Barbara Quinn, Accountant
Cynthia Pearson, Executive Assistant

Public

Todd Green, Joe Nichols, Cavanaugh Macdonald Consulting
Mike O'Connor, Brian Thompson, AMRPE
Tom Schneider, MPEA
Diane Fladmo, MEA-MFT
Jerry Williams, MPPA
Mark Murphy, MACOP, MCAA
George Richards, MSFA
Jessie Luther, AMT/MSPOA
Chris Heisel, Empower Retirement

ACTIONS

V.A. Consent Agenda

- Member Marty Tuttle moved to approve the consent agenda, as presented. President Sheena Wilson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

V.B. Approve Personnel Committee Minutes

- President Sheena Wilson moved to accept the minutes of the Personnel Committee's February 28, 2017 meeting, as presented. Member Maggie Peterson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

V.C. Actuarial Experience Study

- Member Maggie Peterson moved to approve and adopt a decrease in the adopted assumed rate of investment return from 7.75% to 7.65%, effective July 1, 2017. Vice President Mike McGinley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Member Maggie Peterson moved to approve and adopt a decrease in the adopted wage inflation assumption from 4.0% to 3.50%, effective July 1, 2017. Member Marty Tuttle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Member Maggie Peterson moved to approve and adopt a decrease in the adopted price inflation assumption from 3.00% to 2.75%, effective July 1, 2017. Member Marty Tuttle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Member Maggie Peterson moved to approve and adopt all demographic assumptions recommended by Cavanaugh Macdonald Consulting, LLC. Member Marty Tuttle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

V.D. Allocations for FY 2018

- Vice President Mike McGinley moved to adopt the new allocations for administrative expenses of the plans for FY 2018, as presented. President Sheena Wilson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

V.E. DC/457 Fee Review

- Member Marty Tuttle moved to accept the staff recommendation of no fee change for the PERS Defined Contribution Plan. Member Maggie Peterson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Member Marty Tuttle moved to accept the staff recommendation of no fee change for the 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan. Member Maggie Peterson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

V.F. Policy Committee Action Items

- Board Admin 02 – Member Marty Tuttle moved to accept the staff recommendation to delete in entirety Board Admin 02 – Requests for Actuarial Information. President Sheena Wilson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Board Admin 01 – Member Marty Tuttle moved to accept the staff's recommended changes to Board Admin 01 – Funding and Benefit Policy. President Sheena Wilson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Board Admin 06 – President Sheena Wilson moved to accept the staff's recommended changes to Board Admin 06 – General Education Policy. Member Timm Twardoski seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Board Admin 07 – President Sheena Wilson moved to accept the staff's recommended changes to Board Admin 07 – Investment Education Policy, with additional document cleanup requested to correct a variety of non-substantive issues. Member Marty Tuttle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Board Admin 11 – Member Marty Tuttle moved to accept the staff's recommended changes to Board Admin 11 – 401(a) Investment Policy Statement, with additional document cleanup requested to correct a variety of non-substantive issues. President Sheena Wilson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

- Board Admin 12 – President Sheena Wilson moved to accept the staff’s recommended changes to Board Admin 12 – 457(b) Investment Policy Statement, with additional document cleanup requested to correct a variety of non-substantive issues. Member Marty Tuttle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

V.G. Set Future Meeting Dates

- The Board agreed to meet for regular business meetings on August 10, October 5, and December 14. The October 5 meeting (annual presentation of actuarial valuations) is one week earlier than normal, in order to accommodate the schedule of the actuary.

Board Requests

- At this time, two Committees—Policy and Personnel—have requested to meet in conjunction with the Board’s regular meeting in June 2017.