

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

Thursday, December 13, 2018
8:30 am

ATTENDANCE

Board of Trustees

Marty Tuttle, President
Pepper Valdez, Vice President
Robyn Driscoll, Member
Julie McKenna, Member
Maggie Peterson, Member
Sheena Wilson, Member

MPERA Staff

Dore Schwinden, Executive Director
William Holahan, Senior Counsel to the Director
Melanie Symons, Chief Legal Counsel
Patricia Davis, Member Services Bureau Chief
Hollie Koehler, Fiscal Services Bureau Chief
Angela Riley, Information Technology Bureau Chief
Ali Rice, Accountant
Cynthia Pearson, Executive Assistant

Public

Dan Villa, Montana Board of Investments
Mike O'Connor, AMRPE
Jerry Williams, MPPA
Mark Murphy, MACOP, MPPA
Julie Lucas, Empower Retirement
Scott DeMarois, George Richards, Kelly Lee, MSFA
Diane Fladmo, MFPE
Sam Schaefer, Legislative Services Division
Yvette Englert, Department of Administration-Human Resources

ACTIONS

VII.A. Consent Agenda

- Member Sheena Wilson moved to approve the consent agenda, as presented. Member Maggie Peterson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VII.B. Approve Audit Committee Meeting Minutes

- Member Maggie Peterson moved to approve the minutes of the Audit Committee's October 4, 2018 meeting, as presented. Vice-President Pepper Valdez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VII.C. Approve Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

- Member Sheena Wilson moved to approve the minutes of the Policy Committee's November 29, 2018 meeting, as presented. Member Robyn Driscoll seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VII.D. Policy Committee Action Item

- Member Sheena Wilson moved to accept the revised Retirement Board Governance Principles and Processes (Board Proc 01), as presented. Member Maggie Peterson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VII.E. Defined Contribution/Deferred Compensation Plans

- Member Maggie Peterson moved to approve the Montana Fixed Fund Investment Policy Statement as proposed, effective January 31, 2019. Member Sheena Wilson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Under staff advisement, no Board action was required on the proposed amendment to the State of Montana Public Employees Pooled Trust to incorporate the newly amended Montana Fixed Fund Investment Policy Statement.
- Member Maggie Peterson moved to approve the amendment of the Investment Management Agreement between the Board and PIMCO to incorporate and reference the newly amended Montana Fixed Fund Investment Policy Statement, effective January 31, 2019. Member Julie McKenna seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Member Sheena Wilson moved to approve the proposed amendments to existing wrap provider agreements between the Board, PIMCO and Voya; the Board, PIMCO, and Prudential; and the Board, PIMCO, and Transamerica to incorporate the newly amended Montana Fixed Fund Investment Policy Statement, effective January 31, 2019. Vice-President Pepper Valdez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Member Maggie Peterson moved to approve MAR Notice # 2-43-578 adopting the Pooled Trust into the PERS-DCRP by reference and amending both the PERS-DCRP and the 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan to adopt the Montana Fixed Fund Investment Policy Statement by reference. Member Sheena Wilson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VII.F. Legislative Committee Action Plan

- Member Sheena Wilson moved to reverse the Board's earlier directive for MPERA to draft a general revisions bill. Member Maggie Peterson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- The Board discussed GWPORS draft legislation; no official action was taken.
- The Board's Legislative Committee agreed to schedule its first conference call of the 2019 Legislative Session for Tuesday, January 15, at 1:30 p.m. (unless MPERA staff deems an earlier date would be productive).

VII.G. Approve Sagitec Support Plan Extension

- Member Sheena Wilson moved to approve a 60-day extension of the Sagitec Maintenance and Support Agreement. Member Julie McKenna seconded the motion, which passed 5-1. President Marty Tuttle voted in opposition.

VII. H. Set Future Meeting Dates

- Member Maggie Peterson moved to set the Board's 2019 meeting schedule as follows: February 14, April 11, June 13, August 8, October 10 (coordinating with the actuary and the Teachers Retirement System), December 12. Member Sheena Wilson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Board Requests

- In order to better understand ongoing Sagitec costs, the Board requested to see exact expenses for (1) licensing and (2) support.
- The Board re-organized the Personnel Committee, with Vice-President Pepper Valdez now serving as committee chairman, and Maggie Peterson and Sheena Wilson serving as committee members.
- The Audit Committee requested to meet in conjunction with the Board's February 14, 2019 meeting.
- The Policy Committee requested to meet sometime in February or March (no date set).