



The Retirement Board of the
Policemen's Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago

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MINUTES

INVESTMENT MEETING

MONDAY – September 23, 2024



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Investment Meeting Agenda
September 23, 2024, 9:00 AM

1. Roll Call
2. Requests from Members of the Public to Address the Board
3. August Preliminary Performance Report and Market Outlook
4. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Private Equity RFP*
5. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Sufficiency of all Nominating Petitions filed for Board Member Elections
 - a. Nominating Petitions for Rank of Investigator, Patrolman, or Equivalent Rank
 - b. Nominating Petitions for Annuitant
 - c. Nominating Petitions for Rank of Lieutenant or Rank Superior to Lieutenant
6. Discussion Regarding Cash Flow
7. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Staff and Retired Healthcare Renewal
8. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Update to 2024 Conference Schedule
9. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Continuing Eligibility Affidavits
10. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Securities Litigation*

*Topics may be discussed in closed session in accordance with the applicable Open Meetings

PRESENT

Board Members:

Michael Stiscak	President, Recording Secretary
Melissa Conyears-Ervin*	Trustee
Jill Jaworski	Trustee
John Lally	Trustee
Mike Lappe	Trustee
Brock Merck	Trustee

Staff:

Kevin Reichart	Executive Director
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Legal Counsel:

Sarah Boeckman	Burke Burns & Pinelli
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Consultants:

DeAnna Jones	NEPC
Kevin Leonard	NEPC
Francesca LoVerde	NEPC

Court Reporter

Kathy Marthaler	Esquire Depositions
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Public in Attendance:

Rosemarie Giambalvo	Retiree, CPD
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City of Chicago Office of the Treasurer Staff

City of Chicago Office of the Chief Financial Officer Staff

*Denotes partial attendance

ROLL CALL

President Stiscak determined a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at approximately 9:16 a.m.

REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

President Stiscak then asked if there were any requests from the public to address the Board. There were no requests.

AUGUST PRELIMINARY PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND MARKET OUTLOOK

Kevin Leonard and DeAnna Jones from NEPC provided a preliminary performance review of the Fund’s investment portfolio for August 2024.

Whereupon Trustee Conyears-Ervin joined the meeting.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE RESPONDENTS TO THE PRIVATE EQUITY RFP

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DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING TERMINATIONS OF REAL ESTATE INVESTEMENT MANAGER

A motion to go into executive session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(7) was made by Trustee Stiscak, seconded by Trustee Lally.

ROLL CALL: For: Conyears-Ervin, Jaworski, Lally, Lappe, Merck, Stiscak.
 Against: 0.
 Absent: Guzman, Levine

A motion to return to open session was made by Trustee Stiscak, seconded by Trustee Lappe.

ROLL CALL: For: Conyears-Ervin, Jaworski, Lally, Lappe, Merck, Stiscak.
 Against: 0.
 Absent: Guzman, Levine

A motion to terminate the Fund’s investment Relationship with Soundmark Partners in accordance with NEPC’s recommendation was made by Trustee Stiscak, seconded by Trustee Lally.

ROLL CALL: For: Conyears-Ervin, Jaworski, Lally, Lappe, Merck, Stiscak.
 Against: 0.
 Absent: Guzman, Levine

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE SUFFICIENCY OF ALL NOMINATING PETITIONS FILED FOR BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS

Executive Director Kevin Reichart reported to the Board that two potential candidates filed petitions for the Board member position from the Rank of Investigator, Patrolman or Equivalent Rank. Fund staff reviewed the petitions to determine each candidate had obtained a minimum of fifty (50) valid signatures from eligible voters on their petitions per the Board election rules. As a result, the sufficiency of both candidates was proven.

According to the Board election rules, the candidates will be listed on the ballot in the order in which they filed their petitions at the Fund office. The order is:

1. Mr. Brock Merck; Detective; Unit of assignment 650.
2. Ms. Nora Walker; Police Officer; Unit of assignment 006.

A motion to pass on the sufficiency of the candidates' petitions and the order on the ballot for the Trustee Election from the Rank of Investigator, Patrolman or Equivalent Rank was made by Trustee Lally, seconded by Trustee Lappe.

ROLL CALL: For: Conyears-Ervin, Jaworski, Lally, Lappe, Stiscak
 Against: 0.
 Abstain: Merck
 Absent: Guzman, Levine

Executive Director Kevin Reichart reported to the Board that two potential candidates filed petitions for the for the Board member position for Annuitant Members. Fund staff reviewed the petitions to determine each candidate had obtained a minimum of twenty-five (25) valid signatures from eligible voters on their petitions per the Board election rules. As a result, the sufficiency of each of the two candidates was proven.

According to the Board election rules, the candidates will be listed on the ballot in the order in which they filed their petitions at the Fund office. The order is:

1. Ms. Rosemarie Giambalvo; Rank and Unit of assignment at retirement: Police Officer, 017.
2. Mr. Thomas Lonergan; Rank and Unit of assignment at retirement: Police Officer, 008.

A motion to pass on the sufficiency of the candidates' petitions and the order on the ballot for the Trustee Election from the Annuitant Members was made by Trustee Lally, seconded by Trustee Lappe.

ROLL CALL: For: Conyears-Ervin, Jaworski, Lally, Lappe, Merck, Stiscak
 Against: 0.
 Absent: Guzman, Levine

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE SUFFICIENCY OF ALL NOMINATING PETITIONS FILED FOR BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS -continued

Executive Director Kevin Reichart reported to the Board that only one person filed petitions for the for the Board member position representing the Rank of Lieutenant or Above. Fund staff reviewed the petitions to determine the candidate had obtained a minimum of twenty-five (25) valid signatures from eligible voters on their petitions per the Board election rules. As a result, the sufficiency of the sole candidate was proven. That candidate is:

1. Mr. Brian Wright; Lieutenant; Unit of assignment 017.

A motion to dispense from the requirement for balloting for the Trustee position representing members from the rank of Lieutenant or Rank Superior to Lieutenant and that the Board deem that the one candidate be nominated by acclamation was made by Trustee Lally, seconded by Trustee Lappe.

ROLL CALL: For: Conyears-Ervin, Jaworski, Lally, Lappe, Merck, Stiscak
Against: 0.
Absent: Guzman, Levine

CASH FLOW / NEEDS

Executive Director Kevin Reichart presented the Fund cash flow and cash needs. He reported that the Fund has received \$832 million from the City of Chicago for the 2024 payment year. There is a balance due of \$19 million.

The Fund did not need to liquidate any assets for the month of September and does not anticipate the need to liquidate any investments in October either.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING STAFF AND RETIRED HEALTHCARE RENEWAL

Executive Director Kevin Reichart reviewed with Board members the proposed costs for Fund staff and retirees Healthcare coverage for 2025, continuing in the grand mothered plan that is currently in place. *A motion was made by Trustee Lappe, seconded by Trustee Lally to approve the healthcare plan for Fund staff and retirees as presented.*

ROLL CALL: For: Conyears-Ervin, Jaworski, Lally, Lappe, Merck, Stiscak
Against: 0.
Absent: Guzman, Levine

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING 2024 CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

An updated list of 2024 educational conferences available for Board Trustee to attend was supplied and reviewed.

A motion to approve attendance for the conferences listed was made by Trustee Lappe, seconded by Trustee Lally.

ROLL CALL: For: Conyears-Ervin, Jaworski, Lally, Lappe, Merck, Stiscak
Against: 0.
Absent: Guzman, Levine

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CONTINUING ELIGIBILITY AFFIDAVITS

Fund Executive Director Kevin Reichart discussed the status of the Continuing Eligibility Affidavits that were initially due back from annuitant members in June. Second and Third requests have been sent to those that are still outstanding. There are approximately 480 annuitant members who have not returned a notarized affidavit. Fund staff are continuing attempts to contact these individuals by the October 15, 2024 deadline in the third request sent in mid-September 2024.

A motion to temporarily suspend the benefits beginning with the end of October annuity of any member who has not returned their continuing benefit eligibility affidavit by October 15, 2024 wade by Trustee Lally, seconded by Trustee Stiscak.

ROLL CALL: For: Coneyears-Ervin, Jaworski, Lally, Lappe, Merck, Stiscak
Against: 0.
Absent: Guzman, Levine

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SECURITIES LITIGATION*

A motion to go into executive session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) was made by Trustee Lally, seconded by Trustee Stiscak.

ROLL CALL: For: Coneyears-Ervin, Jaworski, Lally, Lappe, Merck, Stiscak.
Against: 0.
Absent: Guzman, Levine

A motion to return to open session was made by Trustee Jaworski, seconded by Trustee Lappe.

ROLL CALL: For: Coneyears-Ervin, Jaworski, Lally, Lappe, Merck, Stiscak.
Against: 0.
Absent: Guzman, Levine

A motion to invite six securities litigation firms to Thursday’s Board Meeting to present information on petitioning for lead plaintiff was made by Trustee Stiscak, seconded by Trustee Lally.

ROLL CALL: For: Coneyears-Ervin, Jaworski, Lally, Lappe, Merck, Stiscak.
Against: 0.
Absent: Guzman, Levine

OTHER BUSINESS

None

All business concluded *a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Stiscak, seconded by Trustee Lappe.*

ROLL CALL: For: Coneyears-Ervin, Lally, Lappe, Levine, Merck, Stiscak.
Against: 0.
Absent: Guzman, Jaworski