

RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING March 27, 2024 9:00 a.m. Board Conference Room 1200 Concord Avenue, Suite 350 Concord, California

Present: Candace Andersen, Donald Finley, Scott Gordon, Louis Kroll, Jay Kwon, David

MacDonald, Dan Mierzwa, John Phillips, and Mike Sloan

Absent: Dennis Chebotarev, Jerry Holcombe, and Samson Wong

Staff: Christina Dunn, Chief Executive Officer; Karen Levy, General Counsel; and Tim

Price, Chief Investment Officer

Outside Professional Support: Representing:

David Gorton DG Partners, LLC

Andrew Brown PFM Asset Management

Jennifer Meza PARS
Ariel Goldblatt StepStone
Urs von Büeren StepStone
Scott Whalen Verus

1. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board, staff and audience joined in the *Pledge of Allegiance*.

2. Accept comments from the public

No member of the public offered comment.

3. Approve minutes from the February 28, 2024 meeting

It was M/S/C to approve the minutes from the February 28, 2024 meeting. (Yes: Andersen, Finley, Gordon, Kroll, Macdonald, Mierzwa, Phillips, and Sloan).

Kwon was available for subsequent discussion and voting.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board moved into Closed Session pursuant to Govt. Code § 54956.9(d)(4) to confer with legal counsel regarding imitation of litigation (One potential case).

The Board moved into open session.

4. There was no reportable action related to Govt. Code Section 54956.9(d)(4).

5. <u>Presentation from staff and Brevan Howard – David Gorton regarding a potential</u> commitment to BH-DG Systematic Trend Fund

Price and Mitch Taylor presented the potential role of BH-DG Systematic Trend Fund.

Gorton presented the potential commitment to BH-DG Systematic Trend Fund.

6. <u>Consider and take possible action regarding a commitment to BH-DG Systematic Trend</u> Fund

It was M/S/C to approve the commitment to BH-DG Systematic Trend Fund. (Yes: Andersen, Gordon, Kroll, Kwon, MacDonald, Mierzwa, Phillips, Finley, and Sloan).

7. <u>Consider and take possible action to adopt the total fund policy performance implementation benchmark as recommended by Verus</u>

It was M/S/C to adopt the total fund policy performance implementation benchmark as recommended by Verus. (Yes: Andersen, Gordon, Kroll, Kwon, MacDonald, Mierzwa, Phillips, Finley, and Sloan).

8. Review of private credit by StepStone

Price reviewed the role of private credit in CCCERA's portfolio.

von Büeren and Goldblatt, reviewed Stepstone's private credit program.

9. <u>Presentation from PARS (Public Agency Retirement Services) regarding the I.R.C. Section</u> 115 Trust for Other Post-Employment Benefits for CCCERA Employees

Meza and Brown presented the I.R.C. Section 115 Trust for Other Post-Employment Benefits for CCCERA Employees.

10. Consider authorizing the attendance of the Board:

It was M/S/C to authorize the attendance of 6 Board members at the SACRS/UC Berkeley Program, July 14-17, 2024, Berkeley, CA. (Yes: Andersen, Gordon, Kroll, Kwon, MacDonald, Mierzwa, Phillips, Finley, and Sloan).

11. Miscellaneous:

- a. Staff Report Dunn gave an update on the March retirements, stating the number of applications received for this year is 26% lower than last year at the same time.
- b. Outside Professionals' Report None
- c. Trustees' Comments Gordon and MacDonald reported on their recent attendance at the National Associations of Securities Professionals Private Equity conferences (NASP).

It was M/S/C to adjourn the meeting. (Yes: Andersen, Gordon, Kroll, Kwon, MacDonald, Mierzwa, Phillips, Finley and Sloan)

Scott W. Gordon, Chairperson

Verry R. Holcombe, Secretary