## MISSOURI LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

### BOARD MEETING

LAGERS Board Room Jefferson City, Missouri Friday, 8:17 A.M. September 14, 2018

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Arby Todd, Frank Buck, Bob Ashcroft, Kathy Barszczak, Barry McCullough, Joan Jadali and Claire Scoville.

### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Robert Wilson, Executive Secretary; Brian Collett, Chief Investment Officer; Jeff Kempker, Assistant Executive Secretary, Member Services; Tami Jaegers, Assistant Executive Secretary, Operations; Pam Hopkins, Compliance Officer/Internal Auditor; Melissa Rackers, Chief Financial Officer; Jason Paulsmeyer, Chief Counsel; Megan Loehner, Director of Investments; Elizabeth Althoff, Legislative & Communication Coordinator; Mita Drazilov and Michael Gano, Gabriel, Roeder, Smith & Company; Richard McIntosh and Zachary Brunnert, Flotron & McIntosh; Michael Ruff, Joint Committee on Public Employee Retirement; and Jan Kinard, Administrative Assistant.

#### **Meeting Convened**

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System was held in the LAGERS Board Room, Jefferson City, Missouri, on Friday, September 14, 2018. Arby Todd called the meeting to order at 8:17 A.M.

#### **Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Kathy Barszczak and seconded by Barry McCullough to approve the Consent Agenda, as revised. Motion carried 7-0.

#### Visitor's Comment

No visitors present.

#### Audit & Finance Committee Report

Joan Jadali reported on discussions held at the Audit and Finance Committee meeting. Melissa Rackers discussed line item budget adjustments that did not affect the total budgeted amount and

reported on the status of the external audit for Fiscal Year 2018. Pam Hopkins discussed with the Committee several internal audit reports.

## **Governance Committee Report**

Frank Buck reported no discussion on behalf of the Governance Committee.

### Legislative Committee Report

Kathy Barszczak reported no discussion on behalf of the Legislative Committee.

### **Legislative Consultant Report**

Richard McIntosh and Zachary Brunnert, Flotron & McIntosh, provided an update on the current legislative climate and outlook. Elizabeth Althoff gave an update on several pending legislative items. The report included an update on staff's policy research for expanding employee contribution options, a brief update on the refiling of LAGERS Public Safety language, and a preview of discussion items for the October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Legislative Advisory Committee Meeting.

### Actuary's Report

Mita Drazilov and Michael Gano with GRS presented the 2018 Consolidated Actuarial Valuation.

Mita Drazilov discussed the range of Post Retirement Increases paid to retiree's effective October 1, 2018.

# **Chief Investment Officer's Report**

Megan Loehner notified the Board of investments the Investment Staff has committed to since the previous Board Meeting.

Brian Collett gave a report on 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2018 Performance Highlights, LAGERS Staff OPEB Plan, and LAGERS Staff Plan.

#### **Member Services / Operations Report**

Jeff Kempker and Tami Jaegers gave an update on activities from the Member Services and Operations Departments and the Legacy Plan Administration.

Jeff Kempker discussed the 2018 Annual Meeting.

Jeff Kempker acknowledged Penny Thomas for receiving the Certificate of Achievement in Public Plan Policy in Employee Pensions through the International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans. Jeff Kempker acknowledged Angela Lechtenberg for earning the Accreditation in Public Relations certification.

## **Executive Secretary's Report**

Robert Wilson discussed the appointment of a Hearing Officer in the petition of Erica Spieler.

A motion was made by Bob Ashcroft and seconded by Barry McCullough that Attorney Keith Wenzel be appointed as Hearing Officer in the petition of Erica Spieler, Duty Disability Petition for Administrative Hearing; that Mr. Wenzel conduct a hearing in these matters and present proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law to the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 70.605.16 RSMo and 16 CSR 20-3.010. Motion carried 7-0.

Robert Wilson discussed the appointment of a Hearing Officer in the petition of Charles Duane Lindberg.

A motion was made by Bob Ashcroft and seconded by Barry McCullough that Attorney David Bandre be appointed as Hearing Officer in the petition of Charles Duane Lindberg, Duty Disability Petition for Administrative Hearing; that Mr. Bandre conduct a hearing in these matters and present proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law to the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 70.605.16 RSMo and 16 CSR 20-3.010. Motion carried 7-0.

Robert Wilson discussed the appointment of a Hearing Officer in the petition of John S. Thacker.

A motion was made by Bob Ashcroft and seconded by Barry McCullough that Attorney Ed Clausen be appointed as Hearing Officer in the petition of John S. Thacker, Duty Disability Petition for Administrative Hearing; that Mr. Clausen conduct a hearing in these matters and present proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law to the Board of Trustees pursuant to Section 70.605.16 RSMo and 16 CSR 20-3.010. Motion carried 7-0.

Robert Wilson and Pam Hopkins discussed the timeline for the upcoming board self-evaluation.

#### **Chairman's Report**

Arby Todd and Robert Wilson presented a recap of the National Association of State Retirement Administrators recent annual conference. LAGERS continues to be recognized as a performance and administrative leader across the country.

# **Chief Financial Officer's Report**

Melissa Rackers presented the 2019 Executive Secretary Management Performance Evaluation.

A motion was made by Frank Buck and seconded by Barry McCullough to go into Executive Session for litigation and advice from Counsel regarding legal matters pursuant to section

610.021 (1) and personnel matters pursuant to section 610.021 (3) and (13). A roll call vote was taken. Motion carried 7-0.

**Adjournment** 

Open Session reconvened at 11:20 A.M. A motion was made by Bob Ashcroft and seconded by Kathy Barszczak to adjourn the September Board Meeting of LAGERS at 11:21 A.M. on September 14, 2018. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Wilson Executive Secretary \_\_\_\_