BRISTOL COUNTY RETIREMENT BOARD

At a meeting of the Bristol County Retirement Board held on the 24th day of January, 2018 at the Bristol County Retirement Board Office, 645 County Street, Taunton, Massachusetts at 9:00 A.M.

Present: Christopher T. Saunders, Chairman of the Board

William M. Downey, Board Member Stephen J. Rivard, Board Member John T. Saunders, Board Member Christine N. DeFontes, Board Member Roxanne L. Donovan, Executive Director

The Bristol County Retirement Board reviewed and approved the most current bank reconciliations and the expense, refund and transfer youchers.

INVESTMENT AND FINANCIAL DISCUSSION

Segal Marco Advisors Financial Consultants

In Attendance: Marc Procek and Michaela Pastore

- 1. On a motion by Member Rivard and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the investment transactions that were executed by Income Research and Management, Inc. (Fixed Income) and Arrowstreet Capital, Earnest Partners, LSV, RiceHallJames, Trust & Fiduciary Services, Lyrical Partners (Equities), and CBRE Clarion (Real Estate) for the month ending December 2017.
- 2. On a motion by Member Rivard and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve all other investment transactions executed in-house thus far for December 2017 and January 2018.
- 3. Mr. Procek relayed to the BCRB that he is still waiting on confirmation from Earnest Partners regarding fees. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to authorize Mr. Procek to continue negotiating with Earnest Partners to adjust the fees to 88 bps on first \$10 million and then remain with proposed fee schedule. If they are agreeable, the BCRB will remain with Earnest Partners. The initial investment contract with Earnest Partners is through 12/31/2018, therefore, the new investment contract will begin effective at the end of the existing contract and will not exceed 12/31/2025.
- 4. Mr. Procek provided research data on the fees paid by the BCRB for investment services. The excess returns generated by active versus passive management, justify the additional fees paid. On a motion by Member Rivard and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to receive and place on file the report created by Segal Marco Advisors.
- 5. Labaton Sucharow requested to submit reports annually instead of quarterly. On a motion by Member Rivard and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the change.
- 6. The Executive Director had previously discussed cash needs for February, March and April retiree payroll with Mr. Procek. After discussion on the market and how well Domestic Equity has performed, Mr. Procek recommended keeping an overweight to value. \$5 million per month will be split equally, as needed:

\$10 million from Large Cap (Intech, Columbia, LSV and Lyrical) and \$5 million from Small Cap (Earnest and Rice Hall James). On a motion by Member Rivard and second by Member Downey was followed by a unanimous vote of the BCRB to follow Mr. Procek's recommendations.

- 7. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to receive and place on file memorandum (#4-2018) from Joseph E. Connarton, Executive Director of PERAC, dated January 9, 2018, to the BCRB regarding Tobacco Company List (Quarterly Memo).
- 8. There were fifteen (15) responses to the Value Add/Opportunistic Real Estate RFP. Five (5) of which were rated as Highly Advantageous and two (2) were rated Advantageous. After review and discussion of search book material,

on a motion by Member John Saunders and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to include in the search book:

Ares-US RE IX, Value Add Dune Real Estate-Fund IV, Opp Kayen Anderson-RE Partners V, Opp and Terracap-Partners IV, Value Add

MANAGER INTERVIEWS:

Core Managers:

ARROWSTREET INTERNATIONAL

Presenters: Tony Troilo- Client Relationship Manager and Alex Ogan - Partner, Portfolio Management

PICTET

Presenters: Gian Carlo Siracusa-Business Development Manager & Ben Beneche-Senior Portfolio Manager, International Equities

Growth Managers:

MFS

Presenters: Paul Garbe, Director - Relationship Management and Chris Sunderland, Institutional Portfolio Manager

FIERA CAPITAL

Presenters: Nick Mavro, Senior Vice President, Head of U.S. Institutional

Value Managers:

RBC

Presenters: RBC: Emily Moran, CFA- Associate Portfolio Manager, RBC Global Asset Management and Bernie Horn from Polaris Capital

LSV

Presenters: James W. Owens, Jr. Partner and Director of Client Portfolio Services

The Board and their financial consultants interviewed the above referenced managers for International related investment as appropriately advertised in an RFP. Segal Marco Advisors had prepared and distributed a comparative booklet prior to the meeting and reviewed same both before and after the presentations. All managers offered very sound and precise presentations, and after the interviews, discussion amongst the Board and consultants led to

A motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, followed by a unanimous vote of the BCRB to hire **Arrowstreet International** (in a Group Trust) for **Core International Equity**. The current contract with Arrowstreet is through 12/31/2018, therefore, the new investment contract will begin effective at the end of the existing contract and will not exceed 12/31/2025.

A motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, followed by a unanimous vote of the BCRB to hire **Fiera Capital for Growth International Equity**. The new investment contract with Fiera Capital will not exceed seven (7) years from funding date.

A motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, followed by a unanimous vote of the BCRB to hire **RBC** (Freedom/Polaris) for Value International Equity. The current contract with RBC is through 12/31/2018, therefore, the new investment contract will begin effective at the end of the existing contract and will not exceed 12/31/2025.

OLD BUSINESS - LEGAL

1.

DANIEL MILLER VS. BCRS

Town of Dartmouth-DPW CR-15-629

On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to receive and place on file the DALA decision from Chief Administrative Magistrate Edward B. McGrath, letter from Attorney Sacco and Notice of Appeal to CRAB filed by Attorney Quirk.

2.

SCOTT BENEVIDES TOWN OF SOMERSET-FIRE ADR Application

On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to receive and place on file PERAC's approval dated January 12, 2018 of the Accidental Disability Retirement Application submitted by Mr. Benevides pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 32, Section 94 (Heart Presumption).

NEW BUSINESS – LEGAL NONE

NEW BUSINESS - REGULAR

1. On a motion by Member Rivard and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the first payment to newly retired members of the Bristol County Retirement System for the month of January 2018:

Gerald R Lemos Town of Dartmouth December 02, 2017

William D Myles Town of Norton December 16, 2017

Colleen H Feilhauer Somerset Berkley December 30, 2017

2. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the make-up payments for the purchase of previous creditable service regarding the following members of the retirement system for the month of January 2018:

Susie Campeau Freetown Lakeville 0 Years 3 Months
Pro-rated Service

- 3. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the Bristol County Retirement System fund budget sheet for period ending December 2017 and January 2018.
- 4. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the Trial Balance of the Bristol County Retirement System for the months ending November 2017.
- 5. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to receive and place on file memorandum (#1-2018) from Joseph E. Connarton, Executive Director of PERAC, dated January 2, 2018, to the BCRB regarding 2018 Limits under Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2002 (Annual Memo).

- 6. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to receive and place on file memorandum (#2-2018) from Joseph E. Connarton, Executive Director of PERAC, dated January 2, 2018, to the BCRB regarding 2018 Limits under Section 23 of Chapter 131 of the Acts of 2010 (Annual Memo).
- 7. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to receive and place on file memorandum (#3-2018) from Joseph E. Connarton, Executive Director of PERAC, dated January 5, 2018, to the BCRB regarding COLA Notice (Annual Memo).
- 8. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to receive and place on file memorandum (#5-2018) from Joseph E. Connarton, Executive Director of PERAC, dated January 12, 2018, to the BCRB regarding Mandatory Retirement Board Member Training-1st Quarter 2018. (Quarterly Memo)
- 9. The Executive Director updated the BCRB on Eminent Domain payments and proposals.
- 10. On a motion by Member Rivard and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the Board Meeting Minutes for the following month:

December 20, 2017

On a motion by Member John Saunders and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to adjourn their regular meeting at 1:20 P.M.

The next meeting of the Bristol County Retirement Board is scheduled for Wednesday, February 28, 2018, at 9:00 a.m. at the offices of the Bristol County Retirement Board

SIGNATORIES: Prepared by:	
Roxanne L. Donovan	
	Christopher T. Saunders, Chairman of the Board
	William M. Downey, Board Member
	Stephen J. Rivard, Board Member
	John T. Saunders, Board Member
	Christine N. DeFontes, Board Member