

BRISTOL COUNTY RETIREMENT BOARD

At a meeting of the Bristol County Retirement Board held on the 28th day of June, 2017 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
Christine N. DeFontes, Board Member
John T. Saunders, 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 vouchers.

INVESTMENT AND FINANCIAL DISCUSSION

Segal Marco Advisors Financial Consultants
In attendance: Marc Procek and Michaela Pastore

1. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, 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 May 2017.
2. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve all other investment transactions executed in-house thus far for June 2017.
3. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the Investment Summary Statement for months ending May 2017 as reported to the BCRB by our custodial bank (State Street Bank and Trust); and a year-to-date performance.
4. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to receive and place on file a Memorandum (#18-2017) dated June 7, 2017 from Thomas J. O'Donnell, Compliance Officer, of PERAC, to the BCRB regarding an updated Tobacco Company List.
5. Mr. Procek provided search booklets on the remaining four (4) Value Manager and four (4) Growth managers. After discussion, on a motion by Member Rivard and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to interview ClearBridge Investments, Columbia Management and INTECH Investment Management for Growth and Eagle Capital Management, LSV Asset Management and Lyrical Partners for Value. The interviews will be at the regularly scheduled Board meeting on July 26, 2017.

MANAGER REVIEWS:

All presentation booklets were provided ahead of the meeting.

BLACKROCK VESEY STREET PRIVATE EQUITY FUNDS III AND IV Conference call: Mitchell King, Director and Dylan Herman, Analyst

This is a top down strategy with only quality investments. Fund III recovered well especially since the fund was started in 2006. 87% of capital has been called to date, which they do not anticipate any further calls. Distributions to paid in capital ratio is 1.12x, however total value to paid in capital ratio is 1.40x. For Fund IV, 88% of capital has been called. Blackrock is consistently making distributions. To date, distributions to paid in capital ratio is .75x, however total value to paid in capital ratio is 1.51x. Gross IRR since inception is 11.2%.

DN PARTNERS
Conference call: John Danciewicz, CEO

Mr. Danciewicz explained that the collapse of the oil market is the main contributor to the funds loss in M&M Pump and Supply. They are developing relationships with new customers and continue to reduce costs. They are expanding in Ohio and now have three (3) major customers, up from one (1) last year. Until there is a rebound in the oil market, the fund will continue to lose money. If the market rebounds, the margins will be rather favorable. For the Chinada Holdings, improvements are being made to grow the company. Mr. Danciewicz hopes that they will be in a position to sell both companies within the next two (2) years. He is hopeful that the BCRB will receive a return on their investment, with some excess return. Mr. Rivard expressed his discontent to Mr. Danciewicz regarding the poor performance of this investment.

PIMCO
Conference call: Yinyin Wu, Vice President and Priya Bishen, Account Manager

They reviewed the firm focus of managing risk and delivering returns. An update on firm assets under management was highlighted. Performance for year to date Net of Fees is 5.8% which beat benchmark by 2.4%. The 1 year returns net of fees is 11.1%, compared to the Benchmark of 5.8%. Underweight in raw materials and Asia EM were the biggest detractor in Quarter 1. While tactical exposure to non-Agency MBS, exposure to Mexican and Brazilian external debt and U.S. duration positioning was the largest contributors. They reviewed their positioning and Outlook.

OLD BUSINESS – LEGAL

1.

BREE KRASNIANSKI-POWERS
Town of Rehoboth-Police Officer
ADR Application

On a motion by Member Rivard and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to receive and place on file PERAC's approval dated May 25, 2017 of the Accidental Disability Application submitted by Ms. Krasnianski-Powers pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 32, Section 7.

2.

FRANCINE HOPKINS (WIDOW OF CHARLES HOPKINS),
TOWN OF EASTON – POLICE OFFICER VS. BCBS
DALA, CR-15-470
Date of Death: April 5, 2014

The Board reviewed the DALA decision. On a motion by Member Rivard and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to receive and place on file the DALA decision from Chief Administrative Magistrate Edward B. McGrath and the letter from Attorney Sacco.

3.

DANIEL LENOCI
Town of Norton Firefighter/EMT
Voluntary Accidental Disability Retirement Hearing

The Board reviewed the medical panel certificate and narrative report in which the physicians have answered the three (3) questions in the affirmative regarding Mr. Lenoci's disability, and also reviewed a letter from Atty. Michael Sacco to the BCRB indicating his opinion that the Panel's decision is both substantively and procedurally appropriate. On a motion by Member Rivard and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the accidental disability application of Mr. Lenoci, subject to PERAC's approval.

4.

BRENDAN HALLISEY
Town of Raynham-Police Officer
Voluntary Disability Retirement Hearing

The Board reviewed the medical panel certificate and narrative report in which the physicians have answered the three (3) questions in the affirmative regarding Mr. Hallisey's disability, and also reviewed a letter from Atty. Michael Sacco to the BCRB indicating his opinion that although the Panel's decision is both substantively and procedurally appropriate, no evidence has been presented that Mr. Hallisey suffered any injury within the two-year period and no injury report exists documenting any traumatic exposures. The BCRS acknowledges this fact. On a motion by Member Rivard and second by Member Downey, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the accidental disability application of Mr. Hallisey, subject to PERAC's approval.

5.

ANTONE P. RODERICKS, JR.
TOWN OF DIGHTON-FIRE CHIEF

The BCRB reviewed the news article on Mr. Rodericks' conviction. Until such time as Mr. Roderick requests a refund or retirement benefit, no action needs to be taken.

NEW BUSINESS – REGULAR

1. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Defontes, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the first payment to newly retired members of the Bristol County Retirement System for the month of June 2017:

Mark W Craveiro	Town of Acushnet	May 17, 2017
Cynthia A Martins	Town of Swansea	May 19, 2017

2. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member John Saunders, 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 June 2017:

Kathleen M Smolinski	Town of Mansfield	0 Years 9 Months Pro-rated Service
Sandra Medeiros	Town of Acushnet	8 Years 0 Months Pro-rated Service
Michelle McGowan	Town of Berkley	0 Years 0 Months Contribution Error
Kraig Pimental	Town of Acushnet	0 Years 11 Months Reserve Police
Robin Avila	Town of Dartmouth	2 Years 2 Months Pro-rated Service
Robert Ferreira	Town of Dartmouth	6 Years 0 Months Pro-Rated Service

3. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member John Saunders, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the Bristol County Retirement System fund budget sheet for period ending June 2017.
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 February and March 2017.
5. The BCRB reviewed the annual compensation plan for the staff of the BCRB. After discussion, a motion by Member John Saunders and second by Member Rivard was followed by a vote of the Board (Member Downey abstained) to grant a 3% increase effective July 1, 2017 to staff members Pimentel, Brennan, Ingargiola and Sylvia. The Board thanked the staff for their continuing efforts.
6. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to receive and place on file a memorandum (#19-2017) from Joseph E. Connarton, Executive Director of PERAC, dated June 16, 2017, to the BCRB regarding PROSPER System Changes.
7. On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to approve the Board Meeting Minutes for the following month:
May 31, 2017

On a motion by Member Downey and second by Member Rivard, the BCRB voted unanimously to adjourn their regular meeting at 11:50 A.M.

The next meeting of the Bristol County Retirement Board is scheduled for Wednesday, July 26, 2017, 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

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