

**BOARD OF RETIREMENT
FRESNO COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION**

"Our mission is to administer the retirement benefits for the members and beneficiaries in a courteous, accurate, prompt and professional manner, while administering fund assets in a manner that achieves investment and funding objectives within prudent levels of risk."

March 20, 2019

**REGULAR MEETING
ACTION SUMMARY MINUTES**

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Trustees Present:

Dr. Rauden Coburn, III	Oscar Garcia	Steven Jolly
Nathan Magsig	Stanley McDivitt	John Robinson
Riley Talford	Mary Ann Rogozinski, Alternate (sitting for Trustee Dowell)	

Trustees Absent:

John Adams Robert Dowell

Staff and Service Providers Present:

Donald Kendig, Retirement Administrator
Doris Rentschler, Assistant Retirement Administrator
Elizabeth Avalos, Executive Assistant
Kenneth Price, Board Counsel
Brian Melikian, Chief Deputy County Counsel

Members of the Public that Addressed the Board:

None.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Magsig called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Trustee Rod Coburn led the Pledge.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Items 4.A and 4.C. were pulled for comment/discussion.

AN OPPORTUNITY WAS PROVIDED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE GARCIA, SECONDED BY ALTERNATE TRUSTEE ROGOZINSKI, TO ACCEPT/APPROVE CONSENT ITEMS 4.B. AND 4.D. THROUGH 4.G. AS PRESENTED. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. ABSENT: ADAMS, JOLLY.

Trustee Jolly joined the Board at 8:37 AM (during Item 4.A.).

- A. Receipt and Filing of the Business Expense Account Statements for February 2019

PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED. AN OPPORTUNITY WAS PROVIDED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. THE BOARD DIRECTED STAFF TO AGENDIZE A DISCUSSION ON THE EDUCATION AND TRAVEL POLICY FOR THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION. A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE COBURN, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE TALFORD, TO ACCEPT ITEM 4.A. WITH NOTED DIRECTION. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. ABSENT: ADAMS.

- B. Receipt and Filing of Education Attendance Report: CALAPRS General Assembly – **RECEIVED AND FILED**
- C. Approval to Escheat Moneys for Members 70.5 Years and Above

PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED. AN OPPORTUNITY WAS PROVIDED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. THE BOARD DIRECTED STAFF TO UTILIZE THE SKIP TRACING SERVICES OF THE ACTTC IN AN ATTEMPT TO LOCATE MEMBERS WITH INSUFFICIENT ADDRESSES. A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE TALFORD, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE GARCIA, TO ACCEPT ITEM 4.C. WITH NOTED DIRECTION. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. ABSENT: ADAMS.

- D. Approval of FCERA Board Policies: Employer Contribution Equity, Optional Settlement 4, and Reciprocity – **APPROVED**
- E. Approval of FCERA Disability Policy (2nd Reading) – **APPROVED**
- F. Approval of New FCERA Administrative Proceedings and Appeals to the Board Policy (2nd reading) and Rescinding of the old Administrative Proceedings and Appeals to the Board policy containing Disability Proceedings last modified on October 7, 2015 – **APPROVED AND RESCINDED**
- G. Approval of FCERA Purchasing Card Policy (2nd reading) and Rescinding of the Limited Use Expense Debit Card Policy – **APPROVED AND RESCINDED**

5. MINUTES

- A. Consideration of the March 6, 2019 Retirement Board Regular Meeting Minutes

PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED. AN OPPORTUNITY WAS PROVIDED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE GARCIA, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE TALFORD, TO APPROVE ITEM 5.A. AS PRESENTED. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. ABSENT: ADAMS.

6. DISCUSSION

A. Consideration of FCERA Election Procedures (1st Reading)

PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED. AN OPPORTUNITY WAS PROVIDED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT. THE BOARD DISCUSSED THE POLICY AS IT PERTAINS TO DEFERRED MEMBERS, TIES & PROTESTS, AND APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS. STAFF WILL REFINE THE POLICY, BRING IT BACK FOR A SECOND READING APRIL 3, 2019, AND SUBMIT FOR CONSIDERATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AT THE APRIL 23, 2019 MEETING. A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE TALFORD, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE JOLLY, TO APPROVE ITEM 6.A. WITH NOTED DIRECTION. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. ABSENT: ADAMS.

B. Solicitation of FY 2018-2019 Administrative Budgetary Items from the Board

THE BOARD DIRECTED STAFF TO CONFIRM WITH THE COSTS OF BOARD OF RETIREMENT ELECTIONS WITH THE COUNTY CLERKS OFFICES. NO ACTION TAKEN.

C. Oral discussion regarding Hedge Fund Fee Transparency

THE BOARD RECEIVED A REPORT FROM STAFF ON GROSVENOR'S ABILITY TO PROVIDE FEE INFORMATION AND GAVE STAFF DIRECTION TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL TRANSPARENCY OPTIONS ON THE SPECIFIC HOLDINGS IN THE HEDGE FUND ALLOCATION AND ADDITIONAL RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE YIELD, SUCH AS LEVERAGE, TRACKING ERROR, TURNOVER COSTS, AMONG OTHER ITEMS. RECEIVED. NO ACTION TAKEN.

7. CLOSED SESSION:

A. DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATIONS – PERSONNEL EXCEPTION (pursuant to G.C. §54957)

1. Faith Young

8. ORAL REPORTS:

A. Report from Closed Session

7.A.1. YOUNG – DECISION – TO ADOPT THE FINDINGS OF FACT AND DECISION BASED ON THE BOARD'S DECISION AFTER REVIEWING THE HEARING TRANSCRIPT AND EVIDENCE, AND DISCUSSION OF THE FACTS REGARDING FAITH YOUNG'S SERVICE CONNECTED DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATION. THE MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE JOLLY, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE COBURN. VOTE: UNANIMOUS. ABSENT: ADAMS.

B. FCERA Administration

1. A shipment of FCERA Logo pens, letter openers, and magnets arrived earlier in the week. Staff will distribute to members during counseling sessions and seminars.
2. A Trustee and all staff training has been scheduled for April 18, 2019. The training will cover outward mindset and concepts by the Arbinger Institute.

C. Board Counsel

None.

D. Committee Reports

None.

E. Board Members

1. Trustee Garcia noted that the ACTTC office has begun certifying county payroll for confirming accuracy of retirement contributions.
2. Trustee Jolly commented on his recent attendance at the Fixed Income and Credit Symposium in Dallas TX.
3. Chair Magsig encouraged the Trustees who encounter unique investment ideas to forward them to Verus.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE JOLLY, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE MCDIVITT TO ADJOURN.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:35 PM.

Donald C. Kendig, CPA
Secretary to the Board