

Minutes

Seattle City Employees' Retirement System Regular Board Meeting

Wednesday, May 7, 2008 - 9:00 a.m.
Pacific Building, 10th Floor

Present: Jean Godden, Dwight Dively, Mark McDermott, Lou Walter (via speakerphone), Mary Norris, Rod Rich and Frank Mathews.

Absent:None.

Also Present: Ken Leask – ARSCE, Robert Sugden – ARSCE / RCLEA, Walt North – ARSCE, Bill Farrell - ARSCE, Gwen Jensen – ARSCE, Bill Gilmore, Roger Howeler, Ronda Iriate – Retirement System, Carlton Seu – Law Department, Alan Smith – Fenwick & West, Mike Monaco – Song Mondress, Cecelia M. Carter and Mel Robertson.

Frank Mathews served as chair until the arrival of Jean Godden.

Public Comment: None.

The Board agreed to begin the meeting with New Business item #2, a Report on Experience Study. Jean Godden joined the meeting at 9:03 a.m. and assumed the position of Chair.

Minutes:

Upon motion by Dwight Dively, seconded by Rod Rich, the Retirement Board approved the minutes from the April 2, 2008 Retirement Board meeting.

Ratification of Retired Payroll, Office Payroll, Other Payments and Withdrawals:

Information: The following items represent normal expenses and nothing extraordinary.

Service	\$ 7,550,016.91
Beneficiary	857,373.07
Disability	74,113.84
	\$ 8,481,503.82
Pension Payroll – April 2008	\$ 8,481,503.82
Office Payroll - pay period ending April 1, 2008	\$ 27,938.08
Office Payroll - pay period ending April 15, 2008	\$ 27,264.22
Vouchers Processed – from March 27, 2008 through April 29, 2008	\$ 516,242.05 *
* \$ 433,969.49 Expert and Consultant Services	

Immediate Withdrawal of Contributions:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Position</u>
Bollinger, Daniel C	DPD	Bldg Plans Examiner
Boyer, Allison Jane	Parks	Lifeguard
Brown, Rachael M	City Light	Recruiter
Brugman, David A	DOIT	Video Spec I
Chase, Brian J	City Light	Lineman
Colin, Tricia A	Police	Admin Spec III
Doyen, Douglas V	Seattle Center	Stage Tech
Elliott, Robert D	Seattle Center	Truck Driver
Esparza Jr, Elbert H	DPD	Land Use Planner II

Fleig,Scott C	City Light	Mgmt Systems Analyst Sr
Guilao,Roy Maspiong	City Light	Lineworker
Hicks,Isreal	ESD	Metal Fabricator
Kedward,Nancy Jane	City Light	Admin Spec II
Lee,Hyunah J	City Light	Personnel Specialist Assistant
Lightner,John Russell	Fleets	Mechanic
Madden,Mary E	Muni Court	Court Operation Supervisor
Marshall,Caroline L	Parks	Lifeguard Sr
McKenna,William B	Police	Systems Analyst
Monteverde,Nilla	Seattle Center	Janitor
Nakanishi,Audrey	Muni Court	Admin Staff Analyst
Schlonga,Colleen R	SPU	Public Relations Spec Sr
Sealy,Thomas J	Fleets	Mechanic
Stetson,Tawni R	DEA	Contract Analyst
Tan,Ming M	Library	Page
Teo,Mark A	Personnel	IT Analyst
Tuipulotu, Asinate	Seattle Center	Laborer
Washington Jr,Jerry D	Library	Security Officer
West, Virginia L	Library	Admin Spec
Yunker,J Marin	Library	Librarian

Upon motion by Dwight Dively, seconded by Mary Norris, the Board ratified the Retired Payroll, Office Payroll, other Payments and Withdrawals, as amended.

Ratification of Service Retirements:

Information: The following list represents the retirements that have been processed since the last Retirement Board meeting.

<u>Member</u>	<u>Retired</u>	<u>Years</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Option</u>
Allen, Rex M	4/2/2008	23	53	SDOT	Civil Engr Sr	56	S,G-100
Anderson, Harold S	4/2/2008	6	358	ESD/Dual	Property Rehab Spec	57	D
Carle, Deborah C	4/2/2008	30	103	Police	Dispatcher II	57	S
Carlson, Katsuko	4/2/2008	21	360	Library	Library Assoc III	69	A,G-50
Dela Cruz, Augusto	4/2/2008	22	363	SPU	Civil Eng Spec Asst III	69	D,G-50
Fetty, Vivian L	4/2/2008	20	15	Library	Librarian	62	C5
Flynn, Mary L	4/2/2008	29	329	City Light	Elect Service Rep Sr	55	D,G-50
Gordon Jr, Robert W	4/2/2008	31	211	City Light	Lineworker	63	E
Homer, Mark B	4/2/2008	29	75	City Light	Cablesplicer Helper	59	E
Houlihan, Patrick T	3/7/2008	5	8	DCLU	Elevator Inspector Sr	66	S
Karabach, Lesley A	4/2/2008	26	118	City Light	Cablesplicer	54	B,F
Lamb, Michael M	4/2/2008	8	183	SPU	Truck Driver Heavy	63	E,G-100
Myers, James A	4/2/2008	27	188	City Light	Cablesplicer-CC	53	E,F,G-50
Nardone, Gail A	4/2/2008	25	121	SDOT	IT Programmer Analyst	61	D
Roth, Richard H	3/19/2008	11	19	Law	Admin Staff Analyst	71	E
Ruen, Gary H	4/2/2008	18	323	Fleets	Plumber Crew Chief	63	E
Sampson, Mary A	4/2/2008	15	84	DEA	Admin Staff Analyst	59	S,G-100
Sanabria,Cristina	3/14/2008	34	56	Personnel	Personnel Analyst	56	D
Santos, Thelma A	3/16/2008	31	143	K.C. Health	Fiscal Specialist III	59	B

Upon motion by Dwight Dively, seconded by Frank Mathews, the Retirement Board approved the service retirements listed above, pending final review.

Last month 108 new members entered the System, 19 retired and 34 others terminated City employment.

Ratification of Investment Transactions and Statement of Securities and Cash:

Mel reviewed the funding ratio along with monthly and year-to-date performance numbers on the Investment Summary report for March 2008. Mel also highlighted items in the Investment Summary report and commented on likely investment results in April.

Upon motion by Dwight Dively, seconded by Frank Mathews, the Retirement Board accepted the Investment Summary report.

Investment Committee Report:

The Investment Committee and Advisory Committee are scheduled to meet at noon on Thursday, May 29, 2008 in the Retirement Office.

Cecelia reported on the Committee meeting that was held April 24, 2008. The Committee discussed the Sudan divestment request and reviewed a proposed resolution. The Committee decided to table the resolution until further notice. The Committee did agree that a special board education session would be beneficial to discuss divesting from the Sudan, as well as other social issues that could come before the Board.

Mel presented the Investment Committee recommendation to hire Pension Consulting Alliance to work with the committees and the Board on a 5-year planning / strategic review project.

Upon motion by Dwight Dively, seconded by Frank Mathews, the Retirement Board approved the Investment Committee recommendation to hire Pension Consulting Alliance to assist with a 5-year planning / strategic review project.

Cecelia presented the Investment Committee recommendation to appoint Professor Russell Powell to a three-year term on the Advisory Committee.

Upon motion by Dwight Dively, seconded by Mary Norris, the Retirement Board voted to appoint Professor Russell Powell to a three-year term on the Advisory Committee.

Mel presented a request from Smith Wilely that the Board consider certain amendments to the limited partnership agreement. The Board briefly discussed the request.

Upon motion by Dwight Dively, seconded by Rod Rich, the Retirement Board voted to table the request.

Mel mentioned that Bison Capital has made a similar request regarding amendments to the limited partnership agreement. The Board took no action.

Executive Director Report:

Cecelia reported that staff has responded to Mr. Kelly, who read a letter at the April Board meeting.

Old Business:

(1) Status of Benefit Enhancements

The estimated current funding level of the Retirement Fund is 86.16% as of March 31, 2008.

(2) Investment Policy Project

This item is to be continued.

(3) Sudan Divestment Request

Cecelia told the Board that the Investment Committee believes that a special board education session would be beneficial to discuss divesting from the Sudan, as well as other social issues that could come before the Board.

New Business:

(1) Election Results

Mary Norris was uncontested in the recent election process for the Retired seat on the Board.

Upon motion by Dwight Dively, seconded by Frank Mathews, the Retirement Board declared Mary Norris the winner of the election for another 3-year term beginning July 1, 2008.

The Board and members from the audience congratulated Mary.

(2) Nick Collier (Actuary) – Milliman – Report on Experience Study

Nick Collier presented the results of the experience study for 2003 through 2006. The Board asked questions and discussed the report. A copy of which can be found on-line on the SCERS website.

Upon motion by Dwight Dively, seconded by Mary Norris, the Retirement Board voted to accept the experience study as of January 1, 2007.

(3) Executive Session to Discuss a Potential Investment Opportunity

The Board entered closed session at 10:10 a.m. to discuss a potential investment opportunity.

The Board returned to open session at 10:30 a.m. No actions were taken during closed session.

(4) Executive Session to Discuss a Legal Matter

The Board entered closed session at 10:34 a.m. to discuss a legal matter.

The Board returned to open session at 10:48 a.m. No actions were taken during closed session.

Adjournment

Upon motion by Dwight Dively, seconded by Rod Rich, the Retirement Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:49 a.m.

Mark McDermott, Secretary