

Meeting of the Retirement Plan for CTA Employees
Board of Trustees
December 21, 2021
VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

Regular Session
Meeting Minutes

The Board of Trustees of the Retirement Plan for Chicago Transit Authority Employees, by way of Microsoft Teams and telephone conference calls, and in compliance with the Illinois COVID-19 Executive Order, convened on December 21, 2021 at the hour of 9:36 a.m., and adjourned at 11:06 a.m. for Executive Session. The meeting resumed at 12:55 p.m. and adjourned at 1:00 p.m. There was an Executive Session.

At the direction of the Chairman, a roll call was taken and established that the following Trustees were participating. Mr. Kallianis reported that a quorum was present.

Mr. Tom McKone, Chairman
Mr. Keith Hill, Vice-Chairman
Mr. Michael Bowen
Ms. Toi Bowers
Mr. John Burkard
Mr. Joseph Burke (joined the meeting in progress)
Mr. Eric Dixon
Mr. Woodrow Eiland (joined the meeting in progress)
Mr. Jeremy Fine
Ms. April Morgan
Mr. Paul Sidrys
Mr. Marquel Williams (for Woodrow Eiland)

John Kallianis participated as the Executive Director. Richard W. Burke of Burke, Warren, MacKay & Serritella, P.C. participated as General Counsel. Participating on behalf of CTA Trustees was Jeff Bora. Participating on behalf of the ATU 241 Trustees was Ron Willis of Dowd, Bloch, Bennett, & Cervone. Participating on behalf of the ATU Local 308 Trustee was Anita Tanay. Participating on behalf of the RTA Trustee was Dan Salemi of Morgan Lewis & Bockius. Also participating was Kweku Obed of Marquette Associates.

Consideration of Minutes from prior Meetings

The Chairman called for consideration of the minutes of the November 23, 2021 meeting. Mr. Hill made a motion to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Ms. Bowers. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed on the vote of 8 yeases and 2 absentations, namely Messers. Bowen and Burkard.

Investment Committee

The Chairman called for the report of the Investment Committee which was given by Mr. Obed. Mr. Joseph Burke joined the meeting during the report by Mr. Obed. Mr. Obed stated that the market value of the investments, as of December 20, 2021, was \$2,080,602,833.02 and of that amount \$7.6 million was in cash. Mr. Obed spoke of the market environment for the month of December and then reviewed the performance of the Plan's portfolio.

Mr. Sidrys gave a report on the investment committee meeting which occurred earlier in December 2021. He mentioned that the Trustees at the Committee meeting had a good overview presentation in regard to Crescent. Crescent is a subset of the public equity space. He mentioned that Crescent is currently fundraising for fund VIII. The Plan is presently invested in Fund VII. The investment advisor is looking to reallocate funds to Crescent. It is looking to recommend a new commitment of \$38 million to Crescent Fund VIII. Mr. Obed commented that one of the reasons it is looking at Crescent is its role in the DEI environment and that he would hope to encourage them to go even further in regard to the DEI role in the selection of investments. The Chairman stated he was anxious that the Plan attempt to get commitments from Crescent in regard to increasing its role in the DEI area, because the Plan was committed to a further enhancement of DEI participation insofar as investor selection. Mr. Kallianis suggested there be an investment committee meeting during January to which Crescent would be invited. At that meeting the Trustees will have the opportunity to inquire of Crescent of its expanding role in regard to its DEI standards. Mr. Sidrys commented that he hoped the Trustees would be in a position to make a decision on Fund VIII at the January meeting in order not to lose any opportunities in the investment.

Summary of Litigation

Mr. Richard Burke reported that the summary of litigation was contained in the written report before the Trustees. Mr. Burke stated there was a need for Executive Session today and that in the Executive Session there would be a report on the impact of the Judge's ruling on the Motions for Summary Judgment in the Williams case.

General Administration

Mr. Dixon gave the report of General Administration Committee. Mr. Eiland made a motion to approve Items 6a through 6j on the agenda, which was seconded by Mr. Joseph Burke. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed on a vote of 11 yeses and 0 nos.

Old Business

Ms. Morgan gave the report of the Payroll Audit Committee which met on December 14, 2021. The Committee voted to adopt a uniform approach to the collection and distribution of contributions prior to the start of the next payroll audit. Ms. Bowers stated that as the financial secretary of Local 241 she does not agree with the Local having to pay any unallocated or unpaid contributions.

New Business

Mr. Kallianis circulated to the Trustees the 2022 proposed budget for consideration at the January Trustees' meeting. He stated that the budget has three large variables, the Williams case, the specific benefits for the Agreed Upon Procedures Audit by Mitchel and Titus, and the commercial insurance proposal from Alliant.

The Chairman directed the Trustees' attention to the request of Burke, Warren, MacKay & Serritella that its hourly fee charge be increased by 5% effective January 1, 2022. A motion agreeing to the request was made by Mr. Sidrys, which was seconded by Mr. Burke. The motion passed on a vote of 11 yeses and 0 nos.

Mr. McKone made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session, which was seconded by Mr. Burke. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed on a vote of 11 yeses and 0 nos.

The meeting adjourned to Executive Session at 11:06 a.m.

The regular session resumed at 12: 55 p.m.

Mr. McKone made a motion to pursue the approach in the Williams case recommended by counsel, in light of, the ruling on the motions for summary judgment, which was seconded by Mr. Hill. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed on a vote of 11 yeses and 0 nos.

Mr. McKone made a motion to pursue the civil actions recommended by counsel, which was seconded by Ms. Morgan. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed on a vote of 10 yeses and 1 absentation, namely Mr. Dixon.

Mr. McKone then made a motion that as to the personnel issues discussed in Ms. Church's report, the Committee appointed to investigate personnel issues meet prior to the next meeting of the Board of Trustees, which was seconded by Ms. Morgan. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed with 11 yeses and 0 nos.

Mr. Hill made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Mr. Burkard. A roll call vote was taken. The motion passed on a vote of 11 yeses and 0 nos.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.