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MINUTES

Investment Committee

February 22, 2024

A meeting of the Investment Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois (TRS) was held on February 22, 2024 at NIU Naperville, 1120 E. Diehl Rd., Naperville, IL. Trustee David Miller (Chair) called the meeting to order at 10:47 AM. Roll call attendance was taken with the following committee members present: Trustee Beth Anderson, Trustee Kevin "Duffy" Blackburn, Trustee Joe Blomquist (arrived at 10:48 AM), Trustee Marsha Byas, Trustee Mike Goetz, Trustee Andy Hirshman, Trustee Matt Hunt, Trustee Mia Jazo-Harris, Trustee Maureen Mena (arrived at 10:49 AM), Trustee David Miller, Trustee Fred Peronto (Vice Chair), Trustee Larry Pfeiffer, Trustee Tony Sanders, and Trustee Doug Strand. A quorum was present.

Others in attendance: Stan Rupnik, Executive Director & CIO; Sally Antonacci, Executive Officer; Chelsea Duis, Executive Administrator; Deron Bertolo, Chief Financial Officer; Gloria Lasley, Chief Operating Officer; Emily Peterson, General Counsel; Cynthia Fain, Senior Legal Counsel; Michelle Kissel, Director of Human Resources; Lori Dour, Chief Benefits Officer; Stacy Smith, Director of Internal Audit and Risk; John Gerding, Director of Information Technology; Janelle Gurnsey, Director of Public Relations; Ghiané Jones, Deputy Chief Investment Officer; Jenna Guymon, Human Resources Business Partner; Claire Kramer, Organizational Effectiveness Specialist; Kyle Thornton, Network Administrator; Will Daugherty, Senior Technical Support Specialist; Becky Gratsinger and Tony Johnson of RVK, Inc. (Investment Consultant); and Jessica Culotti of Reinhart Boerner Van Deuren (Fiduciary Counsel).

Remote attendees: Jose Gonzalez, Senior Investment Officer – Diverse and Emerging Managers.

Visitors: Elston Flowers, IEA-Retired; Rob Kozlowski, Pensions & Investments; Angela Myers, Loop Capital Markets; Jordan Ash, Private Equity Stakeholder Project; Elliott Mallen, Unite Here Local 1; and Jordan Fein, Ricardo Blanco, and Fernando Perez, Unite Here Local 11.

Public Comment

Jordan Ash of Private Equity Stakeholder Project provided comments related to assets managed by Blackstone.

Minutes

A draft of the December 12, 2023 minutes of the Investment Committee meeting was sent to the committee members for review. On a motion by Trustee Hunt, seconded by Trustee Goetz, the minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote. Documentation is on file.

Investment Portfolio Summary

Stan Rupnik, Executive Director & CIO, provided the final December 31, 2023 investment manager charts. Documentation is on file.

Cash Flow Report

Stan Rupnik provided a cash flow summary to fund the System’s cash requirements. Documentation is on file.

Investment Activity Report

Stan Rupnik provided an overview of investment activity by asset class completed by the System’s investment staff from November 18, 2023 through January 31, 2024. Documentation is on file.

Investment Risk Report

Ghiané Jones, Deputy Chief Investment Officer, provided an overview of the December 2023 investment risk report. Documentation is on file.

Investment Performance & Pension Trends

Becky Gratsinger and Tony Johnson of RVK, Inc. provided an overview of the final December 31, 2023 investment performance report, including trending pension topics, with interest rates and real estate trends addressed, and capital market assumptions. Documentation is on file. The total fund return, net of fees:

Fiscal year to date:	3.82%
3 year:	7.17%
5 year:	8.54%
10 year:	7.08%
20 year:	7.03%

Ghiané Jones presented the trailing performance for the Global Income Strategies, Public Equity, and Diversifying Strategies asset classes.

Diversity Report

Jose Gonzalez, Senior Investment Officer – Diverse & Emerging Managers, provided preliminary data as of December 31, 2023, on the utilization of minority-owned brokers and minority-owned investment managers within the TRS investment portfolio. TRS exceeded its brokerage goals by 28.4% for U.S. equity, 14.6% for global fixed income, and 2.2% for international equity. As of December 31, 2023, MWBE assets as a percent of total plan were 30.18%, which is 8.18% over the TRS fiscal year 2024 utilization goal of 22.0%. Documentation is on file.

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The meeting recessed at 12:14 PM and resumed at 12:30 PM.

Asset Allocation and Risk Profile

Ghiané Jones, Becky Gratsinger, and Tony Johnson provided a review of Capital Market Assumptions in anticipation of the Asset Allocation Study to be conducted in 2024. Documentation is on file.

Investment Education

Becky Gratsinger and Tony Johnson provided education regarding asset/liability studies. Documentation is on file.

Trustee Concerns

None.

Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Investment Committee, a motion was made by Trustee Anderson, seconded by Trustee Blackburn, to adjourn the meeting at 1:28 PM. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.



Stan Rupnik, Executive Director & Chief Investment Officer

Approved: 06/17/2024