

APPROVED

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF INVESTMENTS

LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

300 N. LAKE AVENUE, SUITE 810, PASADENA, CA 91101

9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 08, 2023

This meeting was conducted by the Board of Investments as hybrid meeting both in person and by teleconference under California Government Code Section 54953(e).

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Gina Sanchez, Chair (Teleconference)

Herman Santos, Vice Chair (In-Person)

Keith Knox, Ex-Officio Trustee (In-Person)

David Green (Teleconference)

Jason Green (Teleconference)

Elizabeth Greenwood (Teleconference)

Onyx Jones (In-Person)

Patrick Jones (In-Person)

TRUSTEES ABSENT

Joseph Kelly

STAFF ADVISORS AND PARTICIPANTS

Jonathan Grabel, Chief Investment Officer

Steven P. Rice, Chief Counsel

Luis Lugo, Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Christine Roseland, Senior Staff Counsel

STAFF ADVISORS AND PARTICIPANTS (Continued)

Ted Granger, Interim Chief Financial Officer

Jude Pérez, Principal Investment Officer

James Rice, Principal Investment Officer

Esmeralda Del Bosque, Acting Principal Investment Officer

Amit Aggarwal, Investment Officer

Mike Romero, Senior Investment Analyst

John Kim, Investment Officer

Terra Elijah, Senior Investment Analyst

Carly Ntoya, Human Resources Director

Richard P. Bendall, Chief Audit Executive

Christina Logan, Principal Internal Auditor

Meketa Investment Group (General Investment Consultants)

Aysun Kilic, Managing Principal

Tim Filla, Managing Principal

StepStone Group LP (Real Assets Consultants)

Tom Hester, Partner

James Maina, Vice President

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sanchez at 9:00 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 11, 2023

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Continued)

A motion was made by Trustee David Green, seconded by Trustee Jason Green, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 11, 2023.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Knox, Green, Santos, J. Green, Greenwood, P. Jones, O. Jones, Sanchez

No: None

Absent: Kelly

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no requests from the public to speak.

IV. EXECUTIVE UPDATE

A. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Mr. Lugo provided a brief presentation on the Chief Executive Officer's Report and answered questions from the Board.

B. Chief Investment Officer's Report

Mr. Grabel provided a brief presentation on the Chief Investment Officer's Report and answered questions from the Board.

V. CONSENT ITEMS

A. **Approval of the Use of Teleconference Meeting**

Recommendation as submitted by Steven P. Rice, Chief Counsel: That, under AB 361 and Government Code Section 54953(e)(3) of the Brown Act, the Board of Retirement and Board of Investments separately consider whether to find that the Governor's COVID-19 State of Emergency continues to directly impact the ability of each Board and its Committees to meet safely in person and that other public agencies still recommend social distancing such that each Board and its Committees shall hold teleconference meetings for the next 30 days as part of hybrid meetings also in person, so long as the State of Emergency remains in effect, and direct staff to comply with

V. CONSENT ITEMS (Continued)

the agenda and public comment requirements of Section 54953(e)(3). Action taken by each Board will only apply to that Board and its Committees. (Memo dated January 23, 2023)

B. **Approval of AB 2449 Teleconference Policy**

Recommendation as submitted by Steven P. Rice, Chief Counsel: That the Board approve the proposed AB 2449 Teleconference Policy. (Memo dated January 23, 2023)

A motion was made by Trustee Knox, seconded by Trustee Santos, to approve Consent Items V.A. and V.B. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Knox, D. Green, Santos, J. Green, P. Jones, O. Jones, Sanchez

No: None

Absent: Greenwood, Kelly

VI. EXCLUDED FROM CONSENT ITEMS

VII. NON-CONSENT ITEMS

A. **OPEB Master Trust Public Markets Passive Investment Management Services Request for Proposal – Search Criteria**

Recommendation as submitted by Jude Pérez, Principal Investment Officer, Esmeralda Del Bosque, Acting Principal Investment Officer, John Kim, Investment Officer and Terra Elijah, Senior Investment Analyst: That Board Approve the proposed search criteria for an OPEB Master Trust (“OPEB”) public markets passive investment management services Request for Proposal (“RFP”). (Memo dated February 1, 2023)

Messrs. Pérez, Kim, and Mses. del Bosque and Elijah provided a presentation and answered questions from the Board.

A motion was made by Trustee Knox, seconded by Trustee P. Jones, to approve staff recommendation. The motion passed by the following roll call vote.

VII. NON-CONSENT ITEMS (Continued)

Yes: Knox, D. Green, Santos, J. Green, Greenwood, P. Jones, O. Jones, Sanchez

No: None

Absent: Kelly

B. **LACERA 2023 Election for Second and Eighth Members:**

Statement of Powers and Duties of Investments Board Trustees

Recommendation as submitted by Steven. P. Rice: That the Board approve the attached document entitled "Powers and Duties of Investments Board Trustees," which will be included with the ballot materials for the 2023 election of the Second and Eighth Members of the Board of Investments and posted on lacera.com. (Memo dated January 23, 2023)

Mr. Steven P. Rice was present and answered questions from the Board.

A motion was made by Trustee Santos, seconded by Trustee D. Green, to approve staff recommendation with Trustee suggested changes. The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Knox, D. Green, Santos, J. Green, Greenwood, P. Jones, O. Jones, Sanchez

No: None

Absent: Kelly

VIII. REPORTS

A. **2023 General Member, Retired Member, and Retired Alternate**

Trustee Election Update

JJ Popowich, Assistant Executive Officer

(Verbal Update) (Memo dated January 24, 2023)

This item was received and filed.

VIII. REPORTS (Continued)

B. **Board Officers: Revised Slate for 2023 Calendar Year (Chair & Secretary)**

Santos H. Kreimann, Chief Executive Officer
(For Information Only) (Memo dated January 23, 2023)

This item was received and filed.

C. **Semi-Annual Interest Crediting for Reserves as of December 31, 2022 (UNAUDITED)**

Ted Granger, Interim Chief Financial Officer
(For Information Only) (Memo dated January 25, 2023)

Mr. Granger was present and answered questions from the Board.

This item was received and filed.

D. **Cost-of-Living Adjustments Effective April 1, 2023**

Ted Granger, Interim Chief Financial Officer
(For Information Only) (Memo dated January 24, 2023)

This item was received and filed.

E. **Legal Projects**

Christine Roseland, Senior Staff Counsel
(For Information Only) (Memo dated January 31, 2023)

This item was received and filed.

F. **Trustee Travel & Education Reports – December 2022**

Ted Granger, Interim Chief Financial Officer
(For Information Only)
Monthly Trustee Travel & Education Report – December 2022 (Memo dated January 19, 2023)
Comprehensive Monthly Trustee Travel & Education Report – December 2022 (Confidential memo dated January 19, 2023 – Includes Pending Travel)

This item was received and filed.

VIII. REPORTS (Continued)

G. **January 2023 Fiduciary Counsel Contact and Billing Report**

Steven P. Rice, Chief Counsel

(For Information Only) (Memo dated January 23, 2023)

(Privileged and Confidential/Attorney-Client Communication/Attorney Work Product)

This item was received and filed.

IX. ITEMS FOR STAFF REVIEW

There were no Items for Staff Review.

X. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

There was nothing to report.

XI. GOOD OF THE ORDER

(For Information Purposes Only)

The Board and Staff thanked Ms. Greenwood for her service on the Board of Investments.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Conference with Staff and Legal Counsel to Consider the Purchase or Sale of Particular, Specific Pension Fund Investments
(Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54956.81)

1. **Clarion Lion Property Fund**

James Rice, Principal Investment Officer

Amit Aggarwal, Investment Officer

Mike Romero, Senior Investment Analyst

(Memo dated January 22, 2023)

Messrs. J. Rice, Aggarwal, Romero, and Mr. Maina of StepStone Group provide a presentation and answered questions from the Board.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION (Continued)

Trustee Santos made a motion, seconded by Trustee Knox, to approve a commitment of up to \$600 million to Lion Properties Fund (which is the correct name), an open-end core real estate fund focusing on investments in industrial, multifamily, office, and retail and in the life sciences sector in the United States.

Yes: D. Green, J. Green, P. Jones, Knox, Santos, Greenwood, O. Jones, Sanchez

No: None

Absent: Kelly

- B. Conference with Legal Counsel—Anticipated Litigation Significant Exposure to Litigation (Pursuant to Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (d) of California Government Code Section 54956.9)

1. One Matter

There was nothing to report.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Signature on File

JOSEPH KELLY, SECRETARY

Signature on File

GINA SANCHEZ, CHAIR