# Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System Management Committee Meeting Thursday, November 16, 2023

The Management Committee of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System met on Thursday, November 16, 2023, in the fourth floor Board Room of the Retirement Systems Building, located at 8401 United Plaza Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Judge William Kleinpeter, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:48 p.m. Roll was called by Ms. Beth Labello, recording secretary.

Members present: Mr. Thomas Bickham, Ms. Virginia Burton, Mr. Charles

Castille, Mr. Byron Decoteau, Ms. Ternisa Hutchinson, Judge William Kleinpeter, Ms. Amy Mathews, Mr. John Broussard (designee of the Treasurer), and Ms. Shannon

Templet

Members absent: Commissioner Jay Dardenne, Ms. Barbara McManus,

Senator Barrow Peacock, and Representative Barry Ivey

Staff present: Trey Boudreaux, Executive Director; Mr. Bobby Beale,

Chief Investment Officer; Mr. Artie Fillastre, Chief Fiscal Officer; Ms. Mallory Sharp, Public Information Director; Ms. Tricia Gibbons, Retirement Benefits Administrator; Mr. Ryan Babin, Audit Director; Mr. Steve Stark, Deputy General Counsel; Ms. Morgan Robertson, Attorney; Ms. Megan Jones, Retirement Benefits Supervisor; Ms. Amanda Celestine, Policy Planner; Ms. Ginna Aker, Retirement Benefits Supervisor; Mr. Logan Davis, IT Technical Support Analyst; Mr. Jonathan Lyle, IT Infosec

Analyst; and Ms. Beth Labello, recording secretary

Also present: Ms. Shelley Johnson, Foster & Foster, and Mr. Joey David,

Legislative Analyst

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A quorum was announced present, and the meeting opened for business.

## **Public Comment**

Judge Kleinpeter called for public comment. No public comments were made.

## **Regular Business**

Judge Kleinpeter called for approval of the October 26, 2023, Management Committee minutes. Mr. Bickham moved, seconded by Ms. Templet, to approve the minutes. With no objection or discussion, the motion carried. Judge Kleinpeter called for a motion to go into Executive Session. Mr. Bickham moved, seconded by Ms. Mathews, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the November 2023 Disability Retirement Report. With no objection or discussion, the motion carried.

Mr. Bickham moved, seconded by Ms. Templet, to return to Regular Session. With no objection or discussion, the motion carried.

Mr. Bickham moved, seconded by Ms. Mathews, to recommend the Board approve the November 2023 Disability Retirement Report. With no objection or discussion, the motion carried.

In the Executive Counsel's report, Mr. Stark, on behalf of Ms. Grant, stated that there was a motion to dismiss the hearing for the Ralph Slaughter lawsuit. After allowing Dr. Slaughter an additional forty-five days to properly serve the individuals pertaining to the lawsuit, the case was dismissed.

# **New Business**

Mr. Boudreaux distributed instructions on how to access the Board self-evaluation. A link to the evaluation will be emailed to the Trustees. He stated that the evaluation is due by December 1, 2023, to Ms. Templet through Survey Monkey. A hard copy is also available to be mailed to the Trustees upon request.

Mr. Fillastre presented a member's request to have their disability retirement benefit reinstated. Ms. Templet moved, seconded by Ms. Burton, to recommend the Board reinstate the member's disability retirement as presented. With no objection or discussion, the motion carried.

Mr. Boudreaux, on behalf of Mr. McIlwain, reviewed the Chief of Staff's comments. He stated that the LASERS cybersecurity insurance premium did not increase significantly; therefore, the policy was renewed.

Mr. Boudreaux reviewed the Executive Director's comments.

#### Other Business

There was no other business to discuss.

# **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:03 p.m.