## MINUTES OF THE INVESTMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2021

#### MEETING NO. 495

**Members present:** D. Ellen Shuman, Chair

Treasurer Wooden, Secretary

Thomas Fiore, representing Secretary Melissa McCaw

\*10:41am departure Joshua Hall

Michael Knight Michael LeClair William Murray Patrick Sampson

**Members absent:** Steven Muench

Others present: Steven Meier, Interim Chief Investment Officer

Kevin Cullinan, Chief Risk Officer Patricia DeMaras, Legal Counsel

Mark Evans, Principal Investment Officer Lyndsey Farris, Principal Investment Officer

Karen Grenon, Legal Counsel Darrell Hill, Deputy Treasurer Harvey Kelly, Pension Fund Analyst Peter Gajowiak, Senior Investment Officer Felicia Genca, Pension Fund Analyst

Raynald Leveque, Deputy Chief Investment Officer

Paul Osinloye, Principal Investment Officer Veronica Sanders, Executive Secretary

Christine Shaw, Assistant Treasurer for Corporate Governance &

Sustainable Investment

Michael Terry, Principal Investment Officer

Olivia Wall, Investment Officer

Guests: Greg Balewicz, Lord Abbett

Mary Mustard, Meketa Investment Group

Liz Smith, AllianceBernstein

Peter Woolley, Meketa Investment Group

Public Line

With a quorum present, Chair D. Ellen Shuman called the Investment Advisory Council ("IAC") meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

#### Approval of Minutes of the July 14, 2021 IAC Meeting

Chair Shuman called for a motion to accept the minutes of the July 14, 2021 IAC Meeting. William Murray moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Michael LeClair. There was one abstention from Patrick Sampson. There being no further discussion, the Chair called for a vote and the motion passed.

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#### **Comments by the Treasurer**

Treasurer Wooden welcomed IAC members and began by thanking Interim Chief Investment Officer ("CIO") Steven Meier for his hard work and diligence through one of the most challenging economic climates the State has ever faced. He stated that this was Mr. Meier's last IAC and announced Edward "Ted" Wright of Los Angeles County Employees Retirement Association ("LACERA") was selected as the next CIO and would start on Monday, August 23rd.

Treasurer Wooden gave a brief overview of the agenda and thanked the members for joining the meeting.

### <u>Update on the Market and the Connecticut Retirement Plans and Trust Funds Performance</u>

Mr. Meier, Interim CIO, provided an update on the Connecticut Retirement Plans and Trust Fund's performance and commented on the capital market environment and the economic outlook.

#### **Cash Flow Analysis**

Raynald Leveque, Deputy CIO and Peter Gajowiak, Senior Investment Officer, presented the Cash Flow Report projections for Fiscal Year 2021 and provide an update on actual cash flows for Fiscal Year 2020.

#### **Peer Performance Review Analysis**

Mary Mustard and Peter Wooley of Meketa Investment Group presented a public pension plan peer performance review analysis.

#### **Executive Session**

Chair Shuman asked for a motion to move into Executive Session. A motion was made by Thomas Fiore, seconded by Mr. Murray that the Investment Advisory Council enter into Executive Session to consider personnel matters and discuss a potential contractual matter at 10:42 a.m. The motion passed unanimously. Darrell Hill, Deputy Treasurer; Steven Meier, Interim CIO; and Mark Evans, Principal Investment Officer; were invited to attend the Executive Session.

Chair Shuman reconvened the regular session at 11:10 a.m. Chair Shuman noted that no substantive votes or actions were taken during the Executive Session.

#### Consent to the Waive the 45-day Comment Period for the Potential Contractual Matter

Chair Shuman asked for a motion to waive the 45-day comment period for the potential contractual matter. A motion was made by Mr. Sampson, seconded by Mr. Murray to waive the 45-day comment period for the potential contractual matter. The motion passed.

### **Vote to approve the Revised Relocation Policy**

Chair Shuman called for a motion to approve the revised relocation policy. A motion was made by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mr. Sampson, to approve the revised relocation policy. There being no further discussion, Chair Shuman called for a vote and the motion passed.

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### **Other Business**

Chair Shuman invited the council members to submit agenda items for the next meeting being held on September 8, 2021.

#### **Comments by the Chair**

There being no further business, Chair Shuman called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Treasurer Wooden moved to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Mr. Fiore. There being no discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

SHAWN T. WOODEN

**SECRETARY** 

Reviewed by,

ELLEN SHUMAN CHAIR

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