

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
DES PLAINES POLICE PENSION FUND**

June 8, 2021

A regular meeting of the Des Plaines Police Pension Board was held on Tuesday, June 8, 2021 at 9:00 AM, pursuant to proper notice, to conduct regular business of the Pension Board. The meeting was held at City Hall, Room 101, 1420 Miner Street, Des Plaines, Illinois.

CALL TO ORDER: President Chiaro called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Also present were Investment Consultant Thomas McShane (appearing by teleconference for the duration of his presentation), Finance Director Dorothy Wisniewski (appearing at 9:51 AM) and Board Attorney Laura J. Goodloe.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:

The Pension Board reviewed the minutes of its April 13, 2021 regular meeting. A motion was made by Trustee Neil and seconded by Trustee Ruzicka to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS: Tabled until next meeting.

BOARD'S ATTORNEY REPORT:

Legal Update/Review of new court decisions. Board Counsel provided an update as to new and pending legislation, new caselaw and the status of the consolidation litigation.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Certify Election Results. The Pension Office advised the Board that the election for the one available active member position was held. Two individuals ran for the position. Ben Ruzicka received the highest number of votes, totaling 26. He therefore won the election and shall be seated as an active member trustee for the remainder of his two-year term. Upon review Trustee Chiaro made a motion to certify the election results. Trustee Mierzwa seconded the motion and the motion carried by roll call vote.

AYE: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.

NAY: None.

ABSENT: None.

Election of Board Positions. Upon discussion Trustee Neil made a motion to appoint Nicholas Chiaro as Board President, Ben Ruzicka as Board Vice President, himself as Secretary and Chris Mierzwa as Assistant Secretary. Trustee Mierzwa seconded the motion and the motion carried by roll call vote.

AYE: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.
NAY: None.
ABSENT: None.

Approval of Lauterbach & Amen Balance Sheets for March and April 2021. The Pension Board reviewed Lauterbach & Amen balance sheets for March and April 2021. Trustee Mierzwa made a motion to approve the March and April 2021 balance sheets and Trustee Neil seconded that motion. The motion carried by roll call vote.

AYE: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.
NAY: None.
ABSENT: None.

Passing of Retired Officer Thomas Richard / Approval of Spousal Application from Margaret Richard. Pensioner Thomas Richard passed away on April 18, 2021. Mr. Richard entered service on 4/12/73 and retired on disability 08/12/92. He accumulated 19 years of service and retired on disability with an original annual pension in the amount of \$28,586.40. On the date of death Mr. Richard's total monthly pension benefit equaled \$52,599.48. In accordance with 40 ILCS 5/3-112, Mr. Richard's retirement pension shall convert into a surviving spouse's pension for Ms. Margaret Richard. Ms. Richard shall be entitled to an annual survivor's pension equaling \$52,599.48. This pension shall be effective April 19, 2021. This pension shall not be subject to cost of living increase adjustments. Upon review Trustee Chiaro made a motion to grant the conversion of Thomas Richard's retirement pension into a survivor's pension for the benefit of his spouse, Margaret Richard. Trustee Neil seconded the motion and the motion carried by roll call vote.

AYE: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.
NAY: None.
ABSENT: None.

Annual Affidavits Report. All applicable trustees confirmed they have submitted their statement of economic interest to the Cook County. No further action is needed.

Annual IDOI Report Review. Tabled.

Appointment of IPOPIF Authorized Representatives. Upon discussion the Board reached the consensus that Trustee Ruzicka and Trustee Chiaro will be the two authorized IPOPIF representatives. The form will be completed and submitted to IPOPIF.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Pension Board discussed with Consultant McShane the Fund's current positions, asset allocations, investment activity and cash flow.

Review of Fund's Portfolio / Asset Allocation.

Consultant McShane began his presentation with a summary review of recent actions taken as of the Board's last meeting.

The Board and Consultant McShane reviewed and discussed content from the GIC weekly, a S&P 500 Annual Returns and Intra-Year Declines chart and a COVID tracker chart.

He went on to review of the Fund's current asset allocations. As of May 31, 2021 the Fund was overallocated in cash, under allocated in fixed income (partially by design) and over allocated in equities (due to appreciation). Consultant McShane provided a recap as to allocations by asset management class.

In light of the current allocations and market environment, and upon Consultant McShane's recommendation, Trustee Mierzwa made a motion to take 1 million dollars from the American Euro Pacific Fund and place the proceeds with the Weaver Barksdale Intermediate fixed income fund. Trustee Neil seconded the motion and the motion carried by roll call vote.

AYE: President Nicholas Chiaro, Trustee Chris Mierzwa, Trustee Ben Ruzicka, and Trustee Robert Neil.
NAY: None.
ABSENT: None.

As of May 31, 2021 the Fund held approximately 91.23 million dollars in invested assets. With respect to returns, year to date the Fund was up 8.13 versus the 6.73 benchmark. Over the past twelve-month period the Fund was up 28.66 versus the 26.98 benchmark. Since inception the Fund is up 7.35 relative to the 6.90 benchmark.

Consultant McShane reviewed the Fund's returns by asset class and manager performance.

The Fund holds an approximate 54 million dollar unrealized gain (net of fees) and the Fund's overall investment platform has received greater return and taken less risk than the benchmark.

Cash Flow Analysis. No action was necessary.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

CONTINUING EDUCATION:

The Pension Board reviewed its continuing education training status, requirements and training options for 2021.

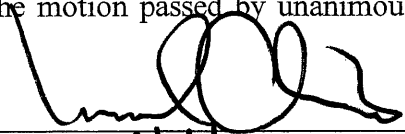
EXECUTIVE SESSION: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Trustee Chiaro to adjourn the meeting at 9:53 AM, and the motion was seconded by Trustee Mierzwa. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 9:53 AM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Date Approved:



06/16/2021

The next regular meeting of the Des Plaines Police Pension Board is scheduled for August 10, 2021 at 9:00 AM.

Minutes Prepared by Board Attorney Laura J. Goodloe, Esq.