

OPEB BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Minutes

July 20, 2017

8:00 AM

Republican Caucus Room, 4<sup>th</sup> FLOOR  
GOVERNMENT CENTER  
888 Washington Boulevard  
Stamford, CT

OPEB Board of Trustees Members in Attendance:

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| David R. Martin                 | Mayor                                     |
| Randall M. Skigen – Chairman    | Board of Representatives Appointee        |
| Michael E. Handler – Vice Chair | Director of Administration                |
| Clemon Williams                 | Director of Human Resources               |
| David Yanik                     | Controller                                |
| Andy George                     | Board of Education designee               |
| Earl Kim                        | Superintendent of Schools                 |
| Hugh Murphy                     | Finance Director, Stamford Public Schools |
| Joseph Caruso                   | CERF Pension Appointee                    |
| Jay Fountain – Secretary        | Fire Pension Appointee                    |
| Michael Noto                    | Police Pension Appointee                  |
| Carl Franzetti                  | Board of Representatives Appointee        |

The meeting of the OPEB Board of Trustees was called to order by Mr. Skigen at 8:04 a.m. A quorum was present. The following materials were distributed in advance: the agenda, minutes of the May 18, 2017 meeting, 4 financial reports, Wells Fargo report, Quarterly Investment Review and Portfolio Reallocation presentation.

**Approval of Minutes** – A motion was made and seconded to approve the May 18, 2017 minutes. **The motion carried 11-0-0.**

**Wells Fargo Report** – Joseph DePalma of Wells Fargo distributed and discussed an Administrative Report of Trust Fund balances for the period ending June 30, 2017. This report did not include Eaton Vance because they report monthly instead of daily but the Board decided to request that Eaton Vance be included in future reports by Wells Fargo and requested that FIA assist with required data. Any other requests to modify future reports should be directed to David Yanik. Mayor Martin entered the meeting.

**Report on Investments of the Funds** – Mark Wetzel, of Fiduciary Investment Advisors, LLC (FIA), discussed performance of the fund and made suggestions for reallocation of the OPEB Trust portfolio when the annual contribution is made in July or early August. He suggested reallocating funds from the global asset allocation managers to fixed income, domestic equity and international equity funds. Since BlackRock has experienced many changes in management recently he suggested reallocating all funds from BlackRock and some funds from GMO to result in new targets outlined in Appendix A of the OPEB Trust Investment Policy Statement revised July 2017.

After discussion, a motion was made and seconded to amend the OPEB Trust Investment Policy Statement according to the revised Appendix A. **The motion carried 12-0-0.**

A motion was made and seconded to reallocate the entire BlackRock Global Allocation Fund investment moving towards the new targets. **The motion carried 12-0-0.**

A motion was made and seconded to invest the annual contribution of approximately \$13.7 million as outlined generally in the cash flow worksheet to the new targets upon notification from Mr. Yanik that the funds are available. **The motion carried 12-0-0.**

**Report of Bills Paid** – Mr. Yanik distributed the Summary Schedule of Expenses through May 31, 2017. There were no unusual expenses. Since end of year information is not available, it will be re-submitted for approval at the next meeting.

**Financial Reports** – Mr. Yanik distributed, and the Board discussed, the draft OPEB Trust Fund Financial Report through May 31, 2017.

**Other Business** – Mayor Martin announced the formation of a task force to improve investment performance of the four pension plans and the OPEB plan. The task force will look at best practices and review all plan documents. The team will consist of members of the Board of Finance, the Board of Representatives, Administration, the Board of Education, and representatives from each union.

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 a.m.

**Next meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2017 at 8:00 a.m.**  
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