### Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fire and Police Pension Fund, San Antonio 11603 W. Coker Loop, Suite 201 San Antonio, Texas October 29, 2014

PRESENT:

Chairman Shawn Ury, Police Representative; Vice Chairman J. T. Trevino, Fire Representative; Councilman/Secretary Ray Lopez; Dean Pearson, Fire Representative; Jim Smith, Police Representative; Harry Griffin, Police Retiree Representative.

**ABSENT:** 

Councilman Rey Saldana; Mayoral Designee Art A. Hall; Larry Reed, Fire Retiree Representative.

OTHERS PRESENT:

Warren Schott, Executive Director; Mark Gremmer; Erik Dahler; Beatrice Ahrens; Matthew O'Reilly; Sonia Martinez, Pension Fund Staff.

At 9:02 a.m., Chairman Ury called the meeting to order. Roll was called, and a quorum was declared present.

The Board then recessed to Executive Session at 9:03 a.m., pursuant to Texas Govt. Code §551.071.

The Board reconvened at 9:54 a.m.

**MINUTES:** 

Mr. Smith moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 24, 2014. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pearson, and it carried unanimously.

### EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES:

**OPPORTUNITIES:** Mr. Griffin moved to authorize Board members and appropriate staff to attend the following conferences:

- 1. NSIIP Pension and Institutional Investment Summit November 10-11, 2014
- 2. Opal Alternative Investing Summit December 7-9, 2014
- 3. Opal Public Funds Summit January 12-14, 2015
- 4. 2014 CORPaTH Summit & Crystal Globe Awards December 16-17, 2014

The motion and seconded by Vice Chairman Trevino, and it carried unanimously.

PENSION
APPLICATIONS,
ADJUSTMENTS
AND REFUND OF
CONTRIBUTIONS

**CONTRIBUTIONS:** Vice Chairman Trevino made a motion to approve the following pension applications:

### Pension Applications

- 1. A 25 year, 3 month service pension for Police Officer John F. Lohrke, effective September 29, 2014.
- 2. A 20 year, 2 month service pension for Police Officer Glenn P. Barrow, effective October 4, 2014.
- 3. A 34 year, 6 month service pension for Firefighter Victor Cabello, Jr., effective November 1, 2014.
- 4. A 34 year, 4 month service pension for Fire Engineer Ruben Delgado, effective November 1, 2014.
- 5. A 34 year, 2 month service pension for Police Sergeant James M. Prendergast, effective November 1, 2014.
- 6. A 31 year, 4 month service pension for Police Officer Wayne A. Ramey, effective November 1, 2014.
- 7. A 32 year, 7 month service pension for Detective Investigator Anthony L. Smith, effective December 1, 2014.

### **Beneficiary Pensions**

- 1. A beneficiary pension for Mrs. Jean H. Ortiz, widow of Retired Detective Investigator Robert A. Ortiz, effective September 22, 2014.
- 2. A beneficiary pension for Mrs. Gwendolyn M. Abate, widow of Retired Police Sergeant Vick Abate, effective October 1, 2014.

The motion and seconded by Mr. Smith, and it carried unanimously.

# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

### PRE-RETIREMENT SEMINAR – NOVEMBER 7TH

Mr. Schott stated there are currently 51 people attending the November 7<sup>th</sup> seminar and requested Board's attendance. He stated that all future seminars will be held at the Pension Office going forward.

### FINANCIAL REPORT FOR PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

Financials were unavailable.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### PERSONNEL/AUDIT COMMITTEE

Mr. Griffin stated that the Personnel Committee did not have a meeting this month; however, will be scheduling a meeting in November to discuss an audit issue. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the possibility of hiring another Securities Litigation Firm to work with the Fund's current firms. The Fund currently has two firms that are monitoring its investment portfolio, but would like to hear the pros and cons of hiring a third firm.

Mr. Griffin reported the auditors will be arriving at the Pension Office in Mid-November to begin the audit and will take approximately 2 weeks to conduct their fieldwork.

### **DISABILITY COMMITTEE**

Vice Chairman Trevino stated that the Disability Committee did not meet this month but reported staff has informed the Committee there are two police officers that have recently completed applications for disability pensions. He stated neither member has provided the necessary doctors' reports. The Committee will schedule a meeting once it receives confirmation that the applications are complete.

#### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Mr. Pearson reported that the Legislative Committee did not have a meeting this month. He reported the Board has approved a Final Legislative Package and has received letters of support from both the Police and Retirees Association. Mr. Pearson stated that the Fire Association voted to support the package, but the Pension Fund has not yet received the official letter. The last step in the approval process is to get the City's support. Mr. Pearson reported he, along with Jim Smith, Larry Reed, Warren Schott and Frank Burney have been meeting with individual City Council members for the past month reviewing the Legislative Package, and have met with nine of the ten members as well as the Mayor. He noted the Committee will be meeting with Councilman Cris Medina tomorrow. He reported the City's process is for the package to be voted on in the City's IGR Committee and then forwarded to the full Council for a vote. The Fund attended the City's IGR Committee on October 8<sup>th</sup> and Shawn Ury gave a presentation on the Package. Committee had several questions and ultimately postponed a decision on the Package until the next meeting scheduled for November 12<sup>th</sup>. The Legislative Committee's hope is for the IGR to approve the Package at this meeting and for the City Council to vote on it at their meeting on November 20<sup>th</sup>. If the City votes in favor of the Package, Staff will begin drafting the Legislative Package in Bill Format so we can get it filed in December. He stated he would also be scheduling a Legislative Committee meeting in early December so the Committee can finalize the non-cost items that need clarification. However, if the City votes to oppose the Package, he will still be scheduling a meeting in early December to decide how the Pension Fund wants to proceed with the Package.

### **INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

Mr. Smith reported that the Investment Committee held a meeting on October 22, 2014.

Mr. Smith reported that the Committee discussed the Asset/Liability Study. During the September Investment Committee, NEPC presented proposed changes to the asset allocation. The Investment Committee wanted to give the Board time to review the Asset/Liability study, thus, waiting until the October Board meeting. In particular, NEPC proposed the allocations to High Yield and Bank Loans be reduced by 2% and 1%, respectively. An Unconstrained Fixed Income allocation of 3% would be added.

At this time, Mr. Smith made a motion on behalf of the Committee to accept the Asset/Liability Study. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Trevino, and it carried unanimously.

Mr. Smith reported that Real Estate and Real Asset investment managers participated in the Annual Manager Workshop. Firm representatives discussed various issues regarding current and future market conditions, individual firm strategies, and performance of respective funds.

### AD HOC GOVERNMENTAL & PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Vice Chairman Trevino reported the Public Relations Committee held a meeting on October 28<sup>th</sup> to meet with Joe Gimenez to get an update on several public relations topics. The Committee informed Mr. Gimenez that a decision on a 13<sup>th</sup> Check would be decided at the November Board Meeting so no further discussion was held on this issue.

Vice Chairman Trevino stated, at last month's Board Meeting, that Mr. Gimenez had recommended the Pension Fund consider hiring an outside expert to create the face of the website. The Committee considered several different options and ultimately made a motion to recommend the Board hire Public Alliance for our website development. The motion passed unanimously, but it was too late to get this item on the September Board Agenda, so it was added to this month's Board Agenda.

Vice Chairman Trevino then made a motion on behalf of the Committee to hire Public Alliance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith, and it carried unanimously.

Vice Chairman Trevino reported that Mr. Gimenez gave several examples of surveys that can be placed on the Fund's website to get member feedback on our services. He stated Mr. Gimenez will finalize some surveys and provide them to the Committee to get approval to place them on the site.

Vice Chairman Trevino reported Mr. Gimenez also reviewed the completed Facebook Page with the Committee. He recommended the Pension Fund include a note in the next Advisor Newsletter encouraging members to "LIKE" the page. He stated G3 and Public Alliance will work together to continue to improve the Facebook page and the Fund's website.

Vice Chairman Trevino reported that Erik Dahler distributed a Draft Social Media Policy for consideration. The Committee was directed to review the policy and be prepared to discuss at the next Committee Meeting.

**DISBURSEMENTS:** Mr. Pearson moved, and Vice Chairman Trevino seconded, a motion to

approve paying the bills, which was unanimously approved. (See attached

disbursements dated October 29, 2014).

**MEMBERS TO** 

**BE HEARD:** Mr. Bart Moczygemba provided an update on Larry Reed.

ADJOURNMENT: Being that there was no further business, Vice Chairman Trevino moved to

adjourn the meeting at 10:16 a.m. Mr. Smith seconded the motion, and it

carried unanimously.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT THE REGULAR

MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 26, 2014.

	Shawn Ury, Chairman
ATTEST:	
J. T. Trevino, Vice Chairman	