

TRS Board of Trustees
Minutes of Bimonthly Meeting
September 28, 2016

The Board of Trustees of the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia met in its bimonthly meeting on September 28, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. in the 1st floor conference room, Two Northside 75, Atlanta, Georgia. Trustees present were Ms. Anne S. Cardella, Dr. Wanda G. Creel, Mr. Steven N. McCoy, Mr. Thomas W. Norwood, Ms. Deborah K. Simonds, Dr. William G. Sloan, and Mr. Christopher M. Swanson.

TRS staff members present were Dr. L. C. Evans, Mr. Stephen J. Boyers, Mr. R. Cory Buice, Mr. C. William Cary, Ms. Lisa M. Hajj, Ms. Dina N. Jones, Ms. Laura L. Lanier, Mr. J. Gregory McQueen, and Ms. Alice R. Rafferty.

Ms. Annette Cowart and Ms. Shelley Seinberg were present as legal counsel.

Visitors in attendance were Mr. Rod Chatham, Ms. Robbie Cole, Mr. Sean DeVetter, Mr. Harold Grindle, Ms. Dawn Hamer, Mr. Jim Hayes, Mr. Charlie Roberts, Ms. Ruth Shaw, and Mr. Don Splinter.

Mr. Norwood called the meeting to order and welcomed Dr. Evans as Executive Director, Mrs. Cardella to the Board, and all visitors.

Item 1

A motion was made by Mr. McCoy to adopt the July 20, 2016, August 4, 2016, August 12, 2016, and August 24, 2016, Board of Trustees meeting minutes and the Investment Committee meeting minutes for July 20, 2016, and August 24, 2016. Dr. Creel seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously adopted.

Item 2

Dr. Evans gave a brief membership and retirement status report. For FY 2017, 1,092 new retirements have been processed. For new service retirees with 25 or more years of service, the average years of service were 31.2, the average age was 60, and the average monthly benefit was \$3,707. The September 1st benefit payroll had 118,637 retirees, with the Maximum Plan being the most popular plan chosen. 98.3% of benefit payments were delivered via EFT. Member accounts in active status totaled 250,018 indicating positive hiring trends. For member accounts currently reporting monthly contributions, there were 23,435 members eligible to retire. Members having more than thirty years of service totaled 3,339.

Item 3

Dr. Evans reported on the financial statements and expense fund. As of August, 2016, assets restricted for pensions were \$67 billion, an increase of approximately \$3 billion from the previous year. The expense fund reflected \$4.9 million for personal services. Equipment increased from the previous year due to upgrades to the storage array network. Year-to-date with 16.66% of the year completed, TRS has expended 14.7%. TRS remained under budget by approximately 2%. Ms. Simonds made a motion to approve the expense fund. Dr. Creel seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously adopted. Mr. Boyers reported operations for the Beta Building remained normal.

Item 4

Mr. Norwood presented the FY 2018 budget for final adoption. The proposed budget was adopted on July 20, 2016, for submission to the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget by the September 1, 2016, deadline. There were no changes made to the budget. Mr. McCoy motion to adopt the FY 2018 budget. Mr. Swanson seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously adopted.

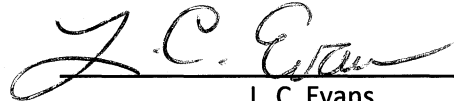
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Mr. Norwood presented for consideration the actuarial services contract with Cavanaugh Macdonald Consulting, LLC. Dr. Evans explained the contract continues the same services at the current fee structure with a proposal for an increase after the first two years. Ms. Simonds inquired if the fee structure is comparable with industry standards. Mr. Boyers confirmed the fees are within industry standards. Mr. Swanson made a motion to approve the actuarial services contract as presented. Dr. Sloan seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously adopted.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Norwood adjourned the meeting.



Thomas W. Norwood
Vice Chair



L. C. Evans
Executive Director