

PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
**Board of Trustees**  
OF THE  
**Public School Teachers' Pension and  
Retirement Fund of Chicago**

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**Special Meeting – Official Report**  
**Friday, October 29, 2021**

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A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Public School Teachers' Pension and Retirement Fund of Chicago was held Friday, October 29, 2021.

The Vice President, Ms. Mary Sharon Reilly, called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.

**Board Meeting Audio/Video Conferencing during COVID-19**

Vice President Reilly stated that due to the COVID-19 pandemic and pursuant to Public Act 101-0640, which amended the Open Meetings Act to allow for remote meetings when certain conditions are met, CTPF is holding this meeting by audio-video conference.

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**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

**Presentation by Therese Boyle**

Ms. Therese Boyle, a retired member, expressed her concern regarding the delayed delivery of pensioner ballots for the 2021 Pensioner Trustee Election.

**Presentation by Patricia Kubistal**

Ms. Patricia Kubistal, a retired member, expressed her concern regarding the delayed delivery of pensioner ballots for the 2021 Pensioner Trustee Election. Ms. Kubistal shared a retiree's concern with the last four digits of the social security number being a criteria for voting.

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## ROLL CALL

Trustees present: Mr. James Cavallero, Ms. Gervaise Clay, Mr. Miguel del Valle, Ms. Tina Padilla, Ms. Jacquelyn Price Ward, Ms. Mary Sharon Reilly, Ms. Maria J. Rodriguez, Mr. Dwayne Truss, Mr. Philip Weiss – 9

Trustees absent: Mr. Jeffery Blackwell, Ms. Lois Nelson, Dr. Jerry Travlos – 3

Mr. Blackwell and Dr. Travlos subsequently joined the meeting after Roll Call.

Also in attendance were Mr. Carlton W. Lenoir, Sr., (*Executive Director*), Ms. Gail Davis (*Election Coordinator*), Mr. Daniel J. Hurtado (*Chief Legal Officer*), Ms. Adriane McCoy (*Internal Audit Director*), Mr. Joseph Burns and Mr. Charles Burns of Jacobs, Burns, Orlove and Hernandez (*Board Counsel*), and various observers and staff members.

## Election Policy Amendment

Mr. Chris Backert, CEO of YesElections, gave an overview of the pensioner ballot mailing process for the 2021 Pensioner Trustee Election and reported on mail ballot delays. Mr. Backert addressed questions raised by the Committee.

Mr. Carlton Lenoir, Executive Director, reported that many paper ballots for the 2021 Pensioner Trustee Election have not been delivered to eligible pensioner voters due to a delay by the United States Postal Service. Mr. Lenoir recommended that the Election Policy be amended to remedy the matter. This amendment to the Election Policy will allow additional time for pensioner ballots to be returned to the Election Agent and allow pensioners to drop ballots at two local sites. Mr. Lenoir and Ms. Gail Davis, Election Coordinator, addressed questions raised by the Board.

Discussion ensued regarding a communication plan to notify all pensioners.

## Motion to Amend the 2021 Election Policy, Approved

Ms. Reilly made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rodriguez, to amend the 2021 Election Policy for purposes of the 2021 Pensioner Trustee Election only as follows:

1. II.B/105 Date of Elections is amended to allow votes to be counted if they are postmarked or cast electronically by November 6, 2021, and received by the election Agent by 5:00 pm Central Time on November 12, 2021.
2. Amends II.B/402(b) is amended to allow for in person ballot submission at the Fund office and an alternative location, with ballots to be sent by overnight mail to the Election Agent pursuant to the specifics provided by the Executive Director.
3. II.B/403(c) (f) Ballot Distribution is amended to allow the Election Agent to provide instructions for obtaining a replacement voter identification number.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Blackwell, Mr. Cavallero, Ms. Clay, Mr. del Valle, Ms. Price Ward, Ms. Reilly, Ms. Rodriguez, Mr. Travlos, Mr. Truss, Mr. Weiss – 10

Abstentions: Ms. Padilla – 1

**Motion to Adjourn the Meeting, Approved**

Ms. Rodriguez made a motion, seconded by Ms. Reilly, to adjourn the meeting.

The motion passed by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Blackwell, Mr. Cavallero, Ms. Clay, Mr. del Valle, Ms. Padilla, Ms. Price Ward, Ms. Reilly, Ms. Rodriguez, Mr. Travlos, Mr. Truss, Mr. Philip Weiss – 11

The meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lois Nelson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Lois Nelson  
Recording Secretary

