A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Public School Teachers’ Pension and Retirement Fund of Chicago was held Thursday, August 17, 2017.

The President, Mr. Jay C. Rehak, called the meeting to order at 9:39 a.m.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Presentation by Leandres White
Ms. Leandres White, a retired member, stated she is speaking on behalf of the Retirees who are substitute teaching for CPS. She stated that currently the Physical Education teachers have an additional 25 days to substitute for the Chicago Public Schools. She hopes that the CTPF Board will do whatever is possible so that all teachers will gain an additional 25 days to substitute for CPS.

Presentation by Mary Murray
Ms. Mary Murray, of Benton House, informed the Board that on September 12, 2017, Benton House will hold an annual Charity Golf Tournament at the Gleneagles County Club for the benefit of MMM Educational Scholarship. She stated that she hopes the Board would join them in support of the MMM Educational Scholarship Fund. Ms. Murray addressed questions raised by the Board.

Presentation by Louis Pyster
Mr. Louis Pyster, a retired member, stated that he hopes the Board reconsiders going into a financial arrangement with Chicago Public Schools. Mr. Pyster also mentioned that the Trustees and the Fund’s lobbyist should take credit for their efforts in the funding issue of the downstate pension systems.

Presentation by Lois Lubin
Ms. Lois Lubin, a retired member, expressed her concern regarding the Health Insurance Medicare booklet.
ROLL CALL

Members present: Ms. Lois W. Ashford, Mr. Jeffery Blackwell, Mr. Robert F. Bures, Ms. Bernice Eshoo, Dr. Walter E. Pilditch, Mr. Gregory Redfeairn, Mr. Jay C. Rehak, Ms. Mary Sharon Reilly, Ms. Gail D. Ward – 9.

Members absent: Mr. Mark F. Furlong, Ms. Tina Padilla, Mr. Jerry Travlos – 3.

Ms. Padilla arrived during the Executive Director’s report.

Also in attendance were Mr. Charles A. Burbridge (Executive Director), Ms. Mary Cavallaro (Deputy Executive Director), Mr. John Schomberg (Chief Legal Officer), Mr. Joseph Burns of Jacobs, Burns, Orlove and Hernandez (Board Counsel), Ms. Angela Miller-May (Director of Investments), Ms. Gail Davis (Administrative Services Manager), Ms. Lauren Axel (Human Resources Manager), Ms. Vandana Vohra (Chief Technology Officer), Ms. Alise White (Chief Financial Officer), and various observers and staff members.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Executive Director Executive Summary

Mr. Charles Burbridge, Executive Director, reported departmental efforts during the past month and also highlighted engagement activities during the month of August. Mr. Burbridge informed the Board that Legal has worked to implement a settlement agreement with CPS to address issues related to the property tax receipts. He also informed the Board that Benefits has developed additional enhancements for reciprocal estimates through BradPen. He also noted that he has spoken to the Benefits staff regarding implementing a process for improvements in monthly payroll review through report development. Mr. Burbridge addressed questions raised by the Board.

Motion to go into Executive Session, Approved

Ms. Eshoo made a motion, seconded by Dr. Pilditch, to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation, internal control, and personnel matters. The motion passed unanimously.

The executive session lasted from 10:24 a.m. to 12:16 p.m.

Motion to go into Open Session, Approved

Ms. Reilly made a motion, seconded by Mr. Blackwell, to go into open session. The motion passed unanimously.
REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS AND SERVICE CREDITS

Final 2018 Retiree Health Insurance Rates
Ms. Mary Cavallaro, Deputy Executive Director, updated the Board on the 2018 Retiree Health Insurance final results. She stated that there has been improvement of the rates that were given to the Board for approval in July. She reported that the Fund made a decision to transition from the current group BCBSIL Medicare Advantage PPO plan to a group UHC Medicare Advantage PPO plan. She stated that the total savings of this transition is $11.2M. She also reported on the prescription drug plan changes, which resulted in a total savings of $2.7M or 6.6% of renewal results.

Ms. Cavallaro addressed questions raised by the Board.

Motion to Accept the Revised 2018 Retiree Health Insurance Rates Report, Approved
Dr. Pilditch made a motion, seconded by Ms. Reilly, to accept the revised 2018 Retiree Health Insurance report. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Motion to Approve August 17, 2017, Board Training Hours, Approved
Ms. Reilly made a motion, seconded by Dr. Pilditch, to approve the August 17, 2017, Board Training hours. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Ward left the meeting.

Board Training
CTPF staff covered Board training and made presentations to the Board which included Open Meetings Act for New Trustees, Annual Required Education, Annual Statement of Economic Interest Filing, Trustee Travel and Credit Card Usage, Educational Publications, Information Security Awareness, Ethics, Sexual Harassment, Acceptable Use, Audit Roles and Responsibilities, FY 2017 Audit Plan and Status, Alternative Investments and Investments Performance Measurements Terms.

CTPF staff addressed questions raised by the Board.

Ms. Ashford, Mr. Bures, Ms. Eshoo and Dr. Pilditch left the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Ms. Padilla, seconded by Ms. Eshoo, the meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

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Members absent: Mr. Mark F. Furlong, Mr. Jerry Travlos – 2.

Also in attendance were Mr. Charles A. Burbridge (Executive Director), Mr. John F. Schomberg (Chief Legal Officer), and Mr. Joseph Burns of Jacobs, Burns, Orlove and Hernandez (Board Counsel).

Discussion ensued regarding internal controls, personnel matters, and pending litigation. No action was taken.

There being no further business, the executive session adjourned at 12:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bernice Eshoo