

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT BOARD
100 North Park Avenue, Room 201
Helena MT 59601

Thursday, October 8, 2015
8:30 am

ATTENDANCE

Board of Trustees

Sheena Wilson, President
Mike McGinley, Vice President
Julie McKenna, Member
Maggie Peterson, Member
Marty Tuttle, Member
Timm Twardoski, Member
Pepper Valdez, Member (*via telephone*)

MPERA Staff

Dore Schwinden, Executive Director
Melanie Symons, Chief Legal Counsel
Patricia Davis, Member Services Bureau Chief
Angela Riley, Information Technology Bureau Chief
William Holahan, Legal Counsel
Katherine Talley, Legal Counsel
Kris Vladic, Legal Administrative Assistant
Barbara Quinn, Accountant
Diann Levandowski, Financial Reporting Accountant
Hollie Koehler, Accounting Supervisor
Donna Bley, DB Accountant
Ali Rice, DC Accountant
Ann Reber, Publications Specialist
Cynthia Pearson, Executive Assistant

Public

Steve McElhaney, Alison Chafin, Cheiron
Ryan Evans, Governor's Office of Budget and Program Planning
Cliff Sheets, Herb Kulow, Eron Krpan, BOI
Gary Whitney, Empower Retirement
Cathy Kendall, AMRPE
Tom Schneider, MPEA
Mark Murphy, MPPA MCAA
Diane Fladmo, MEA-MFT
Blaine Cowan, MSFA
Shantil Siaperas, MACo
Terrence Smith, Big Sky Water and Sewer
Jessie Luther, Assoc. of MT Troopers
Kathy McGowan, MSPOA
Chris Hoffman, Ravalli County Sheriff
Ben Snipes, Attorney

Bradley Lins
Yvette Englert, Department of Administration-Human Resources
Anthony Cacace, Department of Administration

ACTIONS

IV.B. Consent Agenda

- Member Maggie Peterson moved to approve the consent agenda. Member Marty Tuttle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

IV.C. FY 2015 Actuarial Valuation

- Member Maggie Peterson moved to adopt the FY 2015 actuarial valuation. Vice-President Mike McGinley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VI.D. EIAC Reappointments

- Member Timm Twardoski moved to accept the reappointments of Amy Berry, Tom Schneider, and James Helgeson to EIAC. Member Maggie Peterson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VI.E. Annual Benefit Notification Mailings

- Vice-President Mike McGinley moved to continue annual benefit notification mailings until such time as the PERIS self-service member portal is operational. Member Maggie Peterson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- It was noted that the total annual cost will be approximately \$19,000 (about 66 cents per individual) and is not an addition to MPERA's current budget.
- Member Maggie Peterson requested that staff investigate the most appropriate method of opting in/out.

VI.F. Petition for Declaratory Ruling – Bradley Lins

- Vice-President Mike McGinley moved to deny Mr. Lins' request to reinstate previously refunded PERS membership service. Member Timm Twardoski seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- The Board will review and sign the declaratory ruling before publication in the MAR.

VI.G. Informal Consideration – Bradley Lins, Purchase of Declined Optional Service

- Member Maggie Peterson moved to deny Mr. Lins' request to purchase declined optional service. Member Marty Tuttle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VI.H.1. Rule Notice – Amendment of ARM 2.43.3501 and 2.43.5101 regarding the DCRP and the 457(b) Plan Documents, respectively

- Member Marty Tuttle moved to approve the amendment and approve submittal of the Notice of Amendment and Adoption Order (MAR 2-43-530) to the Secretary of State's Office. Vice-President Mike McGinley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VI.H.2. Rule Notice – Amendment of ARM 2.43.3502 and 2.43.5102 regarding the DCRP and the 457(b) Investment Policy Statements, respectively

- Member Marty Tuttle moved to approve the amendment and approve submittal of the Notice of Amendment and Adoption Order (MAR 2-43-529) to the Secretary of State's Office. Vice-President Mike McGinley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VI.H.3. Rule Notice – Amendment of ARM 2.43.3504 and 2.43.5103 regarding the DCRP and the 457(b) Default Investment Funds, respectively

- Member Marty Tuttle moved to approve the amendment and approve submittal of the Notice of Amendment and Adoption Order (MAR 2-43-532) to the Secretary of State’s Office. Vice-President Mike McGinley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VI.H.4. Rule Notice – Amendment of ARM 2.43.1306 pertaining to actuarial rates and assumptions

- President Sheena Wilson moved to approve the amendment and approve submittal of the Notice of Amendment and Adoption Order (MAR 2-43-531) to the Secretary of State’s Office. Member Marty Tuttle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VI.I.1. Notice of Proposed Adoption of Rules – Proposed New Rules regarding the HPORS DROP

- Member Marty Tuttle moved to approve the proposed rule adoption notice and approve submittal of the Notice of Proposed Adoption (MAR 2-43-535) to the Secretary of State’s Office. President Sheena Wilson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

VI.J. Personnel Committee Report and Action

- President Sheena Wilson moved to adopt the FY 2016 executive director appraisal timeline. Member Timm Twardoski seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- President Sheena Wilson moved to adopt the executive director’s FY 2016 objectives. Member Maggie Peterson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.
- Vice-President Mike McGinley moved to increase the executive director’s salary by 6.41%, to \$118,000, retroactive to August 8, 2015. President Sheena Wilson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Board Requests

- President Sheena Wilson asked for the Board’s authorization to purchase a retirement gift for Cliff Sheets of BOI. The Board agreed.
- The Board requested that representatives of BOI (executive director and new CIO) be invited to make a presentation at the Board’s regular meeting in December 2015.
- The Audit Committee requested to meet in conjunction with the Board’s regular meeting in December 2015.
- EIAC requested to meet in conjunction with the Board’s regular meeting in February 2016.
- The Policy Committee requested to meet in conjunction with the Board’s regular meeting in February 2016.
- The Personnel Committee requested to meet in conjunction with the Board’s regular meeting in February 2016 to conduct the executive director’s FY 2016 progress review.
- Member Timm Twardoski requested that future MPErAtiv Written Reports show both the previous status and the current status, for the purpose of comparison.