

DRAFT

MINUTES

June 22, 2017

Teachers Retirement Board
State of Wisconsin



Location:
State Revenue Building – Events Room
2135 Rimrock Road, Madison, WI

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Robin Starck, Chair	Jim Langkamp
Tom Pedersen, Vice Chair	Dennis Murphy
Gary Epping	Allison Pratt
Chris Heller	David Schalow
Craig Hubbell	David Wiltgen

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sandra Claflin-Chalton	Kim Schroeder
Brent Grochowski	

PARTICIPATING EMPLOYEE TRUST FUNDS (ETF) STAFF:

Office of the Secretary:	Division of Retirement Services:
Bob Conlin, Secretary	Matt Stohr, Administrator
John Voelker, Deputy Secretary	Office of Legal Services:
Pam Henning, Assistant Deputy Secretary	Dan Hayes, Attorney
Cheryllynn Wilkins, Board Liaison	

OTHERS PRESENT:

ETF Division of Management Services: Stacie Meyer, Ryan Perkins	ETF Office of Legal Services: Diana Felsmann, Amanda Postel, Mary Richardson
ETF Division of Retirement Services: Anne Boudreau, Gina Fischer, Roger Fletchers, Jim Guidry, Gene Janke, Megan Jeffers, Deb Roemer	ETF Office of Policy, Privacy & Compliance: Steve Hurley, Laura Patterson
ETF Office of Communications: Nancy Ketterhagen	ETF Office of Strategic Health Policy: Sara Brockman
	ETF Board Members: Michael Langyel, Robert Niendorf, Roberta Rasmus, WR Board Member: Julie Wathke

Board	Mtg Date	Item #
TR	6.21.18	1

Robin Starck, Chair, called the meeting of the Teachers Retirement Board (Board) to order at 10:44 a.m.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Heller moved approval of the September 29, 2016 minutes as submitted by the Board Liaison. Mr. Pedersen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on a voice vote.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

MOTION: Mr. Hubbell moved to elect the following slate of officers, Robin Starck as Chair, David Wiltgen as Vice Chair and Brent Grochowski as Secretary. Mr. Heller seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on a voice vote.

DISCUSSION/CONSIDERATION

Clearinghouse Rule # CR 17-031: ETF-50 – Disability Programs Redesign
Mr. Hayes reminded the Board of the presentation (Ref. JM | 6.22.17 | 3C) at the Joint Meeting of the Retirement Boards.

Motion: Mr. Wiltgen moved to approve the final revisions of the Clearinghouse Rule # CR 17-031 as proposed. Mr. Epping seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on a voice vote.

TR Board Election Process

Ms. Henning presented on the TR Board election process (Ref. TR | 6.22.17 | 4A). She provided a history of the TR Board, the election process and the transition from paper to electronic ballots. The voting trends of other pension systems and the TR Board were explained, all showing a decrease in voter participation. Ms. Henning reviewed ETF's communication and outreach efforts and the costs associated with TR Board elections.

The Board discussed the challenges of having to communicate with teachers through their employers; ETF does not have email addresses for individual members. The discussion included possible reasons for the downturn in applicant nominations and voting trends, particularly for the active teacher seats on the Board.

The Board requested the 2018 TR Board elections be conducted via paper ballots instead of using telephone and online methods.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Pedersen moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Pratt seconded the motion, which passed unanimously on a voice vote.

The Board meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Date Approved: _____

Signed: _____

Brent Grochowski, Secretary
Teachers Retirement Board