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## CORRESPONDENCE MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** February 2, 2012

TO: Wisconsin Retirement Board

**FROM:** Robert J. Marchant

**Deputy Secretary** 

**SUBJECT:** Appointment of Wisconsin Retirement Board Representative

to the State of Wisconsin Investment Board

Staff recommends the Wisconsin Retirement (WR) Board name its appointee to the State of Wisconsin Investment Board (SWIB).

Section 15.76 (3) of the Wisconsin Statutes requires the WR Board to appoint one individual to SWIB. The individual must be a participant in the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) and may not be a teacher. The appointment is for a six year term. Traditionally, the WR Board has designated the Secretary of the Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF) as its appointee to SWIB. By appointing the ETF Secretary, the WR Board helps ensure that SWIB is fully apprised of the interests of WRS participants and of issues concerning the benefit programs available to WRS participants.

Former ETF Secretary David Stella is currently serving as the WR Board's appointee on SWIB. He was appointed in 2007 to complete former ETF Secretary Eric Stanchfield's term on SWIB. That term expires on May 1, 2012. In order to ensure an orderly transition, the WR Board should consider naming its appointee to SWIB at this WR Board meeting. The WR Board may want to consider specifying that the appointment takes effect upon expiration of David Stella's term.

I will be available at the meeting to answer any questions you may have.

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