



Louisiana State Police Retirement System (LSPRS)

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Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Title	Louisiana State Police Retirement System Board Meeting
Date of Meeting	December 16, 2020 (Wednesday)
Where	Via Remote Zoom
Start Time	1:30 p.m.

1) Vice-Chairman, Kevin Marcel opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a prayer led by Kevin Reed.

2) Wendy Ingram, Administrative Assistant, called roll as follows:

Colonel Lamar Davis, Superintendent, Office of State Police, Appearing Through

Frank Besson, Designee for Superintendent, NOT PRESENT

Commissioner Jay Dardenne, Division of Administration, Appearing Through

Andrea Hubbard, Designee for DOA Commissioner, PRESENT

Representative Lance Harris, NOT PRESENT

Byron Juneau, President, Central State Troopers Coalition, NOT PRESENT

Kevin Marcel, Active Representative, Vice-Chairman, PRESENT

Senator Ed Price, Chairman, Senate Retirement Committee, NOT PRESENT

Doris Prudhomme, Surviving Spouse Representative, PRESENT

Jay O'Quinn, LSTA President, PRESENT

Treasurer John Schroder Appearing Through

Amy Mathews, Designee for State Treasurer, PRESENT

Baxter Welch, Retiree Representative, PRESENT

Hackley Willis, Jr., Active/Retired Representative, PRESENT *Joined call at 1:56 p.m.

The records reflect that the following persons were also present:

Denise Akers, General Counsel, Akers & Wisbar

Bonnie Bennett, Griffin & Co., LLC

Tausha Facundus, Retirement Benefits Analyst

Claire Guidry, Retirement Benefits Analyst

Robin Landa, UBS/Paine Webber

Kevin P. Reed, Executive Director

Racheal Alvey, Griffin & Co., LLC

Greg Curran, System Actuary

Kimberly A. Gann, Assistant Director

Wendy Ingram, Administrative Assistant

Emily Raby, Pageant Media

Walter W. Smith, Retiree

3) A **MOTION** was made by Jay O'Quinn to approve the Board minutes from the November 5, 2020 meeting. (**See Exhibit A-Attached**). The motion was seconded by Amy Mathews. No opposition. The motion passed.

4) Robin Landa, UBS/PaineWebber, presented the Board with the flash report and asset allocation as of November 30, 2020. Ms. Landa reported that LSPRS had total equities of \$680,862,044, fixed income of \$187,099,450, which she stated looks good, total alternatives of \$126,019,417, and total cash of \$16,220,977 as of the end of November 2020. She also noted the total funds of \$1,010,201,888 is the most impressive and monumental news as this is the first time the total has reached the billion-dollar mark.

Ms. Landa pointed the members to the current month column of the return's summary noting that November was an outstanding month with significant upward movements in the financial markets which was favorable to the portfolio. She stated that the managers did a great job in November as the total domestic equity managers' return was 11.88%, the total international equity was 11.2% and the total fixed income managers was 2.80%. Ms. Landa also noted that the recent release of a COVID-19 vaccine as well as news of another stimulus package have produced positive results in the market, and that by the third quarter of 2021 the market may be back to normal.

Lastly, Ms. Landa directed the board to view the chart showing the portfolio growth from November 30, 1990 to now, noting the growth from \$25M in 1990 to \$1B by November 30, 2020. Kevin Reed thanked UBS for their continued guidance. Kimberly Gann mentioned how proud she was of the growth and how she shared the news of reaching \$1B with Irwin Felts, former Executive Director of LSPRS (Retired). The Board accepted the report (**See Exhibit B-Attached**).

- 5) Kevin Reed updated the members on the transition from AJO to SSGA Russell 1000 Large Cap Value strategy noting that the transition took place on December 8th through the 10th, 2020 with both in-kind assets and liquidated proceeds used for the purchase of the SSGA fund.. Mr. Reed noted that we are still in the process of rebalancing the portfolio and will update our current allocation after the close of the calendar year.
- 6) Kevin Reed directed the board to the information regarding Macquaire acquiring Waddell & Reed stating that the acquisition should result in no notable change (**See Exhibit C-Attached**). A **MOTION** was made by Jay O'Quinn to place Ivy Investments on the watch list. The motion was seconded by Baxter Welch. No opposition. The motion passed.
- 7) Racheal Alvey, Griffin & Co., LLC introduced Bonnie Bennett to the board and stated that she is currently training Ms. Bennett to eventually take over her position providing accounting services to LSPRS. Ms. Alvey then reviewed the Cash Disbursements for the month ending October 31, 2020, noting that the financials as of November 30, 2020 were not available in time for this meeting. The month of October ended with total cash disbursements of \$366,905.13 and there were no unusual items to note. Ms. Alvey then presented the Statement of Fiduciary Net Position, changes in Fiduciary Net Position, and Budget Summary as of October 31, 2020 (**See Exhibit D-Attached**). A **MOTION** was made by Baxter Welch to accept the financial report. The motion was seconded by Andrea Hubbard. No opposition. The motion passed.
- 8) A **MOTION** was made by Baxter Welch to go out of order to approve the 2022 budget. The motion was seconded by Amy Mathews. No opposition. The motion passed.

Racheal Alvey presented the budget worksheet ending June 30, 2022 (**See Exhibit E-Attached**). Kevin Reed noted the increase of total personnel services to \$210,000 and explained to the board that LSPRS is preparing for the replacement of its Assistant Director, Kimberly Gann, when she retires. The total also includes possible future rewards and recognitions for LSPRS personnel pursuant to SCS rule and LSPRS policy. Mr. Reed stated the \$60,000 for major acquisitions is an estimate for future retirement software. A **MOTION** to accept the 2022 budget was made by Jay O'Quinn. The motion was seconded by Hackley Willis. No opposition. The motion passed.

- 9) Claire Guidry presented the board with the PBI Study Report (**See Exhibit F-Attached**). Mrs. Guidry discussed the recent meeting of the four state retirement systems who are working together to study alternative mechanisms for providing benefit increases. She also discussed common funding sources, eligibility criteria and projected costs.
- 10) Greg Curran, Actuary presented the board with information on the 2020 Actuarial Valuation Review by the LLA. Mr. Curran discussed lowering assumptions in 2021 and stated he will provide information at a later date to open that discussion.

- 11) A **MOTION** was made by Jay O'Quinn to approve the Retirement/DROP and Elimination/Awarding Benefits to Spouse Children Benefits Change Report (**See Exhibit G-Attached**), in globo. The motion was seconded by Baxter Welch. No opposition. The motion passed.
- 12) Kevin Marcel asked the board if there was any other business. Kevin Reed spoke briefly about the pending installation of audio/video equipment in the LSPRS conference room. Considering the environment of remote meetings, flexible working environment and telecommuting, LSPRS finds itself in need of video monitoring equipment.
- 13) A **MOTION** was made by Jay O'Quinn to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Amy Mathews. No opposition. The motion passed.



Kevin Marcel, Vice-Chairman
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