

**STATE INVESTMENT BOARD
INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES OF THE
DECEMBER 13, 2024, MEETING**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Thomas Beadle, State Treasurer, Chair
Joseph Heringer, Trust Lands Commissioner, Vice Chair
Scott Anderson, Chief Investment Officer
Eric Chin, Deputy Chief Investment Officer
Pete Jahner, External Representative
Dr. Prodosh Simlai, External Representative

STAFF PRESENT: Derek Dukart, Senior Investment Analyst
Jennifer Ferderer, Fiscal Investment Admin
Chirag Gandhi, Portfolio Manager
Rachel Kmetz, Fiscal and Investment Operations Manager
Robbie Morey, Investment Accountant
George Moss, Portfolio Manager
Sarah Mudder, Communications and Outreach Director
Janilyn Murtha, Executive Director
Matt Posch, Portfolio Manager
Emmalee Riegler, Procurement/Records Mgmt. Coordinator
Chad Roberts, Deputy Executive Director/Chief Retirement Officer
Ryan Skor, Chief Financial Officer/Chief Operating Officer
Nitin Vaidya, Chief Risk Officer
Lance Zietlow, Portfolio Manager

GUESTS: Members of the public

CALL TO ORDER

Treasurer Beadle called the State Investment Board (SIB) Investment Committee (IC) meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. on Friday, December 13, 2024. The meeting was held virtually.

The following members were present representing a quorum: Mr. Anderson, Treasurer Beadle, Mr. Chin, Commissioner Heringer, Mr. Jahner, and Dr. Simlai.

AGENDA

The agenda was considered for the December 13, 2024, meeting.

IT WAS MOVED BY MR. ANDERSON AND SECONDED BY MR. CHIN AND CARRIED BY A VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE DECEMBER 13, 2024, MEETING AS DISTRIBUTED.

AYES: MR. ANDERSON, MR. CHIN, COMMISSIONER HERINGER, MR. JAHNER, DR. SIMLAI, AND TREASURER BEADLE

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

MINUTES

The minutes were considered for the November 8, 2024, meeting.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMISSIONER HERINGER AND SECONDED BY MR. JAHNER AND CARRIED BY A VOICE VOTE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE NOVEMBER 8, 2024, MEETING AS DISTRIBUTED.

**AYES: MR. ANDERSON, MR. CHIN, COMMISSIONER HERINGER, MR. JAHNER, DR. SIMLAI, AND TREASURER BEADLE
NAYS: NONE
MOTION CARRIED**

MANAGER RECOMMENDATION AND TRANSITION UPDATE

IT WAS MOVED BY DR. SIMLAI AND SECONDED BY MR. CHIN AND CARRIED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO N.D.C.C. 44-04-19.2, 44-04-18.4 (2)(A) AND N.D.C.C. 44-04-18.4(2)(D) TO REVIEW AND DISCUSS CONFIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL INFORMATION AND TRADE SECRETS.

**AYES: COMMISSIONER HERINGER, MR. ANDERSON, DR. SIMLAI, MR. CHIN, MR. JAHNER, TREASURER BEADLE
NAYS: NONE
MOTION CARRIED**

The executive session began at 9:10 a.m. and ended at 10:02 a.m. The session was attended by Committee members, Mr. Francis and Mr. Kevan from RVK, Mr. Dukart, Ms. Ferderer, Mr. Gandhi, Ms. Kmetz, Mr. Moss, Ms. Mudder, Ms. Murtha, Mr. Posch, Mr. Skor, Mr. Vaidya, and Mr. Zietlow.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HERINGER AND SECONDED BY DR. SIMLAI AND CARRIED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE TO DIRECT STAFF TO PROCEED WITH CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE FIRM MOST SUSCEPTIBLE FOR AWARD.

**AYES: DR. SIMLAI, MR. CHIN, COMMISSIONER HERINGER, MR. JAHNER, MR. ANDERSON, TREASURER BEADLE
NAYS: NONE
MOTION CARRIED**

IT WAS MOVED BY MR. CHIN AND SECONDED BY DR. SIMLAI AND CARRIED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO N.D.C.C. 44-04-19.2, 44-04-18.4 (2)(A) AND N.D.C.C. 44-04-18.4(2)(D) TO REVIEW AND DISCUSS CONFIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL INFORMATION AND TRADE SECRETS.

**AYES: MR. ANDERSON, MR. JAHNER, MR. CHIN, COMMISSIONER HERINGER, DR. SIMLAI, TREASURER BEADLE
NAYS: NONE
MOTION CARRIED**

The executive session began at 10:06 a.m. and ended at 11:32 a.m. The session was attended by Committee members, Mr. Dukart, Ms. Ferderer, Mr. Gandhi, Ms. Kmetz, Mr. Moss, Ms. Mudder,

Ms. Murtha, Mr. Posch, Mr. Skor, Mr. Vaidya, and Mr. Zietlow.

IT WAS MOVED BY DR. SIMLAI AND SECONDED BY MR. ANDERSON AND CARRIED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE RECOMMENDED CHANGES ON THE FIXED INCOME PORTFOLIO.

AYES: MR. JAHNER, MR. CHIN, MR. ANDERSON, DR. SIMLAI, COMMISSIONER HERINGER, TREASURER BEADLE

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

INVESTMENT GUIDELINES

Mr. Moss and Mr. Gandhi offered a refresher on the cash overlay strategy, including overlay cash with futures and structure. Mr. Moss reviewed the investment objectives and the guidelines of the Cash Overlay Portfolio, including the use of investment instruments, targeted asset allocations, and rebalancing efforts.

IT WAS MOVED BY MR. JAHNER AND SECONDED BY MR. ANDERSON AND CARRIED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE THE CASH OVERLAY PORTFOLIO GUIDELINES AS PRESENTED

AYES: MR. CHIN, COMMISSIONER HERINGER, MR. JAHNER, MR. ANDERSON, DR. SIMLAI, TREASURER BEADLE

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HERINGER AND SECONDED BY MR. CHIN AND CARRIED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO N.D.C.C. 44-04-19.2, 44-04-18.4 (2)(A) AND N.D.C.C. 44-04-18.4(2)(D) TO REVIEW AND DISCUSS CONFIDENTIAL COMMERCIAL INFORMATION AND TRADE SECRETS.

AYES: MR. ANDERSON, MR. JAHNER, MR. CHIN, COMMISSIONER HERINGER, DR. SIMLAI, TREASURER BEADLE

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

The executive session began at 11:49 a.m. and ended at 11:59 a.m. The session was attended by Committee members, Mr. Dukart, Ms. Ferderer, Mr. Gandhi, Ms. Kmetz, Mr. Moss, Ms. Mudder, Ms. Murtha, Mr. Posch, Mr. Vaidya, and Mr. Zietlow.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HERINGER AND SECONDED BY MR. CHIN AND CARRIED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE TO DIRECT STAFF TO MOVE FORWARD WITH CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING RATINGS DATA FOR COMPLIANCE.

AYES: DR. SIMLAI, MR. CHIN, COMMISSIONER HERINGER, MR. JAHNER, MR. ANDERSON, TREASURER BEADLE

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

INVESTMENT POLICY STATEMENTS

Mr. Chin presented the updated investment policy statement (IPS) for Workforce Safety and Insurance (WSI). The IPS was approved by the WSI board.

IT WAS MOVED BY MR. ANDERSON AND SECONDED BY MR. JAHNER AND CARRIED BY A ROLL CALL VOTE TO APPROVE TO RECOMMEND THE UPDATED INVESTMENT POLICY STATEMENT FOR WORKFORCE SAFETY AND INSURANCE TO THE STATE INVESTMENT BOARD.

AYES: MR. ANDERSON, MR. JAHNER, MR. CHIN, COMMISSIONER HERINGER, DR. SIMLAI, TREASURER BEADLE

NAYS: NONE

MOTION CARRIED

DISCUSSION

Mr. Anderson discussed with the Committee the material changes within the agency and how they may impact the timeline of the internal investment effort. Committee discussion followed.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Investment Committee, Treasurer Beadle adjourned the meeting at 12:07 p.m.

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