

# BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY PENSION FUND FOR FIREFIGHTERS & POLICE OFFICERS

In the City of Pembroke Pines  
Temporarily Meeting at the Pembroke Pines City Center

## REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING FEBRUARY 17, 2022

The five hundred eighteenth meeting of the Firefighters and Police Officers Pension Fund in the City of Pembroke Pines was called to order at 1:08 PM by Chairman Thomas Moran. *This meeting was held virtually via Zoom conferencing.*

1. **EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION** – A closed session to discuss litigation in the matter of Scopa v. Board of Trustees was held in accordance with Section 286.011, Fla. Stat. to discuss a settlement proposal. Following a discussion with counsel, a motion was adopted in open session to reject the settlement proposal and to set the matter for a hearing on the remaining issue.

2. **Roll Call:**

<u>Fire Members</u>	<u>Police Members</u>	<u>City Members</u>
Robert Johnson	Timothy Anderson	Gary Arenson
John P. Kearney	Adam Feiner	Jack McCluskey
	Thomas Moran	

Motion by Jack McCluskey, second by JP Kearney, to excuse the absences of Trustees Greenwell and Minnaugh. The motion carried unanimously.

**Others Present:** Eric Leventhal, KSDT; Richelle Hayes, American Realty; Jane DiGiacomo, Charlotte Davis, & Trey Smith, Blackrock; Peter Paladjian, Kristin Phalen, Phil Deeney, and Tim Nash, Intercontinental; Greg McNeillie, Dahab Associates; Jennifer Borregard & Shelly Jones, Plan Actuary; James Fisher, Plan Administrator; and Rachel Maldonado, Asst. Plan Administrator.

3. **FYE 9/30/2021 Pension Fund Audit Results** – Eric Leventhal of KSDT & Company presented the Audit results for FY 2021. He presented an “unmodified report” indicating a clean report for the 2021 financial statements. Motion by Gary Arenson, second by Jack McCluskey, to accept the FYE 9/30/2021 Pension Fund Audit Results as presented, authorizing the Chairman to sign the financial statements into record. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **American Realty** – Richelle Hayes presented performance for the quarter ending 12/31/2021.
5. **Blackrock** – Jane DiGiacomo and Charlotte Davis presented the performance for the quarter ending 12/31/2021.
6. **Intercontinental** – Peter Palandjian presented performance for the quarter ending 12/31/2021.
7. **Dahab Associates:** Greg McNeillie of Dahab Associates discussed the overall performance of the portfolio. As of December 31, 2021, the Fund gained 7.2% for the quarter and was valued at \$927,002,239 representing an increase of \$60,815,938 from the previous quarter ending value.

**Gross & Net Rate Returns for Q/E 12/31/2021:** The Board reviewed the gross and net of fees rates of return for Q/E 12/31/2021, as submitted by Dahab Consulting. Motion by Jack McCluskey, second by Robert Johnson, to approve the gross 7.16% and net 6.92% rates of returns for the quarter ending 12/31/2021. The motion carried unanimously.

	<b>Equities</b>	<b>Equity Benchmark</b>	<b>Fixed Income</b>	<b>Fixed Inc. Benchmark</b>	<b>Trailing 12 Mos.</b>
Atlanta Capital	11.2%	2.1%	---	---	20.9%
Bridgeway Capital	6.8%	7.8%	---	---	22.6%
Inverness (Equity)	11.4%	11.0	---	---	28.3%

LMCG Midcap	6.6%	8.0%	---	---	21.7%
LMCG LargeCap	13.1%	11.6%	---	---	30.8%
SSgA Midcap Core	8.0%	8.0%	---	---	24.8%
SSgA Int'l Equity	1.6%	1.8%	---	---	8.2%
SSgA LargeCap Value	7.8%	7.8%	---	---	25.2%
SSgA LargeCap Growth	11.6%	11.6%	---	---	27.5%
Inverness (Fixed Income)	---	---	-0.6%	-0.2%	-1.7%
IR+M Bond	---	---	-0.2%	0.0%	-1.7%
Loomis Sayles	---	---	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%
Manulife	---	---	0.1%	0.0%	0.3%

	R.A.	R.A. Bench-mark	Trailing 12 Months
Am. Realty Advisors	8.8%	8.0%	21.8%
Black Rock	7.8%	8.0%	19.6%
Intercontinental	9.7%	8.0%	24.4%
Ceres	5.3%	3.8%	14.9%
Molpus Fund IV	20.1%	4.6%	21.4%
Molpus Fund V	10.2%	4.6%	11.6%

8. **Approval of Minutes for January 20, 2022:** Chairman Moran presented the minutes from the previous meeting held on January 20, 2022. Motion by Jack McCluskey, second by Tim Anderson, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

9. **Approval of New DROP Retirement(s):** The Board reviewed benefit selections for approval.

- Judon, Viola – 10 Years Certain & Life commencing 1/1/22
- Walter, Benjamin – Joint & 75% Contingent commencing 1/1/22

Motion by JP Kearney, second by Jack McCluskey, to approve the list of retirement benefits. The motion carried unanimously.

10. **Request for DROP Account Distribution(s):** The following DROP distributions were presented for approval.

- Barber, Richard – Lump Sum
- Desilva, James – Lump Sum
- Gazzano, John – Lump Sum
- Kern, Robert – Lump Sum
- Laichak, Robert – Lump Sum
- Nelson, Todd – Lump Sum
- Perez, Carlos - Monthly
- Rodriguez, Ruben – Lump Sum
- Scopa, Michael – Lump Sum
- Varnadoe, Thomas – Lump Sum
- Washington, Maurice – Lump Sum
- Weaver, Robert – Lump Sum

Motion by JP Kearney, second by Gary Arenson, to approve the list of DROP distributions. The motion carried unanimously.

11. **Request for DROP Loan(s):** The following DROP loans were presented for approval.

- Brown, Sammy
- Curtis, Anthony
- Darnowski, James
- Hemingway, Christian
- Lopez, Erwin
- Moreno, Benjamin

Motion by Jack McCluskey, second by Adam Feiner, to approve the list of DROP loans. The motion carried unanimously.

12. **Ratify Special Warrants 880, 881, & 882:** Motion by Jack McCluskey, second by Robert Johnson, to ratify Special Warrants 880 – 882. The motion carried unanimously.

DROP DISTRIBUTIONS					
Name	Dept.	Type of Payment	Gross	FIT	Net
Nelson, Todd C.	F	Lump Sum			***
U.S. Treasury – FIT – W/H for the Members Listed					***
WARRANT TOTAL					***

DROP DISTRIBUTIONS					
Name	Dept.	Type of Payment	Gross	FIT	Net
Barber, Richard	P	Lump Sum			***
U.S. Treasury – FIT – W/H for the Members Listed					***
WARRANT TOTAL					***

DROP LOANS			
Name	Proceeds	Doc Stamps	Loan Total
Brown, Sammy	F		***
WARRANT TOTAL			***

13. **Approval of Vendor Warrant 883:** Chairman Moran presented Vendor Warrant 883 for approval. Motion by Jack McCluskey, second by Adam Feiner, to approve Warrant 883 in the amount of **\$428,640.61**. The motion carried unanimously.

VENDOR PAYMENTS & MISCELLANEOUS	
Name	Amount
Klausner, Kaufman, Jensen & Levinson – Monthly Retainer for February 2022	\$3,250.00
Klausner, Kaufman, Jensen & Levinson – Fritz	\$630.00
Hampton Professional Center, Suites 103 & 104 (Monthly Maintenance – Mar. 2022)	\$797.22
Twilight Industries, LLC – (Maintenance – February 2022)	\$152.00
Dahab - Consulting Fees for Q/E 12/31/21	\$44,512.06
Bridgeway - Mgmt Fees Q/E 9/30/21	\$43,034.81
Bridgeway - Mgmt Fees Q/E 12/31/21	\$42,049.88
Fiduciary Trust - Custodial Fees for LMCG Mid Cap Q/E 12/31/21	\$3,972.84
Fiduciary Trust - Custodial Fees for LMCG Large Cap Q/E 12/31/21	\$6,206.99
Fiduciary Trust - Custodial Fees for R&D Q/E 12/31/21	\$1,250.00
Fiduciary Trust - Custodial Fees for Inverness Q/E 12/31/21	\$11,584.01
Fiduciary Trust - Custodial Fees for Bridgeway Q/E 12/31/21	\$3,592.05
Fiduciary Trust - Custodial Fees for IRM Q/E 12/31/21	\$5,885.20
Atlanta Capital - Mgmt Fees for Q/E 12/31/21	\$184,541.00
SSGA - Mgmt Fees for Growth Index Q/E 12/31/21	\$7,776.24
SSGA - Mgmt Fees for Value Index Q/E 12/31/21	\$6,056.84
SSGA - Mgmt Fees for Mid Cap Index Q/E 12/31/21	\$4,965.82
Glenda Sandhouse - Vendor 1099R	\$225.00

Synalovski Romanik Saye Invoice 13593	\$589.65
GRS - January 2022	\$24,779.00
Joan Wall - Bookkeeping Fees 9/9/21 - 2/6/2022	\$3,849.32
CRU -Various Invoices 7711, 7852, 7861, 7866	\$912.00
FPL	\$17.01
ABS - Copier Lease Thru 2/14/22	\$510.38
Conference Refund - James Fisher	\$428.25
Mileage Refund - Rachel Maldonado	\$832.80
KSDT - Invoice 110671	\$8,250.00
Calvin Giordano & Associates - City Permit	\$11,847.25
SunTrust 8961	\$3,980.30
SunTrust 9334	\$1,470.53
SunTrust 9787	\$692.16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$428,640.61</b>

14. **Approval of Member Warrant 884:** Chairman Moran presented Member Warrant 884 for approval. Motion by Jack McCluskey, second by JP Kearney, to approve Warrant 884 in the amount of \$350,113.90. The motion carried unanimously.

RETIREMENT BENEFITS					
Rodriguez, Ruben	F	Normal Retirement Commencing 3/1/22			
DROP DISTRIBUTIONS					
Name	De pt.	Type of Payment	Gross	FIT	Net
Desilva, James	P	Lump Sum			***
Gazzano, John	P	Lump Sum			***
Kern, Robert	F	Lump Sum			***
Laichak, Robert	P	Lump Sum			***
Perez, Carlos (increase existing)	P	Monthly for 3/1/22			***
Washington, Maurice	F	Lump Sum			***
Weaver, Robert	F	Lump Sum			***
Scopa, Michael	P	Lump Sum			***
Rodriguez, Ruben	F	Lump Sum			***
Varnadoe, Thomas	P	Lump Sum			***
U.S. Treasury – FIT – W/H for the Members Listed					***
DROP LOANS					
Name			Proceeds	Doc Stamps	Loan Total
Curtis, Anthony	F				***
Darnowski, James	P				***
Hemingway, Christian	P				***
Lopez, Erwin	P				***
Moreno, Benjamin	F				***
WARRANT TOTAL				\$348,950.00	

#### NEW BUSINESS

None.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

15. **Reports:**

**Actuary** – Jennifer Borregard and Shelly Jones discussed with Board reducing the assumption rate as the State continues to encourage plans to review their assumptions. Motion by Gary Arenson, second by JP Kearney, to reduce the assumption rate to 7.5% for the coming fiscal year. The motion carried unanimously. Future reductions may be necessary and will be handled ahead of the 2023 fiscal year.

**Attorney** – No report at this time.

**Chairman** – No report at this time.

**Plan Administrator** – Bob Klausner noted the passing of friend and colleague Stephen Cypen earlier in the meeting.

The Board knew him as “Steve” and he was our first pension attorney in 1983 and stayed on for almost 35 years. Even after he ceded his day-to-day duties, he remained a resource and a willing companion to the Administrators and Trustees. We have truly lost a giant and an important advocate for our public pensions. The author of Chapters 175 and 185, our members will forever be indebted to Steve’s legacy.

16. **Input from Retirees:** None.

17. **Input from Active Members:** None.

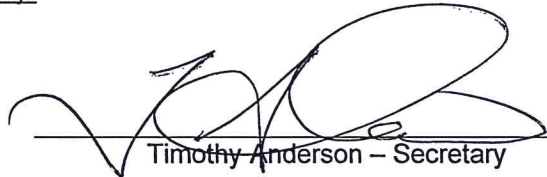
18. **Input from Trustees:** None.

19. **Public Comment:** None.

20. **Adjournment:** Chairman Moran announced the next regular meeting on **Thursday, March 17, 2022 at 2:00 PM.** There being no further business, motion by Jack McCluskey, second by Tim Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 4:48 PM. The motion carried unanimously.



Thomas Moran – Chairman



Timothy Anderson – Secretary