

**Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund
MINUTES**

**Board of Trustees
140 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio
August 25 and 26, 2020**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m on August 25, 2020. Chair Elect Corvi began the teleconferenced Board meeting by reading the motions:

The August 25, 2020 Board meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chair Elect Corvi:

In attendance:

Trustees Present:

Britt, Corvi, Desmond, Miller, Moore, Wainscott and Montgomery¹

Staff: Foley, Gallagher, Graham and McCann

AGENDA ITEM:

2020 Trustee election schedule 2020 08 001 BOT: Ms. Mary Beth Foley, General Counsel reminded the Board that the coronavirus response bill (Amended Substitute House Bill 197) authorized the Board to postpone the trustee elections that were to occur in May “until December 1, 2020.” Pursuant to this authority, the Board voted in March to postpone the elections due to reduced staffing and to avoid disenfranchising OP&F members from participating due to the full shut down orders that were in place. The bill also required a delayed election to be conducted in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 742.04, except that the Board must adjust the dates in that section for nominating petitions to be filed and ballots to be returned to reflect the new election date. Ohio Revised Code Section 742.04.

Mr. Desmond moved and Mr. Corvi seconded a motion that the Board adopts the proposed schedule for the 2020 trustee elections that were postponed due to the coronavirus pandemic, and approves the proposed changes to Administrative Rule 742-2-01, as outlined in staff’s memorandum dated August 25, 2020, and authorizes the required filing of the Rule with the proper agencies. The motion passed with the roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Britt, Corvi, Desmond, Miller, Moore, Wainscott and Montgomery

Nays: None

AGENDA ITEM:

Administrative Rules - 2020 08 002 BOT - Ms. Foley presented the administrative rules as part of the 5-year rule review required under Ohio Revised Code Chapter 119, staff has reviewed the following rules, 742-7-02/Use of member’s records, 742-7-14/Recognition of pick-up of contributions, 742-7-15/Delinquent employers payment plan and 742-21-03/Administration of method of payment section of DPO format.

Mr. Moore moved and Mr. Miller seconded a motion that the Board approves the Administrative Rules outlined in staff’s memorandum dated August 25, 2020, and authorizes the required filing of the Rules with the proper agencies. The motion passed with the roll call vote as follows:

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Nays: None

¹ Chair Montgomery attended the meeting via teleconferencing.

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Virtual Meetings – The Board discussed a couple options to consider regarding our virtual Board meetings, a) contract a firm to live stream each meeting for \$4,000, per month, or b) continue using our current technology.

After significant discussion, the Board instructed staff to purchase the Zoom software for teleconferencing our board meetings.

AGENDA ITEM:

Board of Trustee Governance Policy -- Trustee Miller asked a question regarding the Board of Trustees' current Governance policy under the "Board Officers and Office" section. How would it be possible for an eligible retired member to become chair under this policy? Since the Chair-Elect position automatically rotates into the Chair position. Could the retired member be rotated in every other year?

After significant discussion it was determine that the trustees would nominate an eligible board member and elect the officers each year. Since the policy contains both provisions to rotate and/or election the officers, no revision is required.

AGENDA ITEM:

Government Affairs & Policy Committee

Mr. Adam Hewit, Robert Blazer and Nick Blazer updated the Board on pending legislation and other issues

1. Legislation:

- House Bill 606 – COVID Liability
- House Bill 542 - Disability Changes
- Service Credit Transfer – Senator Schuring
- House Bill 530 (fiduciary language, salaries, fees and Legislative Committee on salaries and fees) - Grendell
- House Bill 514 (broadcasting board meetings) – Reps Kelly and Ghanbari
- House Bill 516 (prohibition against the state retirement systems doing business with a former state retirement system employee, officer, or board member) – Reps Kelly and Ghanbari
- House Bill 703 Study, Implement Professional Police Practices

2. Other legislation we are tracking:

- House Bill 308 - PTSD Coverage – First Responders
- House Bill 735 Law Enforcement Officer Identification

3. Other Issues

- Rep. Bob Cupp named speaker of the house due to the corruption charges with Speaker Householder

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Trustees Present:

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Trustees Absent:

Ms. Maloney Stifler and Mr. Wainscott

Excuse Trustees

Mr. Corvi moved, and Mr. Miller seconded a motion, to excuse Ms. Maloney Stifler and Mr. Wainscott from the August 2020 Board meeting. The motion passed with the roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Britt, Corvi, Desmond, Heller, Miller, Moore and Montgomery

Nays: None

AGENDA ITEM:

Approval of the June 2020 Investment/Board Minutes

Mr. Montgomery moved, and Mr. Desmond seconded, a motion that the Board of Trustees approves the June 2020 Investment/Board minutes. The motion passed with the roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Britt, Corvi, Desmond, Heller, Miller, Moore and Montgomery

Nays: None

AGENDA ITEM – DISABILITY COMMITTEE MOTIONS

Initial Determination Hearings

Mr. Desmond moved and Mr. Miller seconded a motion that the Board approves the Committee recommendations for the initial determination of disability for the twelve (12) members as identified in the initial determination hearings list presented to the Board on August 26, 2020. The motion passed with the roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Britt, Corvi, Desmond, Heller, Miller, Moore and Montgomery

Nays: None

Reconsideration Hearings

Mr. Desmond moved and Mr. Corvi seconded a motion that the Board makes a determination for those members requesting reconsideration. The motion passed with the roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Britt, Corvi, Desmond, Heller, Miller, Moore and Montgomery

Nays: None

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Appeal Hearings

Mr. Montgomery moved and Mr. Corvi seconded a motion that the Board approves the recommendations for the appeal hearings for the five (5) members as identified in the appeals list presented to the Board on August 26, 2020. The motion passed with the roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Britt, Corvi, Desmond, Heller, Miller, Moore and Montgomery
Nays: None

Death Benefit Fund Hearings

Mr. Desmond moved and Mr. Corvi seconded a motion to make a determination for those requesting Death Fund benefits. The motion passed with the roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Britt, Corvi, Desmond, Heller, Miller, Moore and Montgomery
Nays: None

Reporting Waivers

Mr. Desmond moved and Mr. Corvi seconded a motion that the Board waives the mandatory medical evaluation and filing of Annual Earnings Statements for future years for the members identified in the disability reporting waivers list presented to the Board on August 26, 2020. The motion passed with the roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Britt, Corvi, Desmond, Heller, Miller, Moore and Montgomery
Nays: None

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Other Business:

None.

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Adjournment

Chair elect adjourned meeting. The next board meeting will be held on **Wednesday, September 30, 2020 around 1:00 p.m.** The meeting adjourned at 1:06 pm.



John J. Gallagher Jr.
Executive Director

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