### Government Affairs & Policy Committee 140 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio January 21, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:59 p.m.

### In Attendance:

#### **Committee Members/Trustees:**

Britt, Corvi, M. Miller, Montgomery, Moore, Wainscott, and Desmond

### Staff:

Foley, Gallagher, Graham, Harville, Holodnak, McElroy, S. Miller, Rankin, Sparks

### **Others Present:**

Adam Hewit, Legislative Consultants

### **Excuse Trustee:**

Mr. Desmond moved and Mr. M. Miller seconded a motion that to excuse Mr. Heller from today's Governmental Affairs and Policy Committee meeting. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: M. Miller and Desmond Nays: None

# **AGENDA ITEM 1:**

**Approval of Minutes** – Mr. Desmond moved and Mr. M. Miller seconded a motion that the committee approves the December 3, 2019 Government Affairs and Policy Committee minutes. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes:M. Miller and DesmondNays:None

### **AGENDA ITEM 2:**

### 1) Fall 2019 Legislative Update

Mr. Adam Hewit discussed the following items:

- **Disability Amendments Update:** We are still seeking legislation to permit the outsourcing of independent medical examinations of members who are applying for disability benefits
- **Stagger Elected Trustees Term:** Due to timing we were not able to insert our amendment that would permanently offset OP&F trustees' term in office for the police member position. We will continue to seek legislation to permanently off set our elections;
- Apple Creek and Maumee: Both cities paid contributions to the wrong retirement system OPERS and cannot get their funds returned from OPERS. OP&F will work with these cities
- **ORSC** met in January to discuss the OP&F's request for proposal for the fiduciary audit.

### **AGENDA ITEMS 3:**

Federal Legislative Update: Ms. Mary Beth Foley outlined the highlights on federal/national issues related to public pension issues. The federal government was unusually active at the end of 2019 despite impeachment proceedings and the 2020 presidential election. The passage of the SECURE act days before Christmas was a present to retirees. (See MB Foley's memorandum dated 012120, Federal Update.)

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**AGENDA ITEM 4:** 

Open Discussion None

**ADJOURNMENT:** 

The Committee adjourned at 2:34 p.m.

Daniel Desmond, Chair

## Materials Provided/Attached:

- 1. GAPC Minutes 012120;
- 2. Legislative Agenda;
- 3. Federal Legislative Update, MB Foley's memorandum dated 012120.