

TUCSON SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting Minutes

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Tucson Supplemental Retirement System (TSRS) Board of Trustees and to the general public that the TSRS Board will hold the following meeting virtually (remotely) using Microsoft Teams on:

Thursday, June 27, 2024, at 8:30 A.M.

MEETING NOTE: Due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, which have prompted declarations of a public health emergency at the local, state and federal levels, this meeting will be conducted using measures to protect public health. This meeting will be held remotely through technological means, as permitted under Arizona law. The meeting will not include any items that will involve time set aside for public comments. The meeting will be recorded and posted to City Boards, Committees, and Commissions website for public review.

IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE PROHIBITED.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THESE MEASURES ARE IN PLACE TO LIMIT THE NEED FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO PARTICIPATE IN LARGE PUBLIC GATHERINGS, WHILE ENSURING THAT THE DISCUSSIONS, DELIBERATIONS AND ACTIONS OF THE TSRS BOARD ARE TRANSPARENT AND CONDUCTED OPENLY.

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A) Call to Order

Chairman Mark Rubin calls meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.

Elsa Quijada absent at roll call.

B) Consent Agenda

1. Approval of May 23, 2024, Regular Minutes
2. Approval of June 2024 Ratification Report
3. May Budget to Actual Report
4. May 2024 Investment Performance Report

Motion to approve Consent Agenda made by Jeffrey Whitting, 2nd by Jim Wysocki. Motion passes 5-0.

C) Disability Application

1. Cheryl Dingley* (Board may enter Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(1) to discuss this agenda item)

Motion to move to executive session at 8:33 a.m. pursuant to A.R.S 38-431.03(A)(1) made by Kevin Larson, 2nd by Jim Wysocki. Motion passes 5-0.

Executive session begin at 8:34 a.m.

Elsa Quijada enters meeting at 8:35 a.m.

Executive session ends at 9:07 a.m.

Motion to resume regular session at 9:09 a.m. made by Kevin Larson, 2nd by Elsa Quijada Motion passes 6-0.

Motion to approve application retroactive payments to March 7th, 2024 made by Jim Wysocki, 2nd by Kevin Larson. Motion passes 4-1. Aaron Williams opposing vote and Jeff Whiting abstaining.

D) Administrative Discussions

1. Disability Audit Update

Art Cuaron updated the Board that all responses have been received. However, he noted that upon review there was a Disability Retiree who made more than \$30,000 in reported earned taxable income. Elsa Quijada inquires about the type of work that the retiree did prior to leaving the City versus the type of work they are doing now. Art states that he does not have the answers to those questions at this time. Catherine Langford notes that the definition that the Board of Trustees uses is "total and permanent disability, which means that they're not able to earn any substantial gainful employment wage". Aaron Williams inquires if the audit form asks if there is language indicating the source of income, Art states that in the future that may be added but is not required at this time. Catherine Langford details that the retirees are required to submit tax documents if they indicate there was income earned during the year for an objective source of information. Mark Rubin indicates that he would prefer getting additional information from the retiree before requesting a full re-evaluation of their disability status.

Jim Wysocki exits meeting at 9:25 a.m.

Board directs staff to gain additional information regarding the source of the income reported for a disability retiree who reported income during the audit period.

2. FY 2025 TSRS Budget Adoption

Art Cuaron presents the Fiscal Year 2025 Budget, with first noting the adjustments in salary and medical cost increases. He then emphasizes the interest income change from \$6,332,070 to \$12,500,000; as well as the City Contributions increasing from \$41,801,110 to \$54,416,556. He notes that this was due to hiring more employees and a wage increase. Jeffery Whiting inquires if there is documentation that states the year-to-date FY 24 current amount compared to the adopted budget, Art informs him that it can be seen in the monthly budget report. Art then states that there is a known error on the FY 2025 TSRS Budget Report that has been passed on the Budget Office, in that the employee contributions remained the same despite the contribution increase that Mayor and Council adopted. He reminds the Board that Mayor and Council have already approved this budget, and that the Board has a fiduciary responsibility to approve this budget report. Kevin Larson inquires as to why the retiree payments do not change from FY24 to FY25, Art informs him that the Budget Office did not request any input from TSRS when compiling this amount. Kevin then asks what the Refund line in the budget entails. Art states it is when someone leaves before vesting they can transfer the funds out of TSRS, as well as death payments.

Motion to adopt FY 2025 TSRS Budget made by Kevin Larson, 2nd by Elsa Quijada. Motion passes 5-0.

- E) For the Board's Consideration
1. Public Quarterly Q1 2024

Discussion held; no action taken.

- F) Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Elsa Quijada, 2nd by Jeff Whiting. Motion passes 5-0.

Adjourned 9:46 a.m.

Members Remotely Present:

Mark Rubin, Chairman
Elsa Quijada, Deputy Director of Human Resources
James Wysocki, Elected Retiree Representative
Kevin Larson, City Manager Appointee
Jeffrey Whiting, Elected Representative
Aaron Williams, Interim Deputy Director Controller

Staff Remotely Present:

Art Cuaron, Treasury & Pension Administrator
Pete Saxton, Pension Manager
Dawn Davis, Lead Pension Analyst
Angelica Cota, Pension Assistant
Anastacia Sanders, Pension Assistant

Guest Remotely Present:

Catherine Langford, Yoder & Langford
Cheryl Dingley, Disability Applicant
Joe Ebisa, WithIntelligence

Please Note: Legal Action may be taken on any agenda item

*Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(3) and (4): the board may hold an executive session for the purposes of obtaining legal advice from an attorney or attorneys for the Board or to consider its position and instruct its attorney(s) in pending or contemplated litigation. The board may also hold an executive session pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(1) for the discussion or consideration of matters specific to an identified public officer, appointee, or employee or pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.03(A)(2) for purposes of discussion or consideration of records, information or testimony exempt by law from public inspection.

Mark Rubin

Date

Chairman of the Board

Art Cuaron

Date

Pension Administrator