

A regular meeting of the **Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System Board** was held through Microsoft Teams Meeting, on Thursday, January 21, 2021. The following members and staff participated:

Members Present: Fred Baker, General Public Member, Health Insurance/Actuarial Science Experience  
 Dr. Patricia Chatman, Community College Administrator/Trustee Member  
 Liz Eastway, Non-Certified Educational Support Member  
 Anne Hamming, Reporting Unit Board of Control Member  
 Dr. Scott Koenigsknecht, Chair, Michigan Department of Education  
 Jeff Mills, Representing School Superintendents Member  
 James Pearson, Retiree Member  
 Kevin Philipps, Representing Finance/Operations, non-Superintendents  
 Timothy Raymer, Representing Finance/Operations, Retirants, Member of largest retirant organization  
 John Solecki, General Public Member, Investment Experience

Staff Present: Anthony Estell, Executive Secretary  
 Lisa Reibold, Recording Secretary

### **Call to Order**

Chair Dr. Scott Koenigsknecht called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

### **Roll Call**

The recording secretary did roll call. The following board members indicated their presence as remote and identified their location as follows:

Fred Baker, Midland, Michigan  
 Dr. Patricia Chapman, Clinton Township, Michigan  
 Liz Eastway, Cadillac, Michigan  
 Anne Hamming, Middleville, Michigan  
 Jeff Mills, Allegan, Michigan  
 James Pearson, Highland Township, Michigan  
 Kevin Philipps, Grand Rapids, Michigan  
 Timothy Raymer, Grand Rapids, Michigan  
 John Solecki, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan  
 Dr. Scott Koenigsknecht, Fowler, Michigan

## **Excusing of Absent Members**

Liz Eastway moved, Jeff Mills supported, to excuse the absence of Mike Engle. The motion carried unanimously.

## **Approval of Agenda and Board Minutes**

Fred Baker moved, Kevin Philipps supported, to approve the agenda for today's meeting and approve the minutes from the November 12, 2020, board meeting and the December 21, 2020 special board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

## **New Business**

### **Administrative Hearing Case 18-007667-ORS**

In regard to Case 18-007667-ORS, based upon the Stipulation and Order of the parties dated November 25, 2020, the parties requested that this matter be remanded to the State Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules (SOAHR) to review the September 23, 2020, retirement-benefit calculation performed by Office of Retirement Services (ORS). Timothy Raymer moved, Dr. Pat Chatman supported, that the Board order the case remanded back to SOAHR to determine whether additional evidence may be necessary; consider the respective legal arguments of the parties with respect to validity of the ORS retirement-benefit calculation; and prepare a supplemental Proposal for Decision for the Board's review. The motion carried unanimously.

## **Executive Secretary Comments**

Executive Secretary Anthony Estell reminded the board that based on the Open Meetings Act as amended, the board meetings will continue virtually through the end of March, therefore the March 18, 2021, board meeting will be held through Microsoft Teams Meeting.

## **Board Comments**

James Pearson, the newest board member, commented that he had been following the board for many years which helps him being on the board. He is looking forward to serving.

Scott Koenigsknecht announced that Jeff Mills will be retiring in May.

Jeff Mills thanked Scott and the rest of the board and said he will be attending the board meeting on March 18, which will be his last.

**Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**Adjournment**

Kevin Philipps moved, Anne Hamming supported, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously, and Chair Dr. Scott Koenigsknecht adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

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Chair

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Executive Secretary