



MINUTES

Benefits and Services Committee

Public Meeting held in-person and telephonically on November 10, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. CT
Pursuant to Texas Govt. Code 551.127

Committee Members
Present/(Absent)

Chris Noak, Committee
Chair
Anthony Ross
Brad Sinclair
Diana Thomas
Leslie Pool†

Other Board Trustees
Present/(Absent)

(Mike Benson*)
Kelly Crook
(Amy Hunter)
(Yuejiao Liu)
(Michael Granof)
(Dick Lavine)

Others Present

Staff:

Christopher Hanson
Sarah McCleary
Russell Nash
Michelle Mahaini*
Teresa Cantu*
Jenni Bonds
Amy Kelley*
David Kushner
Yun Quintanilla

Guests:

Paige Saenz, General
Counsel

**As Mr. Benson stayed on the phone but not on camera, his attendance is not counted*

*Present telephonically

† present via videoconference

1 Call roll of Committee members

Chair Chris Noak called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. The following Committee members were present in person: Noak, Ross, Sinclair, Thomas. The following Committee members were present via teleconference: Pool (*due to technical issues, not fully on camera until 9:06 a.m.*)

Chair Noak asked if there were any members of the public who wished to speak, either now or during an agenda item. There were no comments.

2 Review order of business and establish meeting objectives

Chair Noak reviewed the order of business and meeting objectives with the Committee. No changes were made to the order of business.

3 Consider approval of the August 25, 2022 Benefits and Services Committee minutes

Chair Noak asked Trustees to review the minutes. Ms. Diana Thomas moved to approve the August 25, 2022 Benefits and Services Committee minutes as presented. Mr. Brad Sinclair seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

4 Receive report on medical consultants

Mr. Russell Nash presented a report on the current medical consultants used by the Benefits and Services Committee including the terms of the engagements, services, and pricing.

5 Discuss and consider disability retirement continuation

A. Convene into Executive Session pursuant to Sec. 13, Art. 6243n, Tex. Rev. Civ. Stat. and Sec. 551.0785 Texas Government Code to deliberate on disability retirement continuation

Trustees convened into Executive Session at 9:12 a.m.

B. Reconvene into public session and make recommendations as determined appropriate by the Committee regarding disability retirement continuation

Trustees convened into Open Session at 9:15 a.m.

6 Review 2022 Committee Work Plan and discuss development of 2023 Work Plan

Mr. Christopher Hanson noted that the Committee had completed all goals on the 2022

Work Plan apart from review of the Board Funding Policy. The Committee had agreed earlier in the year to postpone the review until the proposed legislation has passed, and Mr. Hanson confirmed with the Pension Review Board that COAERS would still be compliant with the deadline for an update Funding Policy under this new timeline. A draft of the 2023 Work Plan was presented.

7 Review key meeting takeaways and call for future agenda items

Chair Noak summarized the actions taken and the information discussed during the meeting and asked for any future agenda items.

As there were no further items to address, the meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.