

## **MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON FIREFIGHTERS' RELIEF AND RETIREMENT FUND**

A regular meeting of the Houston Firefighters' Relief and Retirement Fund (HFRRF) Board of Trustees convened at the Fund offices at 4225 Interwood North Parkway, Houston, Texas 77032 on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 10:02 a.m.

Trustees present at the beginning of the meeting were Brett R. Besselman (Chair), David O. Lantrip (Vice Chair), Lisa R. Slagle (Secretary), Gerard L. Daniels, Pete Ng, David Riegor, Edward Llewellyn, Earnest W. Wotring, and Albertino Mays. Trustee absent was Arif Rasheed. Also present were staff members Timothy Schauer (Executive Director), Ajit Singh (Chief Investment Officer), Dalia De La Cruz (Director of Member Services), Andrea Sharayha (Director of Human Resources), John D. Moore II (Director of Technology and Building Services), and Adam E. Smith (General Counsel).

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance and observed a moment of silence.

The Chair invited comments from the public. No comments were received.

There was a motion by David O. Lantrip, seconded by Lisa R. Slagle, to approve the following items listed on the consent agenda:

- A. Approval of the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Tuesday, March 19, 2024.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the Pension Benefits Committee meeting held on Tuesday, March 19, 2024.
- C. Approval for the Senior Investment Officer to attend an annual client conference with two (2) nights of hotel accommodation to be paid by a third party.

The motion carried.

There was a motion by Gerard L. Daniels, seconded by Pete Ng, to approve the Chief Investment Officer's travel outside the 48 contiguous United States with airfare and four (4) nights of hotel accommodation to be paid by a third party. The motion carried.

There was a motion by Pete Ng, seconded by Edward Llewellyn, to approve the Chief Investment Officer's travel outside the 48 contiguous United States with airfare and three (3) nights of hotel accommodation to be paid by a third party. The motion carried.

The Executive Director, with additional comments from the Chair, provided an update on the Fund's government relations services in preparation for the upcoming legislative year.

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The General Counsel provided an update on the declaratory judgment lawsuit relating to informal marriage.

The Chair announced that the Board was going into closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 551.071 to obtain the confidential advice of legal counsel regarding a declaratory judgment lawsuit relating to informal marriage. The Board went into closed session at 10:08 a.m. and resumed open session at 10:22 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m. on a motion by David O. Lantrip, seconded by Pete Ng. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa R. Slagle  
Board Secretary