

CORAL GABLES RETIREMENT BOARD EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF MINUTES

MEETING DATE: October 8, 2009

MEETING LOCATION: Youth Center Auditorium

Meeting called to order by Chairperson Tom Huston at 8:07 A.M.

Board Members in attendance: Steve Naclerio, Manuel Garcia-Linares, Tom Huston, Sal Geraci, Les Space and Wayne Sibley. Board member Troy Easley was excused and Board Members Victor Goizueta and Agustin Diaz were absent. Staff in attendance: Kimberly Groome, Administrative Manager; Donald G. Nelson, Finance Director; Alan E. Greenfield, Board Attorney; Troy Brown and Dave West, The Bogdahn Group. Guests in attendance: Vince Carrodegus, Goldstein Schechter Koch; Clement Johns, Goldstein Schechter Koch; Michael Futterman, Marcum Rachlin; Chantell Knowles, McGladrey & Pullen; Robert Feldman, McGladrey & Pullen; and Brett Friedman, McGladrey & Pullen

AGENDA

1. Roll call.
2. Approval of the Retirement Board meeting minutes for September 10, 2009.
3. Approval of the Retirement Board Executive Summary minutes for September 10, 2009.
4. Items from the Board attorney.
5. Report of Administrative Manager.
6. Approval of Employee Benefits
7. Submission of bills.
8. Investment Issues.
9. Selection and qualification of candidate presentations for independent financial auditors.
10. Old Business.
11. New Business.

SUMMARY OF MINUTES IN ORDER AS DISCUSSED

AGENDA ITEM #2: Approval of minutes

SUMMARY: The minutes for September 10, 2009 were unanimously approved.

AGENDA ITEM # 3: Approval of Executive Summary minutes

SUMMARY: The Executive Summary minutes for September 10, 2009 were unanimously approved.

AGENDA ITEM #4: Items from the Board Attorney.

SUMMARY: Mr. Greenfield reported on the 2008 Annual Report to the State, the lawsuit against the Police 185 Fund, the Board's request to the State Attorney General and the rules from the IRS deduction of insurance premiums of Police and Firefighter retirees. The Board discussed the issue regarding the status of the State's treatment of the UBS Settlement. The Board approved a motion to hire the Board's actuary to do a three year projection study on what the City's commitment to the Retirement System will be and for the study to make recommendations on changing current assumptions.

AGENDA ITEM #5: Report of the Administrative Manager.

SUMMARY: The Board approved all items of the Administrative Manager's Report.

AGENDA ITEM #6: Employee Benefits.

SUMMARY: The Board approved the employee benefits for Sharon Teresa Greaux (retirement), Robert Cordero, Lilliam Varela-Portu, Mayra Quintero (DROP) and Gerardo Vazquez de Miguel (vested retirement).

AGENDA ITEM #7: Submission of bills.

SUMMARY: The Board approved The Bogdahn Group and Stanley Holcombe & Associates invoices.

AGENDA ITEM #8: Investment Issues

SUMMARY: Dave West of The Bogdahn Group gave an update on the fund. \$6,786,510 was added from investments in September and the books closed September 30th at \$218,755,193. There was a positive return of 3.2% and for the quarter a return of 10.5% coming from investments. The fiscal year closed out with a rate of return of -0.76%. The total domestic equity for the quarter was at 15.57%, international at 16.5%, the bond portion of the portfolio was at 3.88% and the real estate was down 6.33%.

Mr. West made a presentation on high yield commodities and hedge funds. The consultants recommended not participating in the high yield sector and not participating directly in the raw commodity benchmarks. They recommended looking at managed future products. That information will be reviewed by the Investment Committee in the coming months.

The Board approved rebalancing the fund after receipt of the first half of the City's Contribution to the fund.

AGENDA ITEM #9: Selection and qualification of candidate presentations for independent financial auditors.

SUMMARY: Auditing firms Goldstein Schechter Koch, Marcum Rachlin and McGladrey & Pullen presented to the Board. The Board approved retaining Goldstein Schechter Koch as the independent auditor to the Retirement System and for the Administrative Manager to negotiate the proposed fee.

AGENDA ITEM #10: Old Business.

Old business was discussed under the Board Attorney items.

AGENDA ITEM #11: New Business.

The Administrative Manager reported to the Board that the fund received the first half of the City's 2009/2010 Contribution.

The next Retirement Board meeting is scheduled for 8:00 A.M. on November 12, 2009 and will be located in the Youth Center War Memorial Auditorium.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:58 A.M.