

# FAYETTE COUNTY RETIREMENT BOARD

## Meeting Minutes February 11, 2015

A meeting of the Retirement Board was held on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 in the conference room of the Commissioner's Office.

Commissioner Zapotosky called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

1. **Roll Call**

Roll call was taken and the following members were present:

**PRESENT:** Vincent Zapotosky, Chairman  
Angela Zimmerlink, Vice Chair  
Alfred Ambrosini, Commissioner  
Nancy Wilson, Treasurer  
Jeanine Wrona, Secretary

The following were also in attendance during the meeting:

**ALSO PRESENT:** Sarah Wilson, Peirce Park Group  
Carol Guman, Account Clerk III  
Debora Apicella, Deputy Treasurer  
Eric Blanda, Acting Chief Deputy Controller  
William Prinkey  
Michael Hicks

2. **Public Comment on agenda items**

Let the record reflect there was no public comment.

3. **Consider approval of the minutes from November 19, 2014 the meeting.** Moved by Commissioner Zimmerlink and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Acting Controller Wrona to approve the November 19, 2014 minutes.

The vote was:

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes
Treasurer Wilson	yes
Acting Controller Wrona	yes

**MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY.**

4. **Ratify the following payments made from November 15, 2014 to February 4, 2015 in the amount of \$871,096.36.** Moved by Commissioner Zimmerlink and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Acting Controller Wrona to ratify the payments in the amount of \$871,096.36.

The vote was:

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes
Treasurer Wilson	yes
Acting Controller Wrona	yes

**MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY.**

5. **Recognize the retirement of the following employees;**

Darrell Tallerico 9 years of service

6. **Authorize payment for the 4th quarter of 2014 investment counseling services for the period of October 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014 in the amount of \$31,175.42 to Peirce Park Group.** Moved by Commissioner Zimmerlink and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Acting Controller Wrona to authorize payment in the amount of \$31,175.42 to Peirce Park Group.

The vote was:

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes
Treasurer Wilson	yes
Acting Controller Wrona	yes

**MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

7. **Authorize payment for the 4th quarter of 2014 advisory fees for the period of October 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014 in the amount of \$7,425.73 to Federated Investors, Inc.** Moved by Commissioner Zimmerlink and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Treasurer Wilson to authorize payment in the amount of \$7,425.73 to Federated Investors, Inc.

The vote was:

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes
Treasurer Wilson	yes
Acting Controller Wrona	yes

**MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

8. **Authorize payment for the 4th quarter of 2014 management fees for the period of October 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014 in the amount of \$5,048.90 to GW&K Investment Management.** Moved by Commissioner Zimmerlink and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Treasurer Wilson to authorize payment in the \$5,048.90 to GW&K Investment Management.

The vote was:

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes
Treasurer Wilson	yes
Acting Controller Wrona	yes

**MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

9. **Authorize payment for the 4th quarter of 2014 for the custodian fees for the period of October 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014 in the following amounts to PNC Investments:**

Federated Investors, Inc.	\$ 1,596.92
GW&K Investment Management	\$ 545.12
Peirce Park Mutual Fund	\$ 6,528.40

Moved by Commissioner Ambrosini and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Zimmerlink to authorize payments above to PNC Investments.

The vote was:

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes
Treasurer Wilson	yes
Acting Controller Wrona	yes

**MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

10. **Consider a motion to select a firm to provide actuarial services for Fayette County Retirement Board.** Letters were sent out to the Hay Group and Municipal Finance Partners, Inc. to request proposals for both fees and experience for actuarial services.

Moved by Commissioner Zapotosky made a motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Acting Controller Wrona to select the Hay Group to provided actuarial services for the Fayette County Retirement System for the beginning of 2015 and upon the termination of the current actuarial firm and to also execute an agreement with the Hay Group.

The vote was:

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	abstain
Treasurer Wilson	yes
Acting Controller Wrona	yes

**MOTION CARRIES.**

11. **Peirce Park Presentation on the 4th quarter of 2014 performance of the Pension Fund.** The Fund for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2014 had a return of 2.6% with a gain of \$1.6 million. For the year, the Fund returned 6.8% with a gain of \$6.8 million. The portfolio was transitioned on November 24<sup>th</sup> due to the vote on November 19<sup>th</sup> to move the Equity target from 60% to 65%. The total Fund as of December 31, 2014 was at \$66,467,787.30 an investment earnings of \$4,100,856.10 for the year.

Peirce Park presented information on different Private Core Real Estate. Core is the highest quality and most direct and least leveraged approach to investment. Peirce Park chooses the Private Core Real Estate due to the stability of return, attractive risk adjusted returns, diversification benefits, and inflation protection.

If the Board is interested in pursuing Core Real Estate, Peirce Park will get the information from three managers that would best fit Fayette County Pension Fund Portfolio for the next Retirement meeting. The Retirement Board would be able to decide which managers they would consider adding to the portfolio with recommendations from Peirce Park. If the Board decides to add Core Real Estate to the portfolio there is an 18 month waiting list.

Commissioner Zapotosky made the motion and Treasurer Wilson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion to direct Peirce Park to pursue all and any aspects relating to Core Real Estate and its application to the County Pension Plan.

The vote was:

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes
Treasurer Wilson	yes
Acting Controller Wrona	yes

**MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

12. **William Prinkey addressed the Retirement Board.**

Commissioner Zapotosky made a motion Commissioner Zimmerlink 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion to go into Executive Session at 10:30 a.m. regarding William Prinkey personal Retirement.

The vote was:

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes
Treasurer Wilson	yes
Acting Controller Wrona	yes

**MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**

Commissioner Ambrosini made a motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Treasurer Wilson to resume the regular Retirement Board meeting at 10:58 a.m.

13. **Public Comment**

Michael Hicks addressed the Board about having a Pension Meeting each year or periodically similar to our County Health Fair for employees to have the opportunity to ask questions about their Pension.

14. **Adjournment**

Commissioner Ambrosini made a motion and Treasurer Wilson 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

The vote was:

Commissioner Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes
Treasurer Wilson	yes
Acting Controller Wrona	yes

**MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY**