

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
of the
RETIREMENT BOARD (the "BOARD") of the
PARK EMPLOYEES' ANNUITY and BENEFIT FUND (the "FUND")
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2023

3500 S. Morgan Street, Suite 400
Chicago, Illinois 60609

President AFFOLTER called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M.

ROLL CALL

Trustees present:

EDWARD L. AFFOLTER, President
BRIAN BIGGANE, Vice President
FRANK HODOROWICZ, Secretary

MATTHEW DUGGAN, Trustee
CYNTHIA EVANGELISTI, Trustee
STEVEN J. LUX, Trustee

Also Present:

STEVEN SWANSON, Executive Director
JAIME L. MCCABE, Comptroller
MEKETA INVESTMENT GROUP, Fund Investment Consultant

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

A motion was made by Trustee EVANGELISTI to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Thursday, April 20, 2023. Vice President BIGGANE seconded the motion.

Motion carried by the following roll call:

YEAS: AFFOLTER, BIGGANE, DUGGAN, EVANGELISTI,
HODOROWICZ, LUX

NAYS: None

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS

The Executive Director noted recent FOIA requests.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES

None

BENEFIT DATA**Annuities Granted**

Applications for Service and Employees' Spousal Annuities as listed in Section IV (A) of the Benefit Data, dated March 16, 2023, April 20, 2023, and May 18, 2023, were presented to the Board with the recommendation for approval based upon the report of the President as to the eligibility of the applicants and the correctness of the amounts of annuities and benefits indicated.

Trustee LUX moved ratification of the Applications for Service and Employees' Spousal Annuities to the Omnibus.

Disabilities Granted

Applications for Ordinary and Duty Disability Benefits as listed in Section IV (B) of the Benefit Data, dated February 28, 2023, March 31, 2023, and April 30, 2023, were presented to the Board for approval.

President AFFOLTER moved ratification of the Ordinary and Duty Disability Benefits to the Omnibus.

Annuities in Force

The Secretary asked the Trustees to consider the statement of annuity benefit requirements for the months of March 2023, April 2023, and May 2023 in accordance with Section IV (C) of the Benefit Data and asked for formal confirmation of the net requirements in the amounts of \$6,734,679.17, \$6,735,863.88 and \$6,719,558.67, respectively.

Trustee DUGGAN moved ratification of the required funds from the Northern Trust Annuity Account in the amounts of \$6,734,679.17, \$6,735,863.88, and \$6,719,558.67 to the Omnibus.

Report on Death Claims

The following report, Section IV (D) was submitted for ratification as indicated:

<u>Name of Decedent</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Amount Payable</u>	<u>To Whom Payable</u>
Jerry McGee Attendant Annuitant	12/08/22	\$ 3,000.00 Death Benefit	Telisa McGee-Brooks
Ann C. Boger Advanced Buyer Annuitant	11/08/22	\$ 3,000.00 Death Benefit	Misa B. Raynor
David Alvarez Floriculturist Foreman Annuitant	01/05/23	\$ 3,000.00 Death Benefit	David J. Alvarez, Jennifer Lynn Segur and Lisa M. Alvarez-Ardisana
Juanita Gibson Field Cashier Annuitant	01/17/23	\$ 3,000.00 Death Benefit	Sherondra McGrew
Douglas B. Malek Painter Annuitant	01/28/23	\$ 3,000.00 Death Benefit	Sheron Gandolfo Malek

Joseph J. Nyhoff Animal Keeper Annuitant	02/01/23	\$ 300.00	Optional Death Benefit	Dorothy M. Nyhoff
Vasudeva M. Vadali Asst. Civil Design Engineer Annuitant	02/02/23	\$ 3,000.00	Death Benefit	Indira Vadali
Ernesto Guaderrama Laborer Annuitant	11/17/22	\$ 3,000.00	Death Benefit	Martin Guaderrama, Rosa Guaderrama Ernesto Guaderrama, Jr. and Sergio Guaderrama
Note: This case will remain open until receipt of Ernesto Guaderrama, Jr. and Sergio Gauderrama's applications.				
Andrew White Manager of Parking Operations Annuitant	12/16/22	\$ 3,000.00	Death Benefit	Ricardo White and Tammy M. Tenton
Daryl Robinson Attendant Annuitant	01/20/23	\$ 3,000.00	Death Benefit	Stacy Stiles
Pedro Vazquez Maintenance Foreman Annuitant	12/22/22	\$ 3,000.00	Death Benefit	Maria L. Martinez and Renet Vega
Jorge Cerda Attendant Annuitant	10/28/22	\$ 3,000.00	Death Benefit	Gabriel Cerda, Jorge Cerda and Jesus Ramirez Cerda
George Rasmussen Sheet Metal Worker Annuitant	02/26/23	\$ 3,000.00	Death Benefit	Thomas Krolicki
George E. Giacomino Painter Annuitant	01/25/23	\$ 3,000.00	Death Benefit	John J. Giacomino
Anita Odoms Physical Instructor Annuitant	11/08/22	\$ 3,000.00	Death Benefit	Alisha Jackson and Angela Odoms
Note: This case will remain open until receipt of Angela Odoms' applications.				
Stanley Bertoni Recreation Leader Annuitant	01/26/23	\$ 300.00	Death Benefit	Rose Marie Bertoni
Charles H. Childers Security Guard Annuitant	02/06/23	\$ 3,000.00 <u>300.00</u> <u>\$ 3,300.00</u>	Death Benefit Optional Death Benefit	Murrylean Childers
Manuel Olbera Machinist Annuitant	01/18/23	\$ 3,000.00	Death Benefit	Mario Olbera
Laura Scarborough Physical Instructor Annuitant	12/27/22	\$ 3,000.00	Death Benefit	Julia Baker

John J. Mooney Recreation Leader Annuitant	03/07/23	\$ 300.00	Optional Death Benefit	Claudia Mooney
Nicholas Schwarz Gardener Annuitant	02/26/23	\$ 3,000.00	Death Benefit	Rose Ann Schwarz
Edward E. McCallum Division Chief Engineering Annuitant	02/23/23	\$ 3,000.00 300.00 <u>\$ 3,300.00</u>	Death Benefit Optional Death Benefit	Joanne B. McCallum
Andrew J. Ortolano Park Supervisor Annuitant	02/18/23	\$ 3,000.00 300.00 <u>\$ 3,300.00</u>	Death Benefit Optional Death Benefit	Marion E. Ortolano
Total amount of death claims submitted for approval		<u>\$ 61,800.00</u>		

The information in the files supporting these claims and the facts relative thereto have been gathered in the office of the Retirement Board. Based on this information, the Executive Director certifies to the correctness and validity of the above claims.

Trustee LUX moved ratification of the Report on Death Claims to the Omnibus.

Applications for Refunds - over \$5,000

Applications for refund of pension contributions, Section IV (E), involving payment in excess of \$5,000 were received from the following former employees of the Chicago Park District and presented to the Board by the Secretary:

<u>Name and Occupation</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Tier</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>
King, Yvette – Recreation Leader	\$ 17,466.94	50	2	11.25
Jackson, Malika – Laborer	23,174.65	41	2	6.25
Westlake, David F. – Budget & Policy Analyst	28,181.57	35	2	5.50
Robinson, Erika L. – Physical Instructor	61,094.23	44	1	16.75
Russell, Thomas C. – Electrical Foreman	18,435.23	69	1	5.00
Cantu, Rolando – Laborer	12,644.38	30	2	3.25
Brown, Charles L.– Physical Instructor	36,488.07	42	2	11.25
Gonzalez, Edwin – Community Rec. Leader	12,313.22	31	2	8.00
Costilla, Marcelo J. – Laborer	12,647.47	27	2	3.25
Johnson, Marion D. – Attendant	11,564.10	46	2	8.75
Wright, Daniel E. – Laborer	24,126.75	38	2	7.00
Houston, Herschel – Physical Instructor	22,900.27	35	1	12.75
Conway, Trishika – Physical Instructor	15,034.29	45	1	8.25
Vazquez, Domingo – Sr. Lifeguard	34,576.07	32	1	14.50
Gonzalez, Saul A. – Lifeguard	5,748.69	26	2	2.50
Deleon, Noel D. – Lifeguard	11,597.40	25	2	4.75
Lovera, Erica – Lifeguard	10,114.35	24	2	4.25

Flores, Joshua – Lifeguard	7,947.22	23	2	3.50
Berry, Jeshon T. – Monthly Instructor	39,434.95	32	2	11.25
Lopez, Matthew R. – Physical Instructor	67,912.31	36	1	18.75
Gonzalez, Michael A. – Physical Instructor	<u>19,622.82</u>	34	1	9.25
Total:	<u>\$493,024.98</u>			

The preceding individuals were duly informed regarding the effect of their refunds on their rights in the Fund and were given full explanation to the credit they would be forfeiting by acceptance of the refunds.

President AFFOLTER moved ratification of the Applications for Refunds over \$5,000 to the Omnibus.

Refunds of Spouse’s Annuity Deduction - over \$5,000

Applications for refund of the following spousal annuity deductions are submitted for ratification by the Trustees. These employees are unmarried at the date of his/her retirement and are entitled to these refunds.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Michael Brown	74	25.75 years	\$16,420.69
Clarissa Ford	56	33.75 years	<u>14,790.44</u>
			<u>\$31,211.13</u>

Secretary HODOROWICZ moved ratification of the Refunds of Spouse’s Annuity Deductions over \$5,000 to the Omnibus.

Nursing Home Care

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ID#</u>	<u>NURSING HOME</u>
Anna Papajohn	3-7307	The Grove of Elmhurst 127 W. Diversey Avenue Elmhurst, IL 60126 Administrator: Elliot Triplett Contact: Marites Caminar Phone # 224-354-5129

Trustee LUX moved ratification of the Nursing Home Case to the Omnibus.

Membership Statistics (informational only)

	<u>05/18/23</u>	<u>12/31/22</u>	<u>12/31/21</u>
Chicago Park District Participants (Tier 2 – approximately 1,057 or 35.83%) (Tier 3 - approximately 581 or 19.69%)	2,950*	2,818*	2,694*
Contributing participants reported by Chicago Park District for pay period ending April 26, 2023	2,575	2,497	2,413
Participants on Disability	11	10	24
Fund employee participants	9	9	8
Total participants as of last payroll	2,595	2,516	2,445
Retired employees	2,099	2,106	2,104
Surviving spouses	633	631	639
Children	7	8	9
Total receiving benefits	2,739	2,745	2,752
Retirements during the year (including spousal)	34	144	126
Deaths among retirees (including spousal)	40	151	149
New Members	143	451	112
Withdrawals with refund (including inactives)	40	136	128

* This represents the total number of active members in the Fund system. At the end of each year, any active member that does not have any contributions for at least one year, is moved to inactive status.

Secretary HODOROWICZ moved the ratification of the Membership Statistics to the Omnibus.

FINANCIAL DATA**Expenditure Report**

Disbursements as listed in Section V (A) of the Financial Data, dated February 28, 2023, March 31, 2023, and April 30, 2023, were presented to the Board for approval.

Secretary HODOROWICX moved ratification of the Expenditure Report to the Omnibus.

Summary of Investment Fees, Administrative, and General Expenses

Investment Fees, Administrative and General Expenses as listed in Section V (B) of the Financial Data, as of March 31, 2023, were presented to the Board for ratification.

President AFFOLTER moved ratification of the Summary of Investment Fees, Administrative and General Expenses to the Omnibus.

Cash Account - Reconciliation and Cash Flow Report

Cash Account – Reconciliation and Cash Flow Report as listed in Section V (C) of the Financial Data, as of February 28, 2023, March 31, 2023 and April 30, 2023, were presented to the Board for approval. The Trustees discussed maintaining the cash balance in the Northern Trust STIF account in accordance with the Fund's investment policy.

Trustee LUX moved ratification of the Reconciliation and Cash Flow Report to the Omnibus.

Summary of the Trial Balance (unaudited)

Summary of the Trial Balance (unaudited), Section V (D) as of March 31, 2023, shows ending net assets of \$415,747,429.63.

Secretary HODOROWICZ moved ratification of the Summary of the Trial Balance (unaudited) to the Omnibus.

INVESTMENTS

The following reports as listed in Section VI (B) dated March 31, 2023, are presented to the Board for acceptance:

Market Value of Investments Owned	VI (B) 1
Fixed Income	VI (B) 2
Equity Advisors	VI (B) 3
Alternative Investments	VI (B) 4
Real Estate and Other	VI (B) 5

Official copies of the preceding have been placed on file and made a part of the "Minutes" of this meeting.

There were no significant activities in the investment accounts.

Trustee LUX moved ratification of the Investments to the Omnibus.

MOTION TO ACCEPT ITEMS TRANSFERRED TO THE OMNIBUS

A motion was made by Vice President BIGGANE to ratify the foregoing reports as part of the Omnibus. Trustee DUGGAN seconded the motion.

Motion carried by the following roll call:

YEAS: AFFOLTER, BIGGANE, DUGGAN, EVANGELISTI
HODOROWICZ, LUX

NAYS: None

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The Executive Director updated the Trustees on the progress of the new pension administration system and the document digitalization project. The Executive Director updated the Board on the Securities Litigation & Portfolio Monitoring request for proposal. As directed, the Executive Director presented a written recommendation to the Board to retain three firms for the purposes of Securities Litigation & Portfolio Monitoring in accordance with the Fund's Securities Litigation & Portfolio Monitoring Policy and answered the questions posed by the Trustees.

A motion was made by Vice President BIGGANE to accept the Executive Director's recommendation to retain three firms for the purposes of Securities Litigation & Portfolio Monitoring. Secretary HODOROWICZ seconded the motion.

Motion carried by the following roll call:

YEAS: AFFOLTER, BIGGANE, DUGGAN, EVANGELISTI,
HODOROWICZ, LUX

NAYS: None

The Executive Director then updated the Board on the progress of the Fund Staff Payroll/Human Resources System roll out. The Board was updated on the Staff Accountant position search, the upcoming 2023 Trustee election and on the progress of the FY 2022 audit and actuarial valuation. The Executive Director discussed the employer contributions to the Fund scheduled for May and distributed the listing of Trustee fiduciary training opportunities to the Board.

A motion was made by Trustee DUGGAN to accept the Executive Director's report. Vice President BIGGANE seconded the motion.

Motion carried by the following roll call:

YEAS: AFFOLTER, BIGGANE, DUGGAN, EVANGELISTI,
HODOROWICZ, LUX

NAYS: None

REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE CONSULTANT

The Executive Director updated the Trustees on the activities of the Fund's Lobbyist and proposed legislation to add subpoena powers to Article 12 of the Illinois Pension Code.

A motion was made by President AFFOLTER to accept the report of the Fund's Lobbyist. Trustee EVANGELISTI seconded the motion.

Motion carried by the following roll call:

YEAS: AFFOLTER, BIGGANE, DUGGAN, EVANGELISTI,
HODOROWICZ, LUX

NAYS: None

REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY

The Executive Director updated the Board on the Fund's effort to collect on overpayments to beneficiaries of member #61803 and overpayments of benefits paid to member #2092970.

A motion was made by Trustee DUGGAN to accept the report of the Attorney. Motion seconded by President AFFOLTER.

Motion carried by the following roll call:

YEAS: AFFOLTER, BIGGANE, DUGGAN, EVANGELISTI,
HODOROWICZ, LUX

NAYS: None

REPORT OF THE INVESTMENT CONSULTANT

Meketa Investment Group, the Fund's Investment Consultant, distributed the Preliminary Monthly Update report as of April 30, 2023, featuring investment performance, market environment analysis, asset allocation, and individual investment manager performance. The report was reviewed in detail and the Investment Consultant responded to numerous questions raised by the Trustees.

The Trustees then heard presentations regarding the Fund's Private Credit Request for Proposals from the following firms: PIMCO, Entrust, Jefferies and Brightwood. The Trustees asked questions of the firm's representatives as the presentations were proceeding.

After all the presentations concluded, the Trustees discussed the information presented in detail with the Fund's Investment Consultant.

A motion was made by Vice President BIGGANE to select PIMCO to fill the Fund's Private Credit allocation with up to a \$15 million commitment pending successful contract negotiations. President AFFOLTER seconded the motion.

Motion carried by the following roll call:

YEAS: AFFOLTER, BIGGANE, DUGGAN, EVANGELISTI,
HODOROWICZ, LUX

NAYS: None

A motion was made by Vice President BIGGANE to select Jefferies to fill the Fund's Private Credit allocation with up to a \$5 million commitment pending successful contract negotiations. President AFFOLTER seconded the motion.

Motion carried by the following roll call:

YEAS: AFFOLTER, BIGGANE, DUGGAN, EVANGELISTI,
HODOROWICZ, LUX

NAYS: None

A motion was made by Trustee DUGGAN to accept the Report of the Investment Consultant. Trustee LUX seconded the motion.

Motion carried by the following roll call:

YEAS: AFFOLTER, BIGGANE, DUGGAN, EVANGELISTI,
HODOROWICZ, LUX
NAYS: None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Trustee EVANGLISTI moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee DUGGAN seconded the motion. Motion prevailed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting of the Retirement Board will be on **Thursday, June 15, 2023**, at 9:30 A.M. in the Judith A. Flaherty Conference Room on the 4th floor of the 3500 S. Morgan St., Suite 400, Chicago, Illinois, 60609.

Respectfully submitted,



FRANK HODOROWICZ
Secretary