TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF KENTUCKY MEETING OF THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE AUGUST 22, 2019

Minutes of Meeting:

After giving proper notice of a quarterly meeting, and a quorum being present, Chair Hollis Gritton called the TRS Investment Committee to order at 9 a.m., Thursday, August 22, 2019, in the boardroom of the Teachers' Retirement System office, 479 Versailles Road, Frankfort, Kentucky.

Members present:

Hollis Gritton, Chair
Brenda McGown, Vice Chair
William Alverson
John Boardman
Frank Collecchia
Josh Underwood
Lynn Patterson, alternate
Bevis Longstreth (non-voting)
George Philip (non-voting)

Others present:

Robert Barnes, Teachers' Retirement System Eric Wampler, Teachers' Retirement System Greg Hall, Teachers' Retirement System Tom Siderewicz, Teachers' Retirement System Karen Ashby, Teachers' Retirement System John Browning, Teachers' Retirement System Norman Combest, Teachers' Retirement System Lindsey Davis, Teachers' Retirement System Kenny Domilise, Teachers' Retirement System Mike Nohalty, Teachers' Retirement System Rahim Jadoon, Teachers' Retirement System Paul Keaton, Teachers' Retirement System Brad Cook, Teachers' Retirement System Felicia Penn, Teachers' Retirement System P. J. Kelly, Aon Hewitt Investment Consulting Jeff Stringer, University of Kentucky Laura Lhotka, University of Kentucky Mammen Chally, Wellington Asset Management Kevin Bureen, Wellington Asset Management Susan Pozer, Wellington Asset Management Ann Hollaran, Columbia Threadneedle Investments Mark Van Holland, Columbia Threadneedle Investments

1. <u>Consideration/Approval of Minutes</u>: The Investment Committee considered the minutes of the previous meeting held on May 23, 2019.

<u>Committee Action</u>: Upon motion duly made by Ms. McGown and seconded by Mr. Boardman, the minutes of meeting held on May 23, 2019, were approved unanimously.

2. Reports by TRS Staff

- 2.1. <u>CIO Observations and Comments</u>: Mr. Siderewicz reported to the committee the information on the Quarterly Investment Update for the quarter ended June 30, 2019. Mr. Siderewicz's report was informational, and the committee took no action.
- 2.2. Quarterly Report on Securities Litigation: Mr. Wampler presented the Securities Litigation Report detailing information on securities litigation activities during the quarter ended June 30, 2019. Mr. Wampler's report was informational, and the committee took no action.
- 2.3 <u>Report on Alternative Investments</u>: Ms. Ashby reported to the committee on the TRS Private Equity Portfolio for the quarter ended June 30, 2019. Ms. Ashby's report was informational, and the committee took no action.
- 2.4. <u>High Yield Manager Discussion</u>: Mr. Combest reported to the committee on the Lord Abbett High Yield fund.

Committee Action: Upon motion duly made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Mr. Boardman, the committee unanimously approved staff's recommendation of up to \$100 million from the TRS Retirement Annuity Trust, with future potential investments of up to \$40 million from the Health Insurance Trust and up to \$1 million from the Life Insurance Trust to the Lord Abbett High Yield fund.

2.5. <u>Internal Fixed Income Mandate Discussion</u>: Mr. Siderewicz reported to the committee on the creation of a TRS Internal High Yield Fund.

<u>Committee Action</u>: Upon motion duly made by Mr. Collecchia and seconded by Dr. Patterson, the committee unanimously approved staff's recommendation of the creation of a TRS Internal High Yield Fund with a commitment of \$100 million from the TRS Retirement Annuity Trust, \$5 million from the Health Insurance Trust and \$1 million from the Life Insurance Trust.

- 2.6. <u>Timber Internship Program Discussion</u>: Staff from the University of Kentucky Department of Forestry reported to the committee on the internship program. The report was informational, and the committee took no action.
- 2.7. <u>Report on Internally Managed Portfolios</u>: Mr. Siderewicz reported to the committee on the TRS internally managed portfolios for the quarter ended June 30, 2019. The report was informational, and the committee took no action.

The committee recessed for lunch at 12:15 p.m. and resumed its meeting at 1 p.m.

3. Quarterly Reports by Managers

- 3.1. Wellington Asset Management: Representatives from Wellington Asset Management presented a report on the TRS funds managed by the firm. The report was informational, and the committee took no action.
- 3.2. <u>Columbia Threadneedle Investments</u>: A representative from Columbia Threadneedle Investments presented a report on the TRS funds managed by the firm. The report was informational, and the committee took no action.

<u>Adjournment</u>: There being no further business to come before the committee, and upon motion duly made by Dr. Patterson and seconded by Mr. Collecchia, the committee adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

CERTIFICATIONS

We, the chair of the Investment Committee and the executive secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Kentucky, do certify that the minutes of meeting were approved by the Investment Committee on November 21, 2019.	
Hollis Gritton, Chair	Gary L. Harbin, Executive Secretary
	the Kentucky Open Meetings Act, KRS 61.800 et reviewed the minutes for form, content and legality.
Robert B. Barnes, Deputy Executive Secretand General Counsel	ary
•	at the meeting and duly recorded the actions of the stees of the Teachers' Retirement System of Kentucky
Felicia Penn, Recording Secretary	