# Laborers' and Retirement Board Employees' Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago Minutes of Regular Board Meeting No. 1068

**April 23, 2024** 

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Report of Meeting No. 1068 held on April 23, 2024, starting at 12:03 p.m. at the office of the Laborers' and Retirement Board Employees' Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago ("Fund" or "LABF"). The meeting was held in person and the following notes attendance:

## **Board Members Present:**

Victor Roa – President

Chasse Rehwinkel\* – Vice-President (arrived at 12:05 p.m.)

Michael LoVerde – Secretary

Melissa Conyears-Ervin\* – Trustee (arrived at 12:05 p.m.)

Thomas Crivellone – Trustee

Jill Jaworski\* — Trustee (arrived at 12:16 p.m., left at 2:15 p.m.)

Jeffrey Levine – Trustee

Craig Slack\*\* – Proxy for Trustee Conyears-Ervin

**Board Members Absent:** 

James Capasso, Jr. - Trustee

#### Staff & Consultants:

Peggy Grabowski – Management/Transition Consultant

Mark Oliver – Comptroller

Andrew Plautz – Senior Investment Manager
John Carroll – Compliance Administrator

Gladys Bernal\* – Benefits Manager

Nicole Evangelista\* – Benefits Payment Manager Ryan Kirby\* – Senior Benefits Data Analyst

Taylor Muzzy – Jacobs, Burns, Orlove & Hernandez LLP, Fund Counsel

## Guest(s): None.

President Roa determined that a quorum was present after Secretary LoVerde took attendance.

<sup>\*</sup> Denotes partial attendance during the open portion of the meeting.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Acted as Proxy only during Trustee Conyears-Ervin's absence.

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#### **Board Members:**

I am transmitting herewith the minutes for the meeting of the Retirement Board which was held on April 23, 2024. The minutes are comprised of the following:

- · Roll Call
- Public Participation
- Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings
- Schedule A: Applications for Refunds
  - 1. Refund of Contributions Due to Separation from Service
  - 2. Refund to Heirs of Deceased Members
- Schedule B: Applications for Annuities
  - 1. Employee Annuities
  - 2. Spouse, Child, and Reversionary Annuities
- Schedule C: Adjustment Refunds to New Annuitants
- Schedule D: Applications for Duty Disability Benefits
- Schedule E: Applications for Extension of Duty Disability Benefits
- Schedule F: Applications for Ordinary Disability Benefits
- Schedule G: Applications for Extension of Ordinary Disability Benefits
- Schedule H: Payment of Administrative Expenses
- Administrative Report
- Executive Session
- Administrative Report Continued
- Adjournment

All the foregoing matters were checked and were found to be hereinafter set forth.

Sincerely,

Michael R. LoVerde Retirement Board Secretary

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# **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Trustee Crivellone, seconded by Trustee LoVerde that the regular minutes of the meeting held on March 7, 2024, be approved.

Roll call: For – For – Trustees Roa, LoVerde, Crivellone, Levine, and Slack. Against – None.

It was moved by Trustee Crivellone, seconded by Trustee LoVerde that the executive session minutes of the meeting held on March 7, 2024, be approved.

Roll call: For – For – Trustees Roa, LoVerde, Crivellone, Levine, and Slack. Against – None.

It was moved by Trustee Levine, seconded by Trustee LoVerde that the regular minutes of the meeting held on March 19, 2024, be approved.

Roll call: For – Trustees Roa, Rehwinkel, LoVerde, Crivellone, Conyears-Ervin, and Levine. Against – None.

# APPROVAL OF NEW BUSINESS APPLICATIONS AND PAYMENTS SCHEDULES A - H

President Roa and the Trustees reviewed the New Business Schedules A – H of the Proposal.

- Schedule A: Applications for Refunds
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- Schedule H: Payment of Administrative Expenses

It was moved by Trustee Crivellone, seconded by Trustee LoVerde, that Schedules A - H be approved and ordered paid as listed in the Proposal.

Roll call: For – Trustees Roa, Rehwinkel, LoVerde, Crivellone, Conyears-Ervin, and Levine. Against – None.

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# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

## **Executive Director Interviews**

At this point, the Trustees decided to go into executive session.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION NO. 1**

At 12:07 p.m., Trustee LoVerde requested an executive session under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) to discuss compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees. Trustee Levine seconded the motion.

Roll call: For -- Trustees Roa, Rehwinkel, LoVerde, Crivellone, Conyears-Ervin, and Levine. Against -- None.

At 3:03 p.m., Trustee LoVerde made a motion, seconded by Trustee Conyears-Ervin, that the executive session be adjourned and that the Board return to open session.

Roll call: For -- Trustees Roa, Rehwinkel, LoVerde, Crivellone, Conyears-Ervin, and Levine. Against -- None.

It was moved by Trustee LoVerde, seconded by Trustee Levine, to authorize President Roa and Fund Counsel to engage in negotiations with a specified candidate.

Roll call: For -- Trustees Roa, Rehwinkel, LoVerde, Crivellone, Conyears-Ervin, and Levine. Against -- None.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, at 3:04 p.m., Trustee LoVerde, made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Trustee Conyears-Ervin seconded the motion.

Roll call: For -- Trustees Roa, Rehwinkel, LoVerde, Crivellone, Conyears-Ervin, and Levine. Against -- None.