AGENDA ITEM 2.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2017 INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE ILLINOIS STUDENT ASSISTANCE COMMISSION INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

James R. Thompson Center Room 2-025 100 W. Randolph St. Chicago, IL

September 13, 2017

11:30 a.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Donovan

Kevin Huber

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT: Niketa Brar

STAFF PRESENT: Eric Zarnikow, Executive Director

Kent Custer, Chief Investment Officer Shoba Nandhan, Chief Financial Officer

Roger Rojas, Investment Officer Karen Salas, General Counsel

Debora Calcara, ISAC Commission Secretary

INVESTMENT CONSULTANTS

PRESENT: Ryan Ball, Callan Associates

Brianne Weymouth, Callan Associates

Item 1. Announcements

Mr. Custer asked that a roll call be taken, which established a quorum was present at 11:31 a.m.

Item 2. Review of the Minutes of the July 27, 2017 Meeting of the Investment Committee

Mr. Huber <u>MOVED THAT</u> the minutes of the July 27, 2017 meeting be approved. Mr. Donovan seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Item 3. Investment Update

The Callan Associates quarterly report through June 30, 2017 was sent to the Investment Committee under separate cover.

Mr. Custer reviewed the risk profile and provided a brief review of the performance and allocation of the College Illinois! Trust Fund as provided in the agenda book. Briefly touching on the status of the funds, Mr. Custer also noted that Kennedy Wilson Fund III has been fully realized with the first private equity investment equating to \$11.2 million value added to the fund.

Item 4. Approval of Changes to the Watch List

Mr. Custer reviewed the Watch List memorandum and he noted although Security Capital Preferred Growth had underperformed recently, the positioning was consistent with their investment process. He also noted recent senior level organization changes at DFA and Callan were reviewed by staff and do not warrant Watch List consideration.

No action was taken at this time.

Item 5. Compliance Review

Mr. Rojas provided an overview of the Compliance reports provided in the agenda book.

No action required.

<u>Item 6. Approval of Asset Allocation and Investment Policy Revisions</u>

Mr. Custer stated a draft preview copy of the Investment Policy was previously sent to the Committee. He reviewed the proposed changes to the allocation and the draft changes to the policy as provided in the agenda book. Mr. Custer commented that the purpose of the proposed allocation change was risk reduction. Staff is aware of market valuation trends, but this is not a market timing move.

Mr. Custer noted that staff intended to initiate a rebalancing trade as soon as possible to move \$30 million from U.S. Equities to Fixed Income. The planned trade would shift the allocation inside of the proposed rebalancing ranges, but not all the way to targets. Mr. Huber inquired regarding why not rebalance to target. Mr. Custer responded that his bias was to minimize transaction costs and that cash flows for tuition payments were forecast to move the allocation close to targets by March or April of 2018.

Mr. Donovan MOVED THAT the Investment Committee has reviewed the proposed revisions to the Investment Policy and recommends adoption by the full Commission.

Mr. Huber seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Seeing no further discussion, Mr. Custer asked for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Huber <u>MOVED THAT</u> the September 13, 2017 meeting of the Investment Committee be adjourned. Mr. Donovan seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debora A. Calcara

Secretary to the Commission

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