

**Spokane Employees' Retirement System (SERS)
Board Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2022**

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m. via WebEx conference call.

Present: Joe Cavanaugh, Jim Tieken, Richard Czernik, and Brian Brill

Absent: J.D. Morscheck and Michael Cathcart

Staff: Phill Tencick, Christine Shisler, Donald Brown, and Tim Szambelan

Guests: Teri Stripes and Lauren Albanese (FIN News)

Election of the Chairperson

Joe Cavanaugh moved and Richard Czernik seconded the motion to select Jim Tieken as the Board Chairperson for the year 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of the December 1, 2021 Meeting

Joe Cavanaugh moved and Richard Czernik seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2021 meeting as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report

Service Retirements

<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Retirement Date</i>	<i>Years of Service</i>	<i>Option</i>
Leonora L. Wamsley	58	01/01/2022	15.9	ST
Lynn D. Franke	68	01/07/2022	13.6	ST
Willard H. Dornquast	60	01/08/2022	29.5	D
Riva H. Dean	65	01/22/2022	13.3	ST

Richard Czernik moved and Brian Brill seconded the motion to approve the service retirements as presented on the January Retirement Transaction Report. The motion passed unanimously.

Withdrawals for January 2022

<i>Name</i>	<i>Years of Service</i>	<i>Termination Date</i>
Dustin C. Scott	5.0	01/03/2021
Kathleen M. Myers	4.7	10/02/2021
Debra K. Cato	1.3	10/16/2021
Matthew R. Saltsman	0.1	11/06/2021
Shaun C. Mashtare	5.9	12/04/2021

Joe Cavanaugh moved and Brian Brill seconded the motion to approve the requests for withdrawal as presented on the January Retirement Transaction Report. The motion passed unanimously.

Vesting

<i>Name</i>	<i>Department</i>	<i>Years of Service</i>
Stephen M. Burns	Water	20.5
Rebecca A. Menzel	Library	15.7
Matthew J. Bailey	EMS Fund	14.2
Sally A. Stopher	Finance	6.1 Portability
Saydee A. Wilson	CD/HS Operations	3.2 Portability

Deaths

<i>Name</i>	<i>Date Retired</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>	<i>Information</i>
Wilford B. Hardy, Jr.	07/04/2017	79	07/13/2021	D Option Continues
Marilynn L. Ellingson	01/08/1987	99	11/25/2021	No Further Benefits
Rita S. Giebel	09/10/2005	84	12/02/2021	No Further Benefits
Garold R. Blair	04/05/1995	85	12/02/2021	D Option Continues

Vesting and death information provided to the Board for review.

Expenditure Summary Report – November 2021

The Expenditure Summary Report was presented to the Board and discussed.

Brian Brill moved and Richard Czernik seconded the motion to approve the November 2021 Expenditure Summary Report. The motion passed unanimously.

Schedule of Investments – November 2021

The monthly investment report was presented to the Board for review. The estimated market value of the SERS portfolio on November 30, 2021 was \$364 million with an estimated rate of return of -2.2% for the month.

Monthly Cash Reconciliation

The monthly cash reconciliation report was presented to provide the Board with additional insight into the ongoing liquidity, transactions, and cash position of the plan.

2022 Investment Outlook Review

Mr. Tencick led a presentation on the 2022 Investment Outlook. Predictions from 2021 proved to be fairly accurate at a high level, but less accurate at a tactical level. The consensus predictions for 2022 include strong economic growth, Fed intervention to address inflation, and challenging markets. Additionally, long term return estimates have decreased significantly in the past two years.

OrbiMed Partners Redemption

Mr. Tencick reviewed with the Board the letter from Hyas that was included in the packet.

Joe Cavanaugh moved and Brian Brill seconded the recommendation from Hyas to liquidate the position on OrbiMed Partners II due to higher volatility and underperformance. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Business

Joe Cavanaugh has had several employees inquire about the recent contribution rate change. He requested if Staff could prepare a history of the Plan with emphasis on the last 20 – 30 years. Ms. Shisler suggested the information could be included with the annual contribution statement that is sent out at the end of January. Discussion ensued and the topic will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Joe Cavanaugh moved and Brian Brill seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.

/s/

Phillip Tencick, Retirement Director