

**Carbondale Police Pension Fund  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, January 18 2022**

**1. Call to Order/Roll Call**

The board met remotely via the Zoom online conference platform. Paul Echols called the meeting to order at about 2:01 PM. Also present were board members Brandon Weisenberger, Jeff Davis, Anthony Williams, board attorney Dennis Orsey, and Patrick Donnelly of Graystone Consulting. Board member Kevin Geissler had a pre-announced absence.

**2. Public Comments**

N/A

**3. Minutes**

Williams moved, and the board voted by unanimous roll call, to accept the minutes from the 12/14/2021 meeting.

**4. Correspondence**

A.) Attorney Orsey discussed the continuing gubernatorial executive order as it pertains to public meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic.

B.) Discussion held during Item 8A.

**5. Bills**

Williams moved, and the board voted by unanimous roll call, to ratify a previously approved payment of \$4,635 to Kerber, Eck, & Braeckel for FY2021 audit fees.

**6. Treasurer's Report**

Davis presented the treasurer's report. The fund was at \$39,700,021 as of 12/31/2021. This represents an overall increase of \$2,020,403 for FY22. Payroll was at approximately \$255K. Davis moved, and the board voted by unanimous roll call, to approve the treasurer's report.

A.) Davis explained that the City Council is scheduled to vote on an ordinance authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds for the fund on 1/25/2022.

**7. Investment Report**

Patrick Donnelly presented the investment report (attached to minutes).

**8. Old Business**

A.) Attorney Orsey explained the continuation of court proceedings reference the challenge to the pension consolidation law. A hearing was scheduled for the day of the fund meeting (1/18/2022).

Attorney Orsey explained the IPOPIF's expectation of the fund to name liaisons and approve a transfer of investment assets no later than 2/28/2022. Attorney Orsey explained possible penalties that could arise from the fund not abiding by the IPOPIF's timeline or otherwise not communicating with IPOPIF. Williams moved, and the board voted by unanimous roll call, to table the matter until the 2/8/2022 meeting, which would allow the board to learn the disposition of the 1/18/2022 court hearing and act accordingly ahead of the 2/28/2022 deadline.

B.) Weisenberger moved, and the board voted by unanimous roll call, to authorize Attorney Orsey to liaise with the Murphysboro Police Pension Fund via written communication in an effort to facilitate Chase Rednour's portability request.

C.) Not on agenda but discussed: Attorney Orsey explained that his office received Trey Harris's doctor's report reference the annual disability review. Attorney Orsey will present that letter for discussion during the 2/8/2022 meeting.

Christine Snyder had her physician's visit for the annual disability review in December 2021. Attorney Orsey has not received the report from that visit.

## 9. New Business

A.) Attorney Orsey explained that preparations need to be under way for the next member election, set for 4/18/2022. The mayoral appointment for the spot currently held by Davis is due in May 2022.

B.) Davis explained that the county clerk should issue Statements of Economic Interest to current members within the month.

C.) Davis reported that the Illinois Finance Entity update has been completed.

D.) Davis explained there were 12 outstanding Annual Retiree Affidavits. Echols agreed to reach out to the 12 pensioners to attempt collecting their affidavits.

## 10. Application for Membership

A.) The board voted by unanimous roll call to approve the return of Kenneth Blackburn as an active member. Blackburn previously served from 1/28/2019 through 9/30/2019, with accumulated contributions of \$3,860.24 that remained in the fund. Blackburn returned to the fund as a Tier II participant on 12/6/2021.

B.) The board voted by unanimous roll call to approve the application of Ryne McCoy, a Tier II participant with a start date of 1/3/2022.

C.) The board voted by unanimous roll call to approve the application of Robert Ladove, a Tier II participant with a start date of 1/3/2022.

D.) The board voted by unanimous roll call to approve the application of Kaylan Talley, a Tier II participant with a start date of 1/3/2022. The board previously approved Talley's application on 9/21/2021, after which Talley did not meet requirements at academy and was reclassified as a civilian. In a letter to Talley dated 10/27/2021 (attached in member's file), Davis explained to Talley that she would receive a full refund of her pension contributions (\$1,513.60) due to the reclassification. As such, there is no break in service, and Talley's official entry date henceforth is 1/3/2022.

## 11. Application for Benefits

N/A

## 12. Next Meeting Date/Adjournment

Williams moved, and the board voted by unanimous roll call, to adjourn the meeting. The next meeting will be held on 2/8/2022 at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brandon Weisenberger | Board Secretary