

Lubbock Fire Pension Fund  
Wednesday, October 14, 2015  
#15 Briercroft Office Park, Lubbock Texas

The Lubbock Fire Pension Fund met in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, October 14, 2015 at 1:00 P.M.

Members Pres Members Absent

Linda Cuellar, Roger Lindsey, Chairman  
Randy Butcher Kevin Ivy, Vice-Chairman

Steve Exter, Member

Alva Littlejohn, Member

Dub Wade, Member

Staff Present

Jack Watkins

Kayla Burcham

Contractors Present

John M. Crider, Jr.

Public Present

Glenn Goldwater

Kevin Rule

Linda Cuellar, Secretary, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Due to the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Ms. Cuellar stated that it was necessary to elect a Chairman Pro Tem to preside over the meeting. Alva Littlejohn made a motion to elect Randy Butcher as Chairman Pro Tem. The motion was seconded by Dub Wade and approved by the Board.

At this point, Randy Butcher began presiding over the meeting.

**1. September 9, 2015 Board meeting minutes**

Steve Exter made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 9, 2015 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Alva Littlejohn and approved by the Board.

**2. Benefit Applications, Changes, and QDROs (Qualified Domestic Relations Order)**

Alva Littlejohn made a motion to terminate the widow's benefit to Helen Williams due to death. The motion was seconded by Steve Exter and approved by the Board.

Linda Cuellar made a motion to approve a Return of Contributions to Paeden Swinford. The motion was seconded by Steve Exter and approved by the Board.

**3. Review sales and purchase**

The Board reviewed sales and purchases. No action was taken.

**4. Preliminary actuarial valuation report as of January 1, 2015, by John Crider, consulting actuary**

Actuary John Crider expressed his appreciation to the Board as he handed out the preliminary results of the 2015 Valuation. Mr. Crider identified the preliminary amortization as 20.7 years, down from 24.3 years for the 2013 Valuation. He reviewed factors affecting the Valuation, both positive and negative; updated Mortality Tables, City contribution decrease, disability rate assumption adjustments, and increased census due to new hires. In expounding upon the the effect these changes had on the resulting amortization period, Mr. Crider commented that the majority of the change was due to the increased census. He showed that the removal of those hires from the calculation gave a result of 23.3 years and emphasized that his indicated less-than-expected experience over the two year period. Mr. Crider continued with a review of the actual rate of return history for the Fund, highlighting a gradual decline in the average beginning about the end of the 1990's. After recounting recent conversations with two of the Fund's current portfolio managers and the Fund's consultant, Mr. Crider advised the Board to consider whether an assumed rate of return of 8% continued to be a realistic expectation, considering current market conditions.

Alva Littlejohn made a motion to lower the Assumed Rate of Return from 8% to 7.75% for the final results of the 2015 Valuation. The motion was seconded by Steve Exter and approved by the Board.

**5. Consider expenses from the TLFFRA Educational Conference, September 13-16, 2015, in Laredo, Texas in the amount of \$4,807.32**

Steve Exter made a motion to approve the expenses from the TLFFRA Conference in Laredo, Texas in the amount of \$4,807.32. The motion was seconded by Linda Cuellar and approved by the board.

**6. Consider expenses for Glenn Goldwater from the TLFFRA Educational Conference, September 13-16, 2015, in Laredo, Texas in the amount of \$1,272.24 (Per Service and Software License Agreement)**

Alva Littlejohn made a motion to approve the expenses for Glenn Goldwater's attendance to the TLFFRA Conference in Laredo, Texas in the amount of \$1,272.24. The motion was seconded by Steve Exter and approved by the Board.

**7. Consider 2016 TEXPERS membership renewal in the amount of \$855.32**

Linda Cuellar made a motion to approve payment of the 2016 TEXPERS membership renewal in the amount of \$855.32. The motion was seconded by Alva Littlejohn and approved by the Board.

**8. Consider 2016 NCPERS membership renewal in the amount of \$250.00**

Alva Littlejohn made a motion to approve payment of the 2016 NCPERS membership renewal in the amount of \$250.00. The motion was seconded by Steve Exter and approved by the Board.

**9. Administrator's Report**

- Custodial Bank Report-- \$171,326,343.27
- Office expenses
- September financial worksheet
- Investments updates

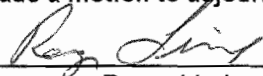
**10. Committee reports**

Alva Littlejohn updated the Board on recent interactions made by the Investment Committee. He also commented to the Board about the positive feedback received on the TLFFRA Foundation Educational Conference in Laredo.

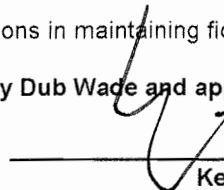
**11. Public comment**

Glenn Goldwater commented to the appropriateness of the Board decisions in maintaining fiduciary responsibilities.

Alva Littlejohn made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Dub Wade and approved by the Board.



Roger Lindsey, Chairman



Kevin Ivy, Vice-Chairman