

San Francisco City and County Employees' Retirement System

RETIREMENT BOARD

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, January 31, 2024 1145 Market Street, 6th Floor San Francisco, CA 94103 1:00 PM

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INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Leona Bridges
Joseph Driscoll
Joel Engardio
Shruti Gandhi, Vice Chair
Scott Heldfond
Tim O'Connor
A.J. Thomas, Chair

Alison Romano, CEO & CIO

Investment Committee Meeting

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OPENING CALENDAR

1.	Roll Call	Commissioner Leona Bridges	1:07 PM
		Commissioner Joseph Driscoll	1:05 PM
		Commissioner Joel Engardio	1:05 PM
		Commissioner Shruti Gandhi	1:07 PM
		Commissioner Scott Heldfond	1:05 PM
		Commissioner O'Connor	1:05 PM
		Commissioner A.J. Thomas	1:05 PM

2. 013124-02

General Public Comment

Chair Thomas called for General Public Comment.

There were no comments and General Public comment was closed.

3. 013124-03 Action Item Approval of the Minutes of the November 1, 2023 Investment Committee Meeting

Documents provided to the Retirement Board prior to the current meeting: Draft Minutes of the November 1, 2023 Investment Committee Meeting.

Chair Thomas called for public comment.

There were no comments and public comment was closed.

Action: Moved by Commissioner Heldfond, seconded by Commissioner Driscoll, to approve the Minutes of the November 1, 2023 Investment Committee Meeting.

Ayes: Commissioners Bridges, Driscoll, Engardio, Gandhi, Heldfond, O'Connor, Thomas

4. 013124-04 Discussion Item Asset Liability Study Assumptions Education

Documents provided to the Retirement Board prior to the current meeting: Staff Memorandum, Wilshire's presentation "Asset and Liability Study (ALS) Assumptions Education: Supporting the 2023-2024 SFERS ALS."

Ali Kazemi and Tom Toth, Wilshire, provided the Investment Committee with an educational session on the asset allocation process, focusing on Wilshire's assumptions including capital markets, risk factors, liquidity and other foundational items associated with the Asset and Liability Study process.

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The Committee engaged in a question and answer session.

Commissioner O'Connor left the meeting at 1:43 PM and returned at 1:47 PM Commissioner Bridges left the meeting at 1:46 PM and returned at 1:58 PM

Chair Thomas called for public comment.

There were no comments and public comment was closed.

Action: This is a discussion only item.

5. 013124-05 Discussion Item Investment Committee Member Good of the Order

There were no comments from the Committee.

Chair Thomas called for public comment.

There were no comments and public comment was closed.

Action: This is a discussion only item.

6. 013124-06 Adjournment

Having no further business, the Committee adjourned the meeting at 2:45 PM