

**ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM
BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING – CALLED MEETING**

Wednesday, January 20, 2021

4:00 p.m.

**1400 West Third Street
Little Rock, AR 72201**

ATTENDEES

Board Members Present

Danny Knight, Chair
Lloyd Black, Vice Chair*
Anita Bell *
Kathy Clayton*
Kelly Davis*
Dr. Mike Hernandez*
Shawn Higginbotham*
Michael Johnson*
Bobby Lester*
Chip Martin*
Susannah Marshall, Bank Commissioner*
Robin Nichols*

ATRS Staff Present

Clint Rhoden, Executive Director
Rod Graves, Deputy Director*
Tammy Porter, Ex. Asst/Board Secretary*
Vicky Fowler, Director, Human Resources*
Wille Kincade, Assoc. Director of Operations*
Martha Miller, General Counsel*
Manju, Director, Information Services*
Brenda West, Int. Audit/Risk. Mgmt.*

Guest Present

Duncan Baird, APERS

Board Members Absent

Johnny Key, Secretary, Dept. of Education
Hon. Andrea Lea, State Auditor
Hon. Dennis Milligan, State Treasurer

* *via telephone*

- I. **Call to Order/Roll Call.** Mr. Danny Knight, called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 4:26 p.m. Roll call was taken. Mr. Johnny Key, Hon. Andrea Lea, and Hon. Dennis Milligan were absent.
- II. **Adoption of Agenda.**

Mr. Black moved for adoption of the Agenda. Ms. Bell seconded the motion, and the Committee unanimously approved the motion.
- III. **Executive Summary.** The Executive Summary was provided for reference with no questions or expansions on the written summary.
- IV. **2021 Board Election Update.** Director Clint Rhoden gave the Board an update on the upcoming Board Election.

V. **Operations Committee Report.** Bobby Lester, Chair, gave a report on the Operations Committee meeting.

A. **Proposed Modifications to ATRS 2021 Legislative Package.**

1. **Disability Retirement.**

Mr. Lester *moved to approve* the proposed Disability Retirement legislation. The Board *unanimously approved the motion.*

2. **Modification to Approved Package.**

Mr. Lester *moved to approve* the Modification to Approved Package. The Board *unanimously approved the motion.*

VI. **Other Business.** Deputy Director Rod Graves gave the Board an update on the sale of Big River Steel and the redeployment of the proceeds from the sale. Mr. Knight, Chair, asked Mr. Graves to provide the Board with an update on the American Center in Nashville, TN., at the February 1, 2021 meeting.

VII.. **Adjourn.**

Meeting adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

Clint Rhoden
Executive Director

Mr. Danny Knight Chair
Board of Trustees

Tammy Porter,
Board Secretary

Date Approved