

**MINUTES
ARKANSAS TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**Thursday, June 8, 2023
8:00 a.m.
1400 West Third Street
Little Rock, AR 72201**

ATTENDEES

Board Members Present

Danny Knight, Chair
Anita Bell
Kathy Clayton
Susan Ford
Dr. Mike Hernandez
Shawn Higginbotham
Michael Johnson
Bobby Lester
Chip Martin*
Jeff Stubblefield
Susannah Marshall, Bank Commissioner
Jason Brady, designee for Dennis Milligan
Eric Munson, designee for Mark Lowery

ATRS Staff Present

Tammy Porter, Ex. Assistant/Board Secretary
Curtis Carter, Chief Financial Officer*
Braeden Duke, Software Support Analyst
Vicky Fowler, Director, Human Resources
Mike Lauro, Manager, Information Systems*
Jennifer Liwo, General Counsel
Joe Sithong, Information Systems Coordinator*
Misty Yant, Manager, Accounting/Reporting*

Guest Present

Donna Morey, ARTA*
Mike Wickline, Reporter, AR Dem Gazette
ID: C. Black*

*Via ZOOM

I. Call to Order/Roll Call. Mr. Danny Knight, Chair, called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 8:00 am. Roll call was taken. Ms. Davis and Mr. Oliva were absent.

II. Adoption of Agenda.

Mr. Lester *moved to approve* the Agenda. Ms. Clayton *seconded the motion* and the Board *unanimously approved the Motion*.

III. Correction on Resolution 2022-23.

Mr. Stubblefield *moved to adopt* corrected Resolution 2023-23 approving the Waiver of Deadline to Apply for T-DROP Participation and the Retroactive Payment of T-DROP Plan Deposits. Mr. Higginbotham *seconded the motion* and the Board *unanimously approved the Motion*.

- IV. Convened into Executive Session for the purpose of potentially hiring a new Executive Director.** Mr. Knight, Chair, called the Executive Session of the Board to order at 8:02 a.m.
- V. Reconvened from Executive Session for hiring of new Executive Director.** Mr. Knight reconvened the Board from Executive Session at 8:15 a.m.

Mr. Lester *moved to hire* Mr. Mark White, as the new Executive Director for ATRS. Ms. Bell *seconded the motion*. After a roll call vote, the Board *unanimously approved the motion*.

- VI. Other Business:** None.
- VII. Adjourn.** Mr. Brady *moved to adjourn* the Board of Trustees meeting. Mr. Lester *seconded the Motion*, and the Board *unanimously approved the Motion*.

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 a.m.

Mark White, Executive Director

Danny Knight, Chair

Tammy Porter, Recorder

Date Approved