



Public Pension Financial Forum
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**P2F2 Board Meeting
February 2, 2017 Minutes**

Directors present: Karen Carraher, Rhonda Covarrubias, Dave DeJonge, Rob Dolphin, Karl Greve, Darla Iverson, Robin Madsen, Michele Nix

Directors unable to attend: Michelle Camuglia

Guests: None

A motion was made by DeJonge to approve the October 25, 2016 Board meeting minutes. Greve seconded the motion. The motion passed.

A motion was made by DeJonge to approve the October 27, 2016 Board Strategic Planning meeting minutes. Greve seconded the motion. The motion passed.

A motion was made by DeJonge to approve the December 15, 2016 Board meeting minutes. Greve seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report/Finance Committee –

- Financial reports as of December 31, 2016 show a balance of \$326,727.34, made up from balances in checking, savings and three CDs. Some speaker travel expenses and printing expenses may be reallocated to the pre-conference expense line item.

2017 Conference (Albuquerque) –

- Iverson and Beulah Auten will be traveling to Albuquerque on February 13-15, to work with the Albuquerque's Visitors Center, the hotel and the two evening event venues. They will also be looking at other things to recommend to attendees to do in the area.
- All of the hotel rooms at the Albuquerque hotel have been reserved by P2F2 for the conference. Iverson and Auten will inquire about a hotel they have a relationship with in case a backup hotel is needed.
- The Albuquerque Embassy Suites has a conference center as a part of the hotel. The hotel has a free breakfast buffet for hotel guests. There is a registration area that has a counter to stand behind, with a locked room behind it for conference supplies.
- There are two offsite locations for the evening events: Sunday at the Anderson-Abruzzo International Balloon Museum and Tuesday at the Albuquerque Museum of Art and History.
- The Balloon Museum is located a half hour drive from the hotel and overlooks open fields. Conference attendees will have access to the entire museum and interactive exhibits.
- Follow-up is needed in regards to a contract with the Balloon Museum. Iverson will send a blank contract to Carraher to complete and forward to the Balloon Museum.
- The Albuquerque Museum of Art and History is located across the street from Old Town. With advanced notice, Old Town stores will stay open longer.
- The Speaker Committee is starting to schedule calls and a schedule will be coming out for the Conference Committee and the Hospitality Committee.

2018 Conference (Savannah) –

- A contract has been signed with the conference hotel. A site visit will need to take place to finalize event venues.

2019 Conference (Salt Lake City) –

- A site visit to visit possible hotel and venue locations is scheduled for February 21-23.

2020 Conference –

- Nothing to update.

2021 Conference (Denver) –

- Greve will touch base with Art Hewig in regards to the three hotels that have submitted bids for the 2021 Conference.

Retiree Meeting –

- Carraher will set up a future meeting with the retirees.

Administrative Support Update –

- There are two potential candidates for administrative support.

Financial Pension Certificate Designation Program –

- Dolphin will reach out to DeJonge, Greve and Iverson to resume discussions regarding a Financial Pension Certification Designation Program and how to get a program off the ground. Discussion followed as to what the beginning focus of a certification program could be (ex. GASB 68, GASB 74 or GASB 75), and who the certification program could be open for (ex. members, employers).

Strategic Planning Follow-up Activities –

- **Website** – DeJonge has been looking at other organizations' member forum systems. One of the member forum's DeJonge was impressed with was the Association of Public Pension Fund Auditors (APPFA). An employee from OPERS is in charge of the membership at the APPFA. A member forum is something the Board is interested in pursuing. DeJonge, Greve and Nix are on the Website Sub-Committee. DeJonge will reach out to Tim Rekow to join the sub-committee and Nix will contact Casey Fink to involve him in discussions regarding the website and member forum.
- **Financial Advocacy Committee** – Greve sent out a questionnaire to members to see if there was still interest in having a monthly call and interest is still high. Suggestions to improve the calls were to have speakers on other topics on the calls and to have the member who sends a question to the member forum be on the call. The calls are still informative. The next meeting will be set up once Greve gets an updated member roster. Greve is taking suggestions for ideas or topics to include on future calls.
- **Newsletter** – Greve will begin work on the next newsletter and will be accepting article suggestions. Madsen will write two articles for the newsletter, one on GASB 74 and one on lowering the assumed rate of return, and how they are handling the rate on a funding vs a financial basis.

Old Business – none

New Business – none

The next scheduled meeting is Thursday, March 2, at 1:30 CST.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Greve and seconded by Madsen. There being no further business, Carraher adjourned the meeting.