

Minutes of Meeting

December 5, 2014



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BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2014

Electronic Ballot

**1913 William Street
Jefferson City, Missouri**

TRUSTEES PARTICIPATING: Mr. Lloyd "Joe" Carmichael, Chair
Colonel Ron Replogle, Vice Chair
Ms. Sue W. Cox
Major J. Bret Johnson
Senator Mike Kehoe
Mr. Dave Nichols
Representative Shawn Rhoads
Mr. William "Bill" Seibert
Mr. Kenneth H. Suelthaus
Mr. Todd Tyler

TRUSTEES ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESIDING: Mr. Scott Simon, Executive Director
Ms. Pam Henry, Assistant Executive Director
Ms. Greta Bassett-Seymour, General Counsel
Ms. Lois Wankum, Executive Assistant

A special meeting of the Missouri Department of Transportation and Highway Patrol Employees' Retirement System (MPERS) was held by electronic ballot on Friday, December 5, 2014. All of the above named trustees submitted electronic ballots.

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LEGAL MATTER

An emergency meeting was held in closed session on October 20, 2014, where it was discussed whether or not to change MPERS's policy regarding same-sex spousal benefits. It was determined that more information was needed, and the matter was tabled until the next regular meeting which was held on November 20, 2014. During open session, it was determined that the trustees present wished to adopt a policy whereby MPERS would recognize same-sex spouses. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the trustees requested that MPERS staff prepare an official policy for the trustees to review and vote upon, with the intention to adopt as Board policy.

The Trustees were given an opportunity to review the new policy and provide comments. A change was made to the second paragraph to include international same-sex marriages and a new version was distributed with the ballots on December 4, 2014.

After consideration, the Board, by electronic ballot, submitted their votes as follows:

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Mr. Lloyd “Joe” Carmichael, Aye
Colonel Ron Replogle, Aye
Ms. Sue W. Cox, Aye
Major J. Bret Johnson, Aye
Senator Mike Kehoe, Nay
Mr. Dave Nichols, Aye
Representative Shawn Rhoads, Nay
Mr. William “Bill” Seibert, Aye
Mr. Kenneth H. Suelthaus, Aye
Mr. Todd Tyler, Aye

The policy addressing same-sex marriages was passed on an 8 – 2 vote.