

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

Thursday, August 19, 2021

4:00 p.m.

1400 West Third Street

Little Rock, AR 72201

ATTENDEES

Board Members Present

Danny Knight, Chair
Lloyd Black*
Anita Bell*
Kathy Clayton*
Dr. Mike Hernandez*
Shawn Higginbotham*
Michael Johnson*
Bobby Lester*
Chip Martin*
Susannah Marshall, Bank Commissioner*
Johnny Key*
Hon. Andrea Lea, State Auditor*
Jason Brady, designee for Dennis Milligan, State Treasurer*

ATRS Staff Present

Clint Rhoden, Executive Director
Rod Graves, Deputy Director
Tammy Porter, Ex. Asst/Board Secretary*
Willie Kincade, Assoc. Director of Operations
Manju, Director, Information Systems*

Guest Present

Duncan Baird*

* *via ZOOM*

I. Call to Order/Roll Call. Mr. Danny Knight, called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Roll call was taken. Ms. Davis was absent. Mr. Johnny Key joined the meeting at 4:02 p.m.

II. Motion to Excuse Absences.

Mr. Higginbotham *moved to excuse* Ms. Kelly Davis from the August 19, 2021 Board of Trustees Meeting. Mr. Martin *seconded the motion*, and the Board *unanimously approved the motion*.

III. Adoption of Agenda.

Mr. Lester *moved for adoption of* the Agenda. Mr. Martin *seconded the motion*, and the Committee *unanimously approved the motion*.

IV. Executive Summary. The Executive Summary was provided for reference with no questions or expansions on the written summary.

- V. **Executive Session.** The Board has authority to fill vacant Board positions by appointment for member Trustees. One vacancy exists and the Board has asked for this item to be placed on the agenda. The Board has traditionally gone into Executive Session to discuss an appointment to the Board as allowed by the Arkansas Freedom of Information Act. Therefore, staff has placed this item on the Board agenda for that purpose.

Mr. Lester *moved to convene* into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing filling the vacant position on the Board. Mr. Brady *seconded the motion* and the Board *unanimously approved the motion*.

Mr. Knight, Chair, called the Executive Session of the Board of Trustee to Order at 4:06 p.m.

Mr. Knight, Chair, reconvened the Board of Trustees meeting at 4:37 p.m.

- VI. **Appointment of Trustee to Position No. 1 – Member Trustee, First Congressional District, to fill Unexpired Term until the next System Election.**

Mr. Key *moved to approve* the appointment of Ms. Amanda Webb, to fill the unexpired term until the next system election for Member Position No. 1 on the Board of Trustees. Dr. Hernandez *seconded the motion*. A roll call was taken, and the Board *unanimously approved the motion*. Ms. Anita Bell gave a “yes” vote with a hand gesture.

- VII. **Other Business. None**

- VIII. **Adjourn.**

With no further business, Mr. Knight *moved to adjourn* the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Clint Rhoden
Executive Director

Mr. Danny Knight Chair
Board of Trustees

Tammy Porter,
Board Secretary

Date Approved