

PUBLIC RETIREMENT SYSTEMS' ACTUARIAL COMMITTEE

**October 2, 2008
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
House Committee Room 2
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Ms. LeAnne Laviolette called the roll.

Members Present: Angele Davis, Commissioner of Administration; Ron Henson, First Assistant State Treasurer, for Treasurer John Kennedy; Representative Joel Robideaux, designee for Speaker Tucker; Mr. Gary Curran, Actuary; Mr. Charles Hall, Actuary; Mr. Tom Rice, Legislative Actuary.

Members Absent: Senator Butch Gautreaux, designee for President Chaisson.

Staff Present: Barbara Goodson, Deputy Commissioner of Administration; LeAnne Laviolette, Executive Staff Officer; Laura Gail Sullivan, Senate Retirement Committee

Also Present: Gary Hall, Director of Fiscal Control; Cindy Rougeau, Executive Director of LASERS; Maureen Westgard, Teachers Retirement System.

3. Approval of Minutes

Rep. Robideaux moved to approve the minutes from the February 1, 2008 meeting of the committee. Mr. Henson seconded the motion. There was no objection, and the motion passed unanimously.

4. Recommended Employer Contribution Rates for Fiscal Year 2008-2009 to Date

The summary of *Recommended Employer Contribution Rates for Fiscal Year 2008-2009* to date was reviewed and discussed.

5. **System Reports**

A. Louisiana Assessors' Retirement Fund

Mr. Curran presented the valuation report of the system dated 9/30/2007.

Mr. Curran moved to set the FY 08/09 employer contribution rate at 4.75%, to allow full revenue and ad valorem sharing, and to approve the report for the system. Mr. Rice seconded the motion. There was no objection, and the motion passed unanimously.

B. Parochial Employees' Retirement System – Plan A and B

Mr. Curran presented the valuation report of the system dated 12/31/2007. He discussed the details of Plan A and Plan B.

1. Mr. Curran moved to set the FY 08/09 employer rate at 6.25% for Plan B, to allow full revenue and ad valorem sharing, and to approve the report for the systems. Mr. Hall seconded the motion. There was no opposition, and the motion passed unanimously.
2. Mr. Henson moved to adopt the Parochial Employees' Retirement System Plan A report with the replacement of Exhibit 1 and the employer contribution rate at a minimum rate at 9%. Mr. Robideaux seconded the motion. There was no opposition, and the motion passed unanimously.

6. **Act 353 of the Regular Session of 2007 benefits of enforcement personnel at ATC of Department of Revenue.**

Mr. Hall presented and discussed Act 353 of the Regular Session of 2007. He asked for Shelly Johnson, actuary for LASERS to discuss the issue.

Ms. Johnson discussed the payments made to payoff the existing liability and how much more is needed to payoff the liabilities.

Mr. Murphy Painter, Commissioner of ATC discussed the accounts and revenue available to pay off the liability and he asked the Committee for approval to pay off the liability with the revenue surplus in the retirement funds. Mr. Hall stated that the ATC does not need permission from the Board to use the funds.

Mr. Hall made the motion to accept October 1, 2008 payment schedule for Act 353 and accept outstanding balance on October 1, 2008 of Act 353 as the outstanding balance for the liability for the benefits that were provided to ATC employees and to accept the amount of money Ms. Johnson indicated as the interest daily adjustment should the balance be paid at a later date and when subsequent funds become available the remaining funds would be paid. Mr.

Robideaux seconded the motion. There was no opposition and the motion passed unanimously.

7. **Act 414 of the Regular Session of 2007 benefits for certain peace officers employed by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections.**

Mr. Hall motioned to accept the annual payment due on October 1, 2008 for Act 414 of 2007 as explained and recommended by LASERS and the payments due each October thereafter. Rep. Robideaux seconded the motion. There was no opposition and the motion passed unanimously.

8. **Other Business**

- Maureen Westgard from the Teachers Retirement System discussed their role in PRSAC and discussed the economic crisis. They wanted to reassure members they had a well defined benefit plan that was guaranteed by the State of Louisiana.
- Cindy Rougeau of LASERS discussed the market and LASERS returns. She recommended we do not be concerned with a “snapshot” of the market. LASERS has a smoothing mechanism in place where you do not feel the highs and lows of the market.
- Rep. Robideaux suggested we form a committee to bring to the Retirement Committee when the next session starts.
- Rep. Robideaux moved to review RS: 1142 to determine if flexibility is there in the event these liabilities could be paid off more quickly than the existing statute allows. Mr. Henson seconded the motion. There was no opposition and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

APPROVED: February 5, 2009