

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

**Thursday, April 4, 2024
4:15 p.m.
1400 West Third Street
Little Rock, AR 72201**

ATTENDEES

Board Members Present

Danny Knight, Chair
Shawn Higginbotham, Vice Chair*
Anita Bell*
Keri Hamilton*
Dr. Mike Hernandez*
Michael Johnson*
Bobby G. Lester*
Chip Martin*
Jeff Stubblefield*
Ms. Susannah Marshall, Bank Commissioner*
Jason Brady, designee for Auditor Milligan*
Kelly Griffin, designee for Jacob Oliva*
Eric Munson, designee for Treasurer Walther*

Board Member Absent

Susan Ford

*Via ZOOM

ATRS Staff Present

Mark White, Executive Director
Rod Graves, Deputy Director
Tammy Porter, Board Secretary
Braeden Duke, Software Support Analyst
Curtis Carter, Chief Financial Officer*
Willie Kincade, Director of Operations
Jennifer Liwo, General Counsel*
Logan Pentter, Staff Attorney*
Manju, Associate Director of IT*

Guest Present

Donna Morey, ARTA*
Erin Woods, Bleichmar, Fonti, Auld LLP*
Derrick Farrell, Bleichmar, Fonti, Auld LLP*

I. Call to Order/Roll Call. Mr. Danny Knight, Chair, called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. Roll call was taken. Ms. Susan Ford was absent.

II. Motion to Excused Absences.

Mr. Higginbotham *moved to excuse* Ms. Susan Ford from the Board meeting. Mr. Bailey *seconded the motion* and the Board *unanimously approved the motion*.

III. Adoption of Agenda.

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

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

V. Potential Litigation. Director White presented the Board with the recommendation to participate in a potential securities litigation lawsuit. The Bleichmar Firm presented the recommendation to the Board.

Director White stated that staff concurs with the recommendation.

Mr. Higginbotham *moved to approve* the Recommendation to file suit on the claim as presented to the Board. Mr. Stubblefield *seconded the motion*, and the Board *unanimously approved the motion*.

VI. Other Business. None.

VI. Adjourn. With no other business, Mr. Knight *adjourned* meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

Mark White, Executive Director

Mr. Danny Knight, Chair

Tammy Porter, Recorder

Date Approved