North Los Angeles County Regional Center Post-Retirement Medical Trust Committee Meeting Minutes

September 26, 2024

Present:	Ana Quiles, Andrew Ramirez, Angela Pao-Johnson, Vini Montague
	Kimberly Visokey, Evelyn McOmie – Staff Members
	Mark Wolfe - DDS Tech Advisor, Tresa Oliveri – DDS Tech Advisor, Tim Banach – US Bank, Keith Stribling, Marianita Mendez - DDS - Guests
Absent:	Brian Gatus

- I. Call to Order & Introductions Ana Quiles called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.
- II. Agenda
- III. Public Input No public input

IV. Consent Items

- A. Amendment of Approved Minutes of the July 27, 2023 Meeting
- B. Approval of Minutes of the April 25, 2024 Meeting

M/S/C (Andrew Ramirez/Ana Quiles) To approve the consent items as presented

IV. Committee Business

A. <u>Annual Committee Orientation</u>

Vini Montague presented the annual Committee orientation, focusing on the committee's purpose, its voting members, and the two meetings scheduled for the year. The following documents were reviewed:

- 1. Review PRMT Policies and Procedures
- 2. Meeting Schedule
- 3. Approved Critical Calendar for FY2024-25
- B. <u>PFM Asset Management Report</u>
 - 1. Statement of Current PRMT Trust Value

Keith Stribling discussed the performance of the post-employment benefits account, which is a 60-40 mix of stocks and bonds. He reported that the account had a great year so far, with a 5.8% increase for the three months and a 17% increase for the year. The outperformance was mainly due to the fixed income

portfolio, which had a 4.25% increase for the year compared to the Barclay Bloomberg Aggregate Bond Index's 3% increase. Keith also mentioned that the bond portfolio had a negative 73 basis points in the last three years, while the Ag had a negative 2%.

2. Statement of Current CalPERS UAL Trust Value

Keith Stribling discussed the performance and asset allocations. He highlighted that both portfolios are at their strategic asset allocation target of 60-40, with the only change being the addition of an infrastructure fund into the real assets category. He noted that the stock portfolio is heavily weighted towards large cap US, which has been a primary driver of portfolio returns. He also mentioned that the bond portfolio's current yield is now at a reasonable level of 3.8%, indicating that bonds can make money on the coupon. Keith also presented the pension pre-funding portfolio, which is a lower risk portfolio with a 40-60 stock to fixed income allocation. He noted that this portfolio has been performing well, with returns of 5.5% for the 3 months, 8.5% for the yearto-date period, and almost 14% for the one year.

- C. <u>Review Investment Strategy for PRMT Trust and</u>
- D. <u>Review Investment Strategy for CalPERS UAL Trust</u>

Keith Stribling discussed the current state of the economy, noting the high level of fiscal policy stimulus and its inflationary effects. He also mentioned the recent loosening of monetary policy and the mixed signals from the bond market. Keith's organization is balancing geopolitical risks and potential election drama with easing financial conditions and a soft-landing scenario. He also mentioned the addition of an infrastructure fund to the portfolio. Vini then discussed the review of the investment strategy, noting that no motion is required from the board if the strategy remains unchanged. Ana Quiles clarified that any changes would need to be put on the critical calendar as an action item.

- E. Quarterly PRMT Market Value History Report and
- F. Quarterly UAL Market Value History Report

Vini Montague explained the market value history of the accounts since inception, which is a quarterly report. She clarified that the market value presented by Keith was at a different point in time, specifically June 30th. Ana Quiles highlighted the importance of Keith's presentation for understanding the current situation. Tim Banach emphasized the exponential growth over time, as shown by the contribution level and cumulative earnings over almost 20 years.

V. Board Meeting Agenda Items

- A. PFM Asset Management Report of Current PRMT Trust Value
- B. PFM Asset Management Report of Current CalPERS UAL Trust Value
- C. Quarterly PRMT Market Value History Report
- D. Quarterly UAL Market Value History Report

VI. Announcements / Information Items / Public Input

- A. <u>Next Meeting:</u> Thursday, May 22, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.
- B. <u>Committee Attendance</u>

VII. Adjournment

Ana Quiles adjourned the meeting at 5:54 p.m.

Submitted by: *Kimberly Visokey* Executive Administrative Assistant

(*) The majority of these minutes are taken from the Minutes Service submission and reviewed/edited as presented herein by NLACRC staff.

