

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
MASSACHUSETTS CONVENTION CENTER AUTHORITY
RETIREMENT LIABILITY TRUSTEES MEETING
September 29, 2022**

A meeting of the Retirement, Liability, Trustees Meeting of the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority was convened on September 29, 2022 at 12:00pm. The meeting was held at the MCCA's Boston Convention & Exhibition Center (BCEC) in Conference Room C.

Trustee Members in attendance were: Chairman David Gibbons, Michael Esmond, Christopher Donato, Devin Taylor and Michael Rodino. Also attending was Stephen MacClellan, Managing Principal at Meketa Investment Group.

I. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m., and a quorum was established by a call of the roll.

II. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Following their review of the minutes of their last meeting on June 29, 2022, the trustees unanimously approved adopted the minutes.

III. ALLOCATION FOR FY2022 YEAR END FUNDING

Mr. Michael Rodino presented on the balances of the assets and liabilities of the pension and OPEB trusts that would be reported for the Authority's year ending June 30, 2022, highlighting key drivers affecting the year end balances. Mr. Rodino noted that the dramatic reduction in the reported pension liability balance should be observed in recognition that the liability is measured based on asset valuations as of June 30, 2021. Consequently, the liability does not account for the substantial losses experienced in US and foreign financial markets during fiscal year 2022. Mr. Rodino noted that the trustees should expect to see much of the reduction in the liability reversed in the year ending June 30, 2023.

Mr. Michael Esmond noted to the trustees that the assets currently reported by Mr. Rodino did not yet reflect that the Authority drew an amount of \$13,608,792.74 from the Convention Center Fund, under the Authority's long-term retirement liability funding policy. The trustees agree that they would need to determine an allocation of these funds in a subsequent, but in the meantime the trustees discussed the option to transfer the funding to the respective trusts as soon as possible.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded the Trustees adopted the following vote:

The Chief Financial Officer is directed to allocate and transfer the \$13,068,792.74 to each trust on a pro rata basis of each trust's assets' share, as a percentage, of the

total combined assets of both trusts as of June 30, 2022. Once transferred to each trust the funds shall be held as cash or cash equivalents by each trust until further action is taken by the trustees to allocate the funding to other investment categories.

IV. TRUST INVESTMENTS PERFORMANCE

Mr. Stephen MacClellan of Meketa Investment Group presented to the trustees an Economy and Market Update; Trust Performance as of August 31, 2022; and Current Issues affecting the trusts. Mr. MacClellan noted that the impacts of high inflation and the subsequent monetary tightening by the US Federal Reserve are expected to continue into 2023. This result would likely keep valuations lower than recent highs, across most categories and markets.

Mr. MacClellan noted that the trusts are performing within the adopted targets generally, with the lone exception of the pension trust's cash balances. In support of the trustees' consideration of changes to the current Investment Policy and the related allocation of the trusts' assets, Meketa will be issuing a survey to the trustees to gauge the group's investment objectives, priorities and risk tolerance. The results of the survey would be discussed in a subsequent meeting of the trustees.

V. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Esmond noted to the other trustees that the custody bank for the trusts, People's United, had recently completed its merger with M&T Bank. The chief representative to the trusts from People's had formally notified Mr. Esmond of the change and provided updated contact information for all persons or purposes required for the trusts. All personnel from People's will remain in place under M&T and Mr. Esmond noted he didn't anticipate any obstacles to completing business as usual.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned at 1:14 p.m.

Attest:



Mike Esmond
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: 12/1/2022