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# INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN

Monday, October 28, 2019 Retirement Fund Conference Room

# **MINUTES**

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Retirement Fund Investment Committee Meeting for the Defined Contribution Plan was called to order at 12:20 p.m. Monday, October 28, 2019, in the Retirement Fund Conference Room. Investment Committee Chairman Gerard Cruz officiated.

#### **Board of Trustees Present:**

Gerard A. Cruz, Chairman Thomas H. San Agustin, Member

# **Staff Present:**

Paula Blas, Director

#### **Investment Consultant Present:**

Cameron Systermans, Mercer Investment Consulting, Inc.

Trustees:

Wilfred P. Leon Guerrero, Ed.D. Chairman

Antolina S. Leon Guerrero

Katherine T.E. Taitano Secretary Chair, Members and Benefits Committee

Gerard A. Cruz Treasurer Chair, Investment Committee

Artemio R.A. Hernandez, Ph.D. Trustee

Thomas H. San Agustin Trustee

George A. Santos

#### II. ACTION ITEMS

1. September 19, 2019 Regular Investment Committee Meeting Minutes

Committee Member Thomas San Agustin, seconded by Committee Chairman Gerard Cruz, moved to approve the Minutes of the September 19, 2019 Regular Investment Committee Meeting, subject to technical corrections. Without objection, the motion passed.

#### III. OPEN ITEMS

None

# IV. NEW BUSINESS

### 1. DC Plan Quarterly Performance

Committee Chairman Cruz stated that Cameron Systermans of Mercer Investment Consulting, Inc. provided an overview of the current Economic Outlook and the DC Plan's Investment Performance for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2019.

#### **Recommendation:**

## a. Replace Transamerica International Equity Fund

Mr. Systermans stated that Mercer's recommendation is to replace Transamerica International Equity Fund due to their underperformance. Transamerica has been on Watch since April 2019.

Committee Chairman Gerard Cruz, seconded by Committee Member Thomas San Agustin, moved to accept Mercer Investment Consulting, Inc.'s recommendation to replace Transamerica International Equity Fund. Without objection, the motion passed.

# b. DC Revenue Sharing

Mr. Systermans stated that Mercer's recommendation is to review the DC Plan revenue analysis as presented by Mercer. Several options were presented by Mercer:

- charge DC participants a flat dollar fee; or
- a combination of a flat fee and percentage of assets; or
- a combination of a flat fee and forfeiture funds; or
- a combination of a flat fee and government contributions

Mr. Systermans stated that this item will be discussed further at the January 2020 Due Diligence Meeting.

# V. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

#### 1. 5-Year Plan

A copy of the 5-Year Plan was provided to the Committee for review and informational purposes.

# VI. OPEN DISCUSSION

Bjorn Hauerbach, Client Relations & Participant Engagement, Empower Retirement, stated that he would like to introduce a strategy of changing the default investment option to a Managed Account Program. Mr. Hauerbach stated that he will discuss the details of the Managed Account Program at tomorrow's Board Meeting.

#### VII. CORRESPONDENCE

None

#### VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Next Due Diligence Meeting: January 30, 2020

Committee Chairman Cruz informed the Committee that the next Quarterly Performance meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 30, 2020.

# IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Investment Committee, a motion was made by Committee Member Thomas San Agustin, seconded by Committee Chairman Gerard Cruz, to adjourn the meeting at 12:45 p.m. Without objection, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

JACKIE/M. BLAS
Recording Secretary

GERARD A. CRUZ

Investment Committee Chairman