#### SWIB Board Materials for September 14, 2022

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#### **AGENDA / NOTICE**



Name of Meeting: Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

**Date/Time:** Wednesday, September 14, 2022 Approx. 9:20 am (following Benchmark and

Performance)

**Room:** Board Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

Address: 121 E. Wilson St., Madison WI 53703

#### **OPEN SESSION**

- 1. Committee Reports Open Session Items
  - A. Strategic Planning and Corporate Governance Committee
  - B. Audit and Finance Committee
  - C. Compensation and Workforce Development Committee
  - D. Benchmark and Performance Committee
- 2. Consent Agenda
  - A. Minutes of June 15, 2022 and August 4, 2022
  - B. Recommended Actions from Committee Agendas Open Session Items
- 3. Investment Forum Recap
- 4. Fiduciary & Public Records Topics
- 5. Investment Performance and Market Updates
  - A. Board Investment Performance Report, Q2 2022
  - B. Callan Quarterly Report
- 6. Investment Committee Open Session Business
  - A. Amendments to WRS Investment Committee Investment Guidelines
  - B. Approved Open Session Investment Committee Meeting Minutes for May 24, June 28 and July 26, 2022
  - C. Final Open Session Agenda for August 23, 2022 and Draft Open Session Agendas for September 27 and October 25, 2022
- 7. Quarterly Investment Update, Q2 2022

#### **CLOSED SESSION\***

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<sup>\*</sup> The motion to go into closed session at this meeting is made (i) pursuant to Sections 19.36(5) and 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes to (a) consider confidential and proprietary strategies for the investment of public funds relating to specific proprietary investment strategies of internal WRS portfolios and risk management, and (b) approve prior closed session minutes that discuss the same; and (ii) pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes to review performance evaluation data for SWIB's board of trustees. The Board may convene in additional closed sessions or announce additional closed session items at the meeting in accordance with the procedure outlined in the Attorney General's Opinion reported at 66 OAG 106 (1977). Whenever a closed session is held, the Board will subsequently reconvene in open session to cover remaining agenda items.



#### **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

- 8. Announcement of Matters Taken Up in Closed Session
- 9. In the Absence of Questions, the Following Reports will be Filed Without Comment (For informational purposes):
  - A. Draft Open Session Minutes of May 18, 2022 Enterprise Risk and Compliance Committee Meeting
  - B. New Contracts, Q2 2022
  - C. Quarterly Charges to Funds Reports, Q2 2022
  - D. Private Markets and Funds Alpha Commitments, Q2 2022
- 10. Future Items for Discussion
- 11. Motion to Adjourn

NOTES: Items may be taken in order other than listed. Estimated times are for planning purposes only. Agenda items will last until discussion is concluded.

The meeting site is physical accessible. Upon prior request, reasonable accommodations will be provided.

### Tab 1 - Committee Reports - Open Session Items

- A. Strategic Planning and Corporate Governance Committee
- B. Audit and Finance Committee
- C. Compensation and Workforce Development Committee
- D. Benchmark and Performance Committee



Pursuant to the Board Procedures, a Secretary and an Assistant Secretary are elected each year. The Governor appoints the Board Chair and Vice Chair.

#### Barb Nick, Vice-Chair and Secretary Sara Chandler, Assistant Secretary

Pursuant to each Committee Charter, the Board Chair shall appoint members of each Committee and appoint members to serve as Committee chair, vice chair and secretary for terms not to exceed one year. These appointments shall be in effect until February 28, 2023.

#### **Audit and Finance Committee**

Kristi Palmer, Chair

John Voelker, Vice Chair & Secretary

Clyde Tinnen

David Stein

State Controller, ex-officio

State Auditor, ex-officio

#### **Benchmark and Performance Committee**

Dave Schalow, Chair

Clyde Tinnen, Vice Chair & Secretary

Esther Ancel

Jeff DeAngelis

#### **Compensation Committee**

David Stein, Chair

Jeff DeAngelis, Vice Chair & Secretary

Barb Nick

Dave Schalow

#### **Strategic Planning and Corporate Governance Committee**

Barb Nick, Chair

Esther Ancel, Vice Chair & Secretary

Kathy Blumenfeld

Kristi Palmer

John Voelker

<sup>\*</sup>If a member has not been appointed, the Board Chair reserves the right to appoint additional Committee members on a temporary or permanent basis.

### Tab 2 - Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes of June 15, 2022 and August 4, 2022
- B. Recommended Actions from Committee Agendas Open Session Items

#### Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

#### Wednesday, September 14, 2022 STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD

#### CONSENT AGENDA – OPEN SESSION ITEMS

#### **Proposed Motions**:

- 1. Move to approve the Open Session Minutes and Closed Session Minutes of June 15, 2022 and August 4, 2022, in each case, as presented.
- 2. Move to approve the amended Total Cost of Management Plan and Policy, as recommended by the Strategic Planning and Corporate Governance Committee.
- 3. Move to approve the amended Compensation Plan, as recommended by the Compensation and Workforce Development Committee.
- 4. Move to approve the amended Incentive Compensation Deferral Policy, as recommended by the Compensation and Workforce Development Committee.

#### STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD

Board Meeting & Investment Forum – Open Session Tuesday/Wednesday, June 14-15, 2022

Investment Forum: Teleconference Regular Board Meeting: 121 East Wilson Street, Madison, Wisconsin

#### **OPEN SESSION**

Dave Stein, Chair, called the meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 1:30 p.m. on June 14, 2022. Trustee Stein introduced the other Trustees and Edwin Denson, Executive Director/Chief Investment Officer. Mr. Denson thanked the CFA Society Madison for joining the Board of Trustees in hosting this annual event and then acknowledged and thanked the planning committee and additional contributors.

#### **INVESTMENT FORUM** (Session I, June 14, 2022) (See Attachment 1 for Attendance List)

1. <u>ESG Meets Investing: You can Do Good and Do Well</u>
Panos Seretis, Managing Director, Head of ESG, Sustainable Finance EMEA, Bank
of America Merrill Lynch

Panos Seretis, Managing Director at Bank of America Merrill Lynch, discussed ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) focused investing, which is the fastest growing investing theme over the past five years. Beyond the environmental and societal benefits of ESG investing, one of the largest benefits is to portfolio risk management, as using ESG screens may help to avoid the negative impacts of reputational risk on stock performance as well as reduce the risk of bankruptcy. Mr. Seretis cited a study by Bank of America showing that 90% of bankruptcies from 2005-2015 could have been avoided by screening out poor ESG scores.

Historically, he noted, the E (Environmental) part of ESG has been the focus, especially around carbon emissions; however, he expects the focus will expand over the next few years to include biodiversity with new 2030 European Union targets focused on waste, land, and water management. In addition, there has been a recent increased focus on the S (Social) part of ESG investing. As far as idea generation goes, Mr. Seretis believes the devil is in the details, where screens require the use of different metrics across sectors and geographies. Given the fast growth in ESG, it is important that regulations keep up, and investors can expect to see an increase over the coming years in the form of minimum ESG thresholds for investment funds, as well as increased disclosure requirements for corporations.

## 2. <u>Combining Big Data, Academic Research and Traditional Fundamentals for Market and Macro Analysis</u>

Dan Gerard, Senior Multi Asset Strategist, State Street

Dan Gerard, Senior Multi Asset Strategist at State Street, provided his insights into the drivers of risk and return for global financial markets for the rest of 2022. Mr. Gerard noted that financial markets remain very macro-driven as risk concentration continues to be high. Given this risk concentration, Mr. Gerard believes the Federal Reserve and China will continue to be outsized contributors to market volatility. The fundamental growth backdrop is still relatively strong, but he projects that this will lead the Federal Reserve to be more aggressive than the markets have currently priced in. Mr. Gerard predicts that China's prioritizing of COVID over growth will continue to result in an impinged supply chain, hurting market normalization. Persistent inflation and risks to growth mean investors will need to be selective in market exposure, and Mr. Gerard believes investors must balance quality defensive positions with commodity exposure for an inflation hedge, as well as anti-cyclical growth assets like Health Care.

## 3. <u>Alternative Proteins Industry: Trends and Innovations</u> Sharyn Murray, Senior Investor Engagement Manager, Good Food Institute

The Good Food Institute (GFI) is a nonprofit organization working to build a sustainable, secure, and just food system by partnering with companies and investors to drive investment, accelerate innovation, and scale the supply chain. Sharyn Murray, Senior Investor Engagement Manager at GFI, described the increasing food production gap and the solution that alternative proteins can provide to mitigate the environmental impact of our food system, decrease the risk of zoonotic disease, and ultimately feed more people with fewer resources. Ms. Murray reviewed the science and technological advances of plant-based meat, cultivated meat, and fermentation, along with the remaining challenges to enable scaled consumer adoption. As an example, she described how the more mature market for plant-based milk products accounts for 15% of retail milk market share, showing the potential for other categories like alternative proteins. Plant-based meat is the leading alternative protein category and has already experienced annual sales growth of 14%, despite remaining a very small part of the total market. Looking forward, Ms. Murray noted that the industry is focused on innovation in taste and texture and the ability to achieve scaled production and distribution that will allow price parity.

The Board recessed for the day at 4:23 p.m.

#### **REGULAR BOARD MEETING** (June 15, 2022)

**Board Members Present:** Dave Stein, Chair

Esther Ancel, Trustee Kathy Blumenfeld, Trustee Kristi Palmer, Trustee Timothy Sheehy, Trustee Clyde Tinnen, Trustee John Voelker, Trustee

**Staff/Others Present:** Nathan Ballard, Senior Legal Counsel

Brandon Brickner, Internal Audit Director

Sara Chandler, Chief Legal Counsel

Edwin Denson, Executive Director/Chief Investment Officer

Anne-Marie Fink, Private Markets & Funds Alpha Chief Investment Officer

Greg Fletcher, Performance Director Mike Jacobs, Agency Business Director

Rochelle Klaskin, Deputy Executive Director/Chief Administrative Officer

Leo Kropywiansky, Senior Portfolio Manager

Matt Marek, Senior Analyst

Dawn Tuescher, Executive Administrative Assistant

Sam Rebenstorf, Legislative Audit Bureau

Chris Levell, NEPC

Bob Schaefer, State Engineers Association & Wisconsin Coalition of

Annuitants

(Some individuals may have attended only portions of the meeting.)

Trustee Stein, Chair of the Board, declared a quorum was present and called the Board of Trustees meeting back to order at 9:55 a.m. on Wednesday, June 15, 2022.

Trustee Stein announced that this will be the last meeting for Trustee Sheehy. Trustee Stein thanked Trustee Sheehy for his service on the Board since February 2016, and for serving admirably as Vice Chair and Secretary on the Compensation and Audit and Finance Committees.

Trustee Sheehy thanked and commended Chairman Stein for providing the Board with strong leadership as well as the rest of the Trustees for their professionalism and friendship and commented on how much he has enjoyed his time on the SWIB Board.

#### 1. Committee Reports – Open Session Items

#### A. Audit and Finance Committee

Trustee Palmer, Chair of the Audit and Finance Committee, reported that in open session, after approving the prior meeting minutes, the Committee heard from Brandon Brickner, Internal

Audit Director, regarding (1) the open audit issues report, (2) the Asset Allocation Process draft audit report, (3) annual affirmations and disclosures, (4) the status of the 2022 internal audit plan, and (5) the five-year audit summary. The Committee reviewed and discussed (1) GIPS standards, (2) the Q1 2022 Quarterly Cost of Management Update, (3) and the FY 2023 Total Cost of Management Reconciliation. In closed session, the Committee approved prior meeting minutes, reviewed and approved the draft audit report for SimCorp Pre-Implementation Review, and met with the Internal Audit Director in Executive Closed Session.

#### **B.** Strategic Planning and Corporate Governance Committee

Trustee Ancel, Vice-Chair of the Strategic Planning and Corporate Governance Committee, reported that in open session, after approving the prior meeting minutes, the Committee heard a report from SWIB's Hedge Fund Consultant, Aksia LLC, and was updated by staff on the status of Project Centum. The Committee also approved amendments to the Corporate Governance Policy and the Securities Litigation Procedures. During closed session, the Committee received an additional update regarding Project Centum and met with Edwin Denson, Executive Director/Chief Investment Officer, to discuss his 2022 performance goals.

#### C. Compensation Committee

Trustee Stein, Chair of the Compensation Committee, reported that in open session, the Committee approved (1) prior meeting minutes, (2) amendments to the Compensation Committee charter, and (3) amendments to the SWIB Recruitment Philosophy. The Committee also received a recruiting update and heard from McLagan regarding a proposed long-term incentive plan. In closed session, after approving prior meeting minutes, the Committee had further discussion regarding long term incentive plans.

#### 2. Consent Agenda

Sara Chandler, Chief Legal Counsel, distributed a proposed consent agenda. Trustee Stein asked whether there were any motions listed on the consent agenda that should be removed for further discussion and individual action. Hearing none, he referred to the following items on the consent agenda:

- Move to approve the Open Session Minutes, Closed Session Minutes, and Executive Closed Session Minutes, in each case, of March 16, 2022, as presented.
- Move to approve the FY 2023 Chapter 20 Operating Budget of \$102.7 million, as recommended by the Audit and Finance Committee.
- Move to approve the amended Corporate Governance Policy, as amended and recommended by the Strategic Planning and Corporate Governance Committee.
- Move to approve the amended Securities Litigation Procedures, as recommended by the Strategic Planning and Corporate Governance Committee.
- Move to approve the amended Compensation and Workforce Development Committee Charter, as recommended by the Compensation Committee.

➤ Move to approve the amended SWIB Recruitment Philosophy, as recommended by the Compensation Committee.

<u>Motion</u>: A motion was made by Trustee Sheehy and seconded by Trustee Palmer to approve the consent agenda, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 3. Investment Performance and Market Updates

#### A. Board Investment Performance Report, Q1 2022

Greg Fletcher, Performance Director, presented the *Investment Performance Report*, as of March 31, 2022, included on pages 19-48 of the meeting materials. Mr. Fletcher reported that (a) the Core Trust Fund (CTF) returned -3.42% net of all in Q1 2022, resulting in an excess return of 30 basis points (bps) for the quarter, (b) the CTF returned 9.94% net of all for the one-year period, resulting in an excess return of 99 bps, (c) the CTF five-year net-of-fee return of 10.75% outperformed the Policy Benchmark by 59 bps on an annualized basis, and (d) the CTF gross return outperformed the 60/40 Reference Portfolio return by 92.3% (cumulative) over the past 20 years, which equates to \$34.7 billion.

Mr. Fletcher highlighted that the CTF net-of-fee return outperformed its benchmark for the three-, five-, ten-, twenty- and thirty-year time periods, and the Variable Trust Fund (VTF) had strong absolute returns over all time periods with excess returns over its benchmark for the ten-year period. Mr. Fletcher then noted that SWIB's investment management has added more than \$2.6 billion above benchmark returns to the WRS over the last five years

Mr. Fletcher then discussed that the percentage of WRS assets that were internally managed had remained stable at roughly 50% over the last few years. He also highlighted that the percentage of actively managed assets continued to increase in 2022. Next, Mr. Fletcher: (a) provided a breakdown of CTF asset class exposures, noting that all are within target range and that the portfolio remains well diversified; (b) reviewed the asset class performance for the CTF over various time periods; (c) reviewed VTF performance and asset class exposures, noting asset class exposures were within target range; and (d) noted that all Separately Managed Funds had positive relative performance over most time periods, with three slightly under-performing year-to-date.

Mr. Fletcher concluded by reviewing the *Leverage Performance*, included on pages 34-35 of the meeting materials. He noted that policy leverage contributed 51bps of loss to CTF absolute performance year-to-date, as expected in a negative return environment.

#### **B.** Callan Quarterly Report

Mr. Fletcher noted that the *Callan Quarterly Report Summary* as of March 31, 2022 was included on pages 36-40 of the meeting materials. He highlighted that SWIB's total fund unadjusted rankings are in the top quartile of peer returns over the 3- and 5-year periods, second quartile for the 10-year period, and at median for the 1-year period. Mr. Denson called attention to the 10-year return consistency, noting that SWIB's approach to risk and asset allocation versus the policy target and peers generated meaningful outperformance following Q1 2020.

#### 4. Investment Committee Open Session Business

#### A. Amendments to WRS Investment Policy

Ms. Chandler reviewed changes to the *Wisconsin Retirement System Investment Policy*, included on pages 50-51 of the meeting materials, noting that the amendment revised the policy so that there was not a minimum number of members of the Management Council.

<u>Motion</u>: A motion was made by Trustee Stein and seconded by Trustee Blumenfeld to approve the amendments to the WRS Investment Policy, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **B.** Amendments to WRS Investment Committee Investment Guidelines

Ms. Chandler discussed amendments to the SWIB Investment Committee WRS Investment Guidelines, made by the Investment Committee on March 19, 2022 and included on pages 52-98 of the meeting materials, noting that the revised guidelines reflect the Committee's ongoing implementation of the 2022 asset allocation approved by the Board in December 2021. She noted (a) minor updates to the guidelines related to ETFs and ETNs, (b) new guidelines for the leveraged loan portfolio, and (c) amendments to allow below-investment-grade short-term holdings for the mortgage-backed securities portfolio.

#### C. Approved Open Session Investment Committee Minutes

Ms. Chandler stated that the approved open session minutes of the February 22, March 29, and April 26, 2022 Investment Committee meetings were included on pages 99-115 of the meeting materials for the Board's review and noted that staff had previously reviewed the agendas for these meetings with the Board.

#### D. Agendas for Upcoming Meetings

Ms. Chandler also stated that the final open session agenda for the May 24, 2022 Investment Committee meeting and the draft open session agendas for the June 28 and July 26, 2022 meetings were included on pages 116-121 of the meeting materials for the Committee's review.

#### 5. Quarterly Investment Update, Q1 2022

Edwin Denson presented the *Quarterly Investment Update*, included on pages 123-155 of the meeting materials. Mr. Denson began with a brief commentary on the CTF 5-year return estimate, which projects a five-year annualized return of 10.4% using NEPC assumptions for 2022, but which is reduced to 7.3% when using preliminary realized year-to-date returns through April. He commented that since April the CTF has lost approximately an additional 4%, which takes the five-year annualized return projection lower, to approximately 6.5%. Mr. Denson stated that ETF projects it would take a loss of approximately 18% in 2022 before any negative annuity adjustments would be triggered. Noting that every asset class benchmark has experienced losses this year, Mr. Denson commented that the five-year estimate is impacted by two key components, the losses across the market in 2022, but also the fact that a positive 15.8% return for 2017 is no longer included in the five-year period.

Leo Kropywiansky, Senior Portfolio Manager-Asset & Risk Allocation, then presented the

Economic Outlook portion of the presentation. Mr. Kropywiansky opined that while inflation remains high, disinflation remains the most plausible path over the next two years, in large part due to the Federal Reserve's (Fed) signaled tightening over the next year. Mr. Kropywiansky cautioned that continued 75 basis point rate increases could be a signal of stronger inflation concerns from the Fed and noted that it will likely take six to eighteen months before the full effect of these interest rate increases can be observed. Overall, he sees a general consensus for a "soft landing," with real GDP growth dipping below 2% in 2024, but a shallow recession in the next two years is a live possibility.

Mr. Denson and Mr. Kropywiansky then addressed questions from the Board and noted the *Asset Class Review* presentations were included in the materials for the Board's review.

#### 6. Motion to Convene in Closed Session

<u>Motion</u>: A motion to convene in closed session pursuant to Sections 19.36(5) and 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes to consider confidential and proprietary strategies for the investment of public funds relating to specific proprietary investment strategies of internal WRS portfolios, risk management, and asset allocation, and to approve prior closed session minutes that discuss the same was made by Trustee Stein and seconded by Trustee Sheehy.

The Chair called for a roll call vote.

Ancel-Aye Blumenfeld-Aye Palmer-Aye Sheehy-Aye Stein-Aye Tinnen-Aye Voelker - Aye

There being seven ayes and no nays, the Chair declared the motion passed. The Board convened in closed session at 11:15 a.m. and reconvened in open session at 11:57 a.m.

#### 7. Announcement of Board Actions Relating to Items Taken up in Closed Session

Trustee Stein announced that while in closed session the Board received updates on risk management and asset allocation and discussed Investment Committee closed session business.

#### 8. Reports Filed Without Comment

In the absence of questions, the following reports, included on pages 207-222 of the meeting materials, were filed without comment: (a) New Contracts, Q1 2022; (b) Quarterly Charges to Funds Report, Q1 2022; and (c) Private Markets and Funds Alpha Commitments, Q1 2022.

#### 9. Future Items for Discussion

There were no future items for discussion noted.

The Board recessed at 11:59 a.m.

#### **INVESTMENT FORUM** (Session II, June 15, 2022) (See Attachment 1 for Attendance List)

The Chair called Session II of the Investment Forum to order at 1:30 p.m.

#### 1. <u>2022 Policy Outlook & Midterm Election Impact</u> Liam Donovan, Principal, Bracewell, LLP

Liam Donovan, Principal at Bracewell, LLP, discussed the policy outlook for 2022 and the impact of the midterm elections. He began by commenting on the amount Congress is trying to accomplish during this usually slow time of year, as he believes Democrats would like to get something done given their midterm prospects for retaining the House and Senate. Democrats main focus is on alternatives to the now dead \$3.5T Build Back Better, which would focus on energy/climate and health policy (including drug pricing and ACA premium support). Republicans are focused on deficit reduction and program funding.

With midterm elections approaching, the Democrats are facing a tough environment with an overall Presidential approval rating of 38.9%, with Biden's approval rating underwater in 33 states (including eight that he won in 2020). This backdrop is setting up well for Republicans to gain seats this election cycle. Negative public opinion is mostly being driven by inflation, and there are two likely scenarios expected, both resulting in not much getting done. The first is that the GOP takes control of the House, while Democrats retain control of the Senate. In this scenario, the Republicans will likely gain little more than House oversight. The second scenario is that the GOP takes control of both the House and the Senate, resulting in the GOP forcing significant legislative concessions, handcuffing the Biden Administration's regulatory agenda, and controlling full veto power over nominations. Either scenario is going to result in a lot of institutional turnover and polarization as both parties are expected to look much younger and more extreme in their views.

# 2. <u>Supply Chain Disruptions: Where We Are and Where We (Might) Be Going</u> Jake Dean, Director of the Grainger Center for Supply Chain Management, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Jake Dean, Director of the Grainger Center for Supply Chain Management at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, discussed the current state of the supply chain disruption and contributing factors, including quickly changing patterns of durable goods consumption, cost inflation within the supply chain, and stock availability. Mr. Dean believes that COVID-related disruptions to the supply chain have been mostly worked through and that current challenges are coming from other factors. Inventory levels are the resulting shock absorber and a key metric for the condition of supply chains. Mr. Dean discussed the trend of regionalization of suppliers and innovation in software and robotics, which may contribute to long-term changes in supply chain management. Mr. Dean stated that the timing of supply chain normalization will remain uncertain until there is a new normal for consumption patterns, which remain in a state of unpredictable change and could be pushed out by a recession.

#### 3. Think for Yourself

Vikram Mansharamani, Harvard University Lecturer, Author and Investor

Vikram Mansharamani discussed the concepts behind his book, *Think for Yourself: Restoring Common Sense in an Age of Experts and Artificial Intelligence*, which is a guide for those

looking to restore self-reliant thinking in a data-driven and technology-dependent yet overwhelmingly uncertain world. Mr. Mansharamani stressed the importance of taking a generalist viewpoint and using multiple sources of information flows in order to triangulate independent conclusions that have less bias.

#### 4. Adjournment

Trustee Stein thanked the presenters and attendees for taking part the Investment Forum and adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

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#### **Attachment 1**

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| Last Name       | Name       | Representing                       | Day One | Day Two |
| Addesso         | Macauly    | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Adler           | Doug       | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Anderson        | Erica      | Perigon                            | X       | X       |
| Ancel           | Esther     | SWIB Trustee                       | X       | X       |
| Bahadoran       | Navid      | SWIB                               | X       |         |
| Baird           | Larina     | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Balaod          | John Kevin | With Intelligence                  |         | X       |
| Ballard         | Nathan     | SWIB                               | X       |         |
| Barczak         | Chelsey    | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Benish          | Chris      | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Bergstein       | Maddie     | University of Wisconsin Foundation | X       | X       |
| Blank           | Kevin      | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Bloom           | Derek      | SWIB                               | X       |         |
| Blumenfeld      | Kathy      | SWIB Trustee                       | X       | X       |
| Bormett         | Becky      | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Brickner        | Brandon    | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Brown           | Adam       | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Brusberg        | Michael    | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Burkart-Paulson | Kate       | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Cavaglia        | Stefano    | SWIB                               | X       |         |
| Chandler        | Sara       | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Chen            | Bridget    | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Cheng           | Grace      | SWIB                               | X       |         |
| Clanfield       | Maggie     | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Cliff           | Jan        | Johnson Financial Group            | X       | X       |
| Collien         | Amy        | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Comito          | Christian  | SWIB                               |         | X       |
| Covino          | Rob        | Voya Investment Management         |         | X       |
| Cox             | Dan        | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Crossman        | Andrew     | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Cullison        | Eric       | SWIB                               | X       |         |
| Cummisford      | Robert     | Wealth Enhancement Group           | X       |         |
| Dayioglu        | Tunc       | SWIB                               | X       |         |
| Denson          | Edwin      | SWIB                               | X       |         |
| Diercks         | David      |                                    | X       | X       |
| Ding            | Roger      | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Dobson          | Heather    | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Dogaru          | Alexandra  | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Drake           | John       | SWIB                               | X       | X       |
| Drummond        | Derek      | SWIB                               | X       |         |
| Ebeling         | Michael    | SWIB                               | X       | X       |

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| Eckerman   | Chris       | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Edwards    | Greg        | UW School of Business                    | X       | X       |
| Eggert     | Randy       | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Epstein    | Patti       | Wisconsin Dept of Financial Institutions | X       | X       |
| •          | Anne-       |  |         |         |
| Fink       | Marie       | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Gandhi     | Chirag      | SWIB                                     | X       |         |
| Gegare     | Ethan       | University of Wisconsin Foundation       | X       | X       |
| Giageos    | Doug        | RMR Wealth Advisors                      | X       | X       |
| Giordano   | Christine   | Markets Group                            | X       | X       |
| Greenfield | Jameson     | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Gresl      | Michael     | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Haberland  | Catherine   | Wisconsin Dept of Financial Institutions | X       | X       |
| Harmelink  | Michael     | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Hayashi    | Takaaki     |  | X       | X       |
| Hedley     | Nick        | Markets Group                            | X       |         |
| Heimsoth   | Brian       | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Hellmer    | Annette     | Johnson Financial Group                  | X       | X       |
| Holzberger | Beth        | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Hua        | Chongyu     | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Jacobs     | Michael     | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Johnson    | Nick        | SWIB                                     | X       |         |
| Johnson    | Phil        | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Johnston   | Ryan        | SWIB                                     | X       | 11      |
| Jordan     | Dave        | SWIB                                     | X       |         |
| Klaskin    | Rochelle    | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Krasowski  | Sam         | Marathon County Finance Dept             | 11      | X       |
| Lahman     | John        | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Lambert    | Linda       | WI Dept of Financial Institutions        | X       | 71      |
| Lange      | Lisa        | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Lau        | Teresa      | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Laufenberg | James       | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Levell     | Christopher | NEPC                                     | X       | X       |
| Levine     | Jonathan    | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Li         | Alex        | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Linn       | Diane       | SWIB                                     | 71      | X       |
| Lo         | Shan        | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Loboda     | Jon         | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Lu         | Shaonan     | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Lucas      | Jeff        | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Luetzow    | Bill        | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Lynch      | Sean        | SWIB                                     | X       | Λ       |
| -          |             |  |         |         |
| Maier      | Nate        | SWIB                                     | X       |         |

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|-------------------------|-----------------|--|---------|---------|
| Last Name               | Name            | Representing SWIB                        | Day One | Day Two |
| Marek                   | Matt            |  | X       | X<br>X  |
| Maroun                  | Damian<br>Mario | SWIB<br>Madata Carra                     | V       | X       |
| Marroquin               |                 | Markets Group                            | X<br>X  | X       |
| Martin                  | Dean            | SWIB                                     |         |         |
| Martinez                | Ed              | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Maung                   | Lin             | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Mazzucco                | Frank           | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Michaelis               | Stacey          | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Mukherjee               | Joy             | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Neumann                 | Chad            | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Nguyen                  | Trang           | University of Wisconsin Foundation       | X       | X       |
| Nicholson               | Chase           | SWIB                                     | X       |         |
| Nick                    | Barbara         | SWIB Trustee                             | X       |         |
| Noronha                 | Sarah           | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Olson-Collins           | Cheryll         | Wisconsin Dept of Financial Institutions | X       | X       |
| Pall                    | Jason           | UW Credit Union                          | X       |         |
| Palmer                  | Kristi          | SWIB Trustee                             | X       | X       |
| Parrish                 | Scott           | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Perik                   | Dan             | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Phan                    | Tinh            | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Planey                  | Brian           | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Preisler                | Chris           | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Rector                  | Jason           | SWIB                                     | X       |         |
| Reinke                  | Janet           | Cuna Mutual Group                        | X       | X       |
| Richlen                 | Robert          | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Risch                   | Jay             | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Rothenberg              | Jason           | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Russell                 | Brian           | SWIB                                     | 71      | X       |
| Shearer                 | Michael         | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Shi                     | Cora            | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Stanton                 | Nick            | SWIB                                     | 71      | X       |
| Stein                   | Dave            | SWIB Trustee                             | X       | X       |
| Steinbeck               | Tilly           | SWIB                                     | X       | 71      |
| Strole                  | Jacob           | SWIB                                     | A       | X       |
| Sweet                   | Adam            | Jacobson & Schmitt Advisors              |         | X       |
| Templeton               | Will            | University of Wisconsin Foundation       | X       | X       |
| •                       | Matt            | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Terpstra Tinnen         | Clyde           | SWIB Trustee                             | X       | X       |
|                         |                 |  | X       | X       |
| Tuescher<br>Vandan Maan | Dawn            | SWIB                                     | X       | Λ       |
| Vander Meer             | Jim<br>Dala     | SWIB                                     |         | v       |
| Vanderpool              | Rob             | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Versal                  | Sarah           | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Voelker                 | John            | SWIB Trustee                             | X       | X       |

|            | First    |  |         |         |
|------------|----------|--|---------|---------|
| Last Name  | Name     | Representing                             | Day One | Day Two |
| Wegner     | Gretchen | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Wetzel     | Jessica  | Wisconsin Dept of Financial Institutions | X       |         |
| Widiger    | Amy      | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Wilhelm    | Terri    | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Wisniewski | Jessica  | SWIB                                     |         | X       |
| Wolff      | Kirk     | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Wong       | Ping     | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Zhang      | Ivy      | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |
| Zire       | Mohamed  | SWIB                                     | X       | X       |



#### STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD

#### Board of Trustees Meeting - Open Session

#### Thursday, August 4, 2022

#### Via Teleconference

**Board Members Present:** Dave Stein, Chair

Barb Nick, Vice-Chair & Secretary

Esther Ancel, Trustee Kathy Blumenfeld, Trustee Jeff DeAngelis, Trustee Kristi Palmer, Trustee Dave Schalow, Trustee Clyde Tinnen, Trustee John Voelker, Trustee

**Staff/Others Present:** Sara Chandler, Chief Legal Counsel

Edwin Denson, Executive Director/Chief Investment Officer

Rochelle Klaskin, Deputy Executive Director/Chief Administrative

Officer

Dawn Tuescher, Executive Administrative Assistant

Lauren Albanese, Financial Investment News

Samuel Karasek, HFM Global

#### **Open Session**

Trustee Stein, Chair of the Board of Trustees, declared a quorum was present and called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Trustee Stein introduced new trustee Jeff DeAngelis to the Board.

#### 1. Motion to Convene in Closed Session

<u>Motion</u>: A motion was made by Trustee Stein and seconded by Trustee Palmer to convene in closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes §19.85(1)(e) to consider confidential information relating to the negotiation of contracts with consultants for the investment of public funds and to deliberate confidential strategies for the investment of public funds.

Trustee Stein called for a roll call vote.

Ancel-Aye Blumenfeld-Aye DeAngelis-Aye Nick-Aye Palmer-Aye

Schalow-Aye Stein-Aye Tinnen-Aye Voelker-Aye

There being nine ayes and no nays, Trustee Stein declared the motion passed. The Board convened in closed session at 9:13 a.m. and reconvened in open session at 12:03 p.m.

#### 2. Announcement of Board Actions Relating to Items Taken up in Closed Session

Trustee Stein announced that while in closed session the Board met with candidates for the Board's Benchmark and Incentive Compensation RPMs consultant. After presentations from the candidates, the Trustees deliberated and made a tentative selection subject to contracting.

#### 3. Adjourn

**Motion:** A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Stein and seconded by Trustee Schalow. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

| Date of A | Approval:                  |  |
|-----------|----------------------------|--|
| Signed:   |                            |  |
| •         | Barb Nick, Board Secretary |  |

Tab 3 - Investment Forum Recap

Tab 4 - Fiduciary & Public Records Topics

### Tab 5 - Investment Performance and Market Updates

- A. Board Investment Performance Report, Q2 2022
- B. Callan Quarterly Report



# Investment Performance Report

as of June 30, 2022



## **Executive Summary**

June 30, 2022

- The Core Trust Fund returned (10.13%) net of fees in Q2, resulting in underperformance of (15 bps) in Q2. For one year, the Core Trust Fund has returned (7.27%) net of fees, resulting in an excess return of +49 bps.
- The Core Trust Fund five-year net of fee return of +7.76% outperforms the Policy Benchmark by +53 bps on an annualized basis.
- The Core Trust Fund gross return outperformed the 60/40 Reference Portfolio return by +95.8% (cumulative) over a 20-year period, which equates to \$33.9 billion over the same period.



## **WRS Performance**

as of June 30, 2022

|                               | l.             | Net of All Fee and Expense Return % |            |            |  |  |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|--|--|
| Fund                          | Calendar – YTD | 1 Year                              | 3 Year     | 5 Year     |  |  |
| Core Trust Fund               | (13.25)        | (7.36)                              | 7.51       | 7.67       |  |  |
| Core Trust Fund Benchmark     | (13.33)        | (7.75)                              | 6.88       | 7.23       |  |  |
| Excess                        | +0.08          | +0.39                               | +0.63      | +0.43      |  |  |
| Net Excess Value Add (\$M)    | +\$144.5       | +\$589.5                            | +\$2,206.4 | +\$2,488.7 |  |  |
| Variable Trust Fund           | (20.07)        | (15.27)                             | 7.28       | 8.19       |  |  |
| Variable Trust Fund Benchmark | (20.26)        | (15.46)                             | 7.33       | 8.26       |  |  |
| Excess                        | +0.20          | +0. 19                              | (0.05)     | (0.07)     |  |  |
| Net Excess Value Add (\$M)    | +\$24.8        | +\$22.8                             | (\$8.3)    | (\$21.4)   |  |  |

SWIB's investment management has added more than \$2.4 billion above benchmark returns over the last five years to the WRS.

(Annualized Return shown for all periods greater than 1 yr)

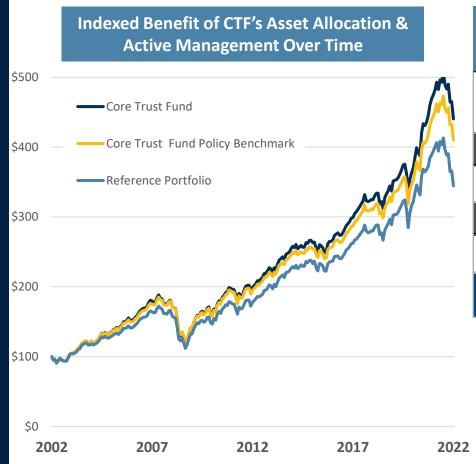
|                               | Net of Fee and Expense Return % |         |         |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Fund                          | 5 Year                          | 10 Year | 20 Year |
| Core Trust Fund               | 7.76                            | 7.95    | 7.40    |
| Core Trust Fund Benchmark     | 7.23                            | 7.52    | 7.14    |
| Excess                        | +0.53                           | +0.43   | +0.26   |
| Variable Trust Fund           | 8.25                            | 10.44   | 7.96    |
| Variable Trust Fund Benchmark | 8.26                            | 10.36   | 8.02    |
| Excess                        | (0.01)                          | +0.08   | (0.06)  |

(Annualized Return shown for all periods greater than 1 yr)



## CTF Performance vs. 60/40 Reference Portfolio

20-year cumulative return<sup>1</sup>: July 1, 2002, to June 30, 2022



| Portfolio / Benchmark                                   | Annualized<br>Gross<br>Return | Cumulative<br>Gross<br>Return | Cumulative<br>\$ Value<br>Added |  |  |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|
|   | Return                        | Return                        | = Passive                       |  |  |
| Reference Portfolio <sup>2</sup> (60% equity/40% bonds) | 6.4%                          | 244.6%                        | Market<br>Return                |  |  |
| Benefit of CTF Asset Allocation                         |                               |                               |                                 |  |  |
| CTF Policy Benchmark                                    | 7.3%                          | 310.4%                        | +\$23.6B                        |  |  |
| Benefit of  | CTF Active N                  | lanagement                    |                                 |  |  |
| CTF Actual Results                                      | 7.7%                          | 340.4%                        | +\$10.3B                        |  |  |
| CTF Excess Return vs.<br>Reference Portfolio            | +1.3% pts                     | +95.8% pts                    | +\$33.9B                        |  |  |

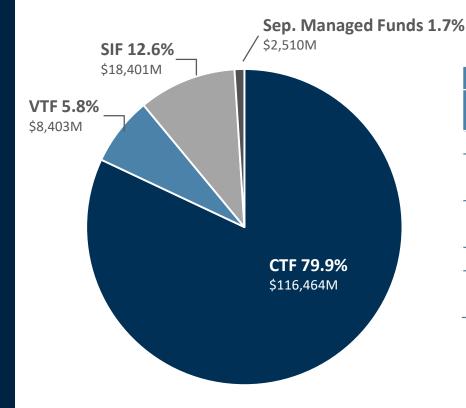
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Reference Portfolio is composed of 60% MSCI World and 40% Bloomberg US Gov't / Credit (rebalanced monthly)



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Core Trust Fund beginning market value, as of July 1, 2002, was \$49.3B and ending market value, as of June 30, 2022, was \$116.5B

# Total Assets Under Management (AUM)

as of June 30, 2022



| Gross Market Value of Assets (\$millions) |           |           |                  |  |  |
|---|-----------|-----------|------------------|--|--|
| By Fund                                   | 6/30/2021 | 6/30/2022 | 1 Year<br>Change |  |  |
| Total WRS                                 | 140,154   | 124,867   | (15,287)         |  |  |
| Core Trust Fund                           | 129,709   | 116,464   | (13,245)         |  |  |
| Variable Trust Fund                       | 10,446    | 8,403     | (2,042)          |  |  |
| State Investment Fund (SIF) <sup>1</sup>  | 15,426    | 18,401    | +2,975           |  |  |
| Separately Managed Funds                  | 2,345     | 2,510     | +165             |  |  |
| Total SWIB AUM                            | \$157,925 | \$145,779 | (\$12,147)       |  |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Excludes cash invested in SIF held on behalf of CTF and VTF



# WRS Assets as of June 30, 2022

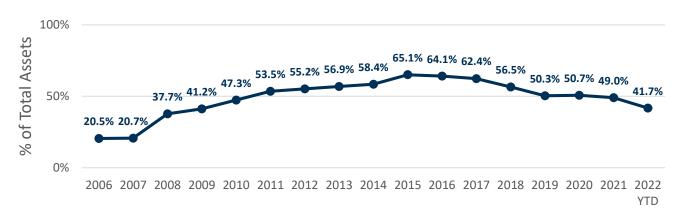
Breakdown of Active vs. Passive and Internal vs. External

#### **Actively Managed Assets**



More assets are being actively managed

#### **Internally Managed Assets**



48% of Total SWIB Assets (including SIF) are internally managed

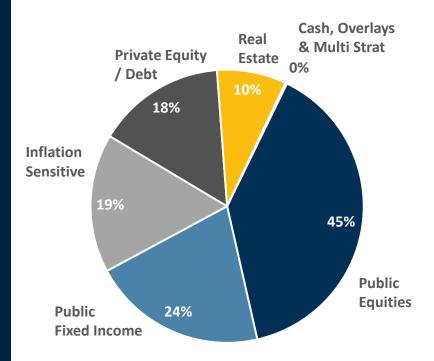


Refer to the disclosure section for additional details

## Core Trust Fund Assets Under Management

Breakdown by Asset Class as of June 30, 2022

Total Exposure - % of Total 6/30/2022



| Total Exposure \$<br>& Adjusted AUM (\$millions) |                                   |                                   |                          |  |  |  |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| Total CTF<br>by Asset Class                      | Total<br>Exposure \$<br>6/30/2021 | Total<br>Exposure \$<br>6/30/2022 | Year over Year<br>Change |  |  |  |
| Public Equities                                  | 67,140                            | 52,745                            | (14,395)                 |  |  |  |
| Public Fixed Income                              | 30,593                            | 27,819                            | (2,774)                  |  |  |  |
| Inflation Sensitive                              | 20,717                            | 22,099                            | +1,382                   |  |  |  |
| Real Estate                                      | 8,464                             | 11,061                            | +2,597                   |  |  |  |
| Private Equity / Debt                            | 14,975                            | 20,502                            | +5,527                   |  |  |  |
| Multi Asset                                      | 4,420                             | 9                                 | (4,411)                  |  |  |  |
| Cash & Overlays                                  | 28                                | (250)                             | (278)                    |  |  |  |
| Total Exposure                                   | \$146,336                         | \$133,984                         | (12,352)                 |  |  |  |
| Less: Policy Leverage                            | 16,642                            | 17,522                            | +880                     |  |  |  |
| Total CTF AUM                                    | \$129,694                         | \$116,463                         | (13,231)                 |  |  |  |

Total Exposure is composed of the gross market value of investments, plus beta exposure added or offset through derivative instruments



## Core Trust Fund Allocation

All exposures shown as of June 30, 2022

#### **Allocation – Exposure View**

|  | (\$ millions)          | As % of To              | otal Fund             |                   |   |
|--|------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---|
| Strategies   | Total<br>Exposure      | Portfolio<br>Exposure % | Benchmark<br>Target % | Target Range<br>% | Notes   |
| Public Equities  | 52,745                 | 45.29                   | 45.15                 | 39.15 – 51.15     |   |
| Global Developed   | 41,834                 | 35.92                   | 35.71                 |                   | Public & Private exposures include cash   |
| US Small Cap   | 3,640                  | 3.13                    | 3.12                  |                   | Strategies include exposure management investments  |
| International Small Cap                                  | 2,387                  | 2.05                    | 2.08                  |                   | Cash / Overlays:  |
| <b>Emerging Markets</b>                                  | 4,884                  | 4.19                    | 4.24                  |                   | Includes liquidity, overlay cash, cash used to fund synthetic beta related to Alpha Pool.               |
| Public Fixed Income                                      | 27,819                 | 23.89                   | 23.75                 | 17.75 – 29.75     | ·   |
| Investment Grade   | 19,987                 | 17.16                   | 16.98                 |                   | Benchmark Target weights are adjusted monthly to reflect the actual exposure to Private Equity/Debt and |
| Non-Investment Grade                                     | 5,103                  | 4.38                    | 4.39                  |                   | Real Estate. Offsetting adjustments are made to Public  |
| <b>Emerging Market Debt</b>                              | 2,729                  | 2.34                    | 2.38                  |                   | Equities and Public Fixed Income.   |
| Inflation Sensitive                                      | 22,099                 | 18.97                   | 19.00                 | 14.0 – 24.0       |   |
| Real Estate  | 11,061                 | 9.50                    | 9.50                  | actual exposure*  | * Target ranges reflect Board-approved corridor   |
| Private Equity / Debt                                    | 20,502                 | 17.60                   | 17.60                 | actual exposure*  | treatment   |
| Multi Asset  | 9                      | 0.01                    | 0.00                  | 0.0               |   |
| Cash / Overlays  | (250)                  | (0.21)                  | 0.00                  |                   |   |
| Leverage   | (17,522)               | (15.04)                 | (15.00)               | (20.0) to (10.0)  | Additional CTF leverage details available in disclosure   |
|  |                        |                         |                       |                   | section   |
| Total Fund – Total Exposure<br>Total Fund – Market Value | \$133,984<br>\$116,463 | 115.04<br>100.00        | 115.00<br>100.00      | 110.0 – 120.0     |   |



## Core Trust Fund: Asset Class Returns

as of June 30, 2022

| Asset Class Group: Public Equities | Performance | Total Exposure<br>Value<br>(\$millions) | Net of External Manager Fee Return % |         |        |        |                   |  |  |
|------------------------------------|-------------|---|--------------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|-------------------|--|--|
|                                    | Start Date  |   | Calendar<br>YTD                      | 1 Year  | 3 Year | 5 Year | 10 Year<br>or ITD |  |  |
| Public Equities                    | 12/31/2002  | \$52,724                                | (20.42)                              | (16.00) | 6.37   | 7.32   | 9.21              |  |  |
| Benchmark                          |             |   | (20.56)                              | (15.87) | 6.72   | 7.57   | 9.30              |  |  |
| Excess                             |             |   | +0.14                                | (0.13)  | (0.35) | (0.24) | (0.09)            |  |  |
| Global Developed                   | 2/28/2017   | \$41,155                                | (20.19)                              | (14.53) | 6.90   | 7.83   | 8.36              |  |  |
| Benchmark                          |             |   | (20.30)                              | (13.96) | 7.49   | 8.20   | 8.73              |  |  |
| Excess                             |             |   | +0.11                                | (0.57)  | (0.60) | (0.37) | (0.37)            |  |  |
| US Small Cap                       | 2/28/2017   | \$3,640                                 | (24.06)                              | (23.27) | 5.16   | 6.24   | 6.18              |  |  |
| Benchmark                          |             |   | (22.84)                              | (24.62) | 4.48   | 5.33   | 5.49              |  |  |
| Excess                             |             |   | (1.22)                               | +1.36   | +0.68  | +0.92  | +0.69             |  |  |
| International Small Cap            | 12/31/2019  | \$2,381                                 | (24.18)                              | (22.68) |        |        | (0.98)            |  |  |
| Benchmark                          |             |   | (24.50)                              | (23.70) |        |        | (1.37)            |  |  |
| Excess                             |             |   | +0.32                                | +1.01   |        |        | +0.39             |  |  |
| Emerging Market ex China           | 3/31/2022   | \$3,721                                 |                                      |         |        |        | (18.65)           |  |  |
| Benchmark                          |             |   |                                      |         |        |        | (17.91)           |  |  |
| Excess                             |             |   |                                      |         |        |        | (0.74)            |  |  |
| Emerging Market China              | 3/31/2022   | \$955                                   |                                      |         |        |        | 2.54              |  |  |
| Benchmark                          |             |   |                                      |         |        |        | 3.37              |  |  |
| Excess                             |             |   |                                      |         |        |        | (0.83)            |  |  |

(periods greater than 1 yr show annualized return, since inception returns shown for strategies with less than 10-year history)

Excess returns may contain rounding differences Refer to the disclosure section for additional details



## Core Trust Fund: Asset Class Returns

as of June 30, 2022

| Asset Class Group: Public Fixed Income & Inflation Sensitive | Performance<br>Start Date | Total Exposure<br>Value<br>(\$millions) | Net of External Manager Fee Return % |         |        |        |                   |  |
|--|---------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|-------------------|--|
|  |                           |   | Calendar<br>YTD                      | 1 Year  | 3 Year | 5 Year | 10 Year<br>or ITD |  |
| Public Fixed Income  | 12/31/2003                | \$27,819                                | (12.84)                              | (12.67) | (0.94) | 1.05   | 1.74              |  |
| Benchmark  |                           |   | (11.98)                              | (11.96) | (1.10) | 0.91   | 1.54              |  |
| Excess   |                           |   | (0.86)                               | (0.71)  | +0.16  | +0.14  | +0.20             |  |
| Investment Grade US Credit                                   | 2/28/2022                 | \$6,644                                 |                                      |         |        |        | (10.24)           |  |
| Benchmark  |                           |   |                                      |         |        |        | (9.24)            |  |
| Excess   |                           |   |                                      |         |        |        | (1.00)            |  |
| US Treasuries  | 2/28/2022                 | \$10,777                                |                                      |         |        |        | (6.73)            |  |
| Benchmark  |                           |   |                                      |         |        |        | (6.77)            |  |
| Excess   |                           |   |                                      |         |        |        | +0.04             |  |
| MBS  | 4/30/2020                 | \$2,245                                 | (10.74)                              | (11.10) |        |        | (4.98)            |  |
| Benchmark  |                           |   | (8.78)                               | (9.03)  |        |        | (4.44)            |  |
| Excess   |                           |   | (1.96)                               | (2.07)  |        |        | (0.53)            |  |
| High Yield   | 7/31/2019                 | \$5,093                                 | (19.08)                              | (17.13) |        |        | (0.88)            |  |
| Benchmark  |                           |   | (13.66)                              | (12.19) |        |        | (0.09)            |  |
| Excess   |                           |   | (5.42)                               | (4.94)  |        |        | (0.79)            |  |

(periods greater than 1 yr show annualized return, since inception returns shown for strategies with less than 10-year history)



## Core Trust Fund: Asset Class Returns

as of June 30, 2022

| Asset Class Group: Public Fixed Income & Inflation Sensitive | Performance<br>Start Date | Total Exposure<br>Value<br>(\$millions) | Net of External Manager Fee Return % |         |        |        |                   |  |
|--|---------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---------|--------|--------|-------------------|--|
|  |                           |   | Calendar<br>YTD                      | 1 Year  | 3 Year | 5 Year | 10 Year<br>or ITD |  |
| Emerging Market Debt - USD                                   | 6/30/2005                 | \$1,366                                 | (20.30)                              | (20.95) | (5.14) | (0.97) | 2.17              |  |
| Benchmark  |                           |   | (20.31)                              | (21.22) | (5.22) | (1.19) | 2.21              |  |
| Excess   |                           |   | +0.01                                | +0.27   | +0.08  | +0.22  | (0.04)            |  |
| Emerging Market Debt - Local                                 | 7/31/2017                 | \$1,364                                 | (13.66)                              | (18.86) | (5.75) |        | (3.10)            |  |
| Benchmark  |                           |   | (14.53)                              | (19.28) | (5.80) |        | (2.75)            |  |
| Excess   |                           |   | +0.87                                | +0.42   | +0.04  |        | (0.35)            |  |
| Inflation Sensitive  | 12/31/2003                | \$22,096                                | (8.92)                               | (5.09)  | 3.15   | 3.65   | 1.32              |  |
| Benchmark  |                           |   | (8.92)                               | (5.14)  | 3.04   | 3.52   | 1.25              |  |
| Excess   |                           |   | +0.01                                | +0.05   | +0.11  | +0.13  | +0.07             |  |

(periods greater than 1 yr show annualized return, since inception returns shown for strategies with less than 10-year history)



### Core Trust Fund: Asset Class Returns

as of June 30, 2022

| Assat Class Custom                                    | Danfannana                | Total Exposure        |                 | Net of External Manager Fee Return % |        |        |                   |
|---|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| Asset Class Group: Private Markets & Other Strategies | Performance<br>Start Date | Value<br>(\$millions) | Calendar<br>YTD | 1 Year                               | 3 Year | 5 Year | 10 Year<br>or ITD |
| Real Estate   | 12/31/2003                | \$11,061              | 12.71           | 25.30                                | 10.83  | 9.73   | 11.26             |
| Benchmark   |                           |                       | 15.34           | 27.26                                | 10.30  | 8.90   | 9.77              |
| Excess  |                           |                       | (2.63)          | (1.95)                               | +0.52  | +0.83  | +1.49             |
| Private Equity / Debt                                 | 11/30/2006                | \$20,502              | 6.36            | 25.97                                | 23.43  | 19.67  | 15.96             |
| Benchmark   |                           |                       | 4.27            | 21.45                                | 19.77  | 16.50  | 13.52             |
| Excess  |                           |                       | +2.09           | +4.52                                | +3.66  | +3.17  | +2.45             |
| Other strategies:                                     |                           |                       |                 |                                      |        |        |                   |
| Alpha Pool Overlay                                    | 1/31/2011                 | \$10,789              | 1.29            | 3.13                                 | 5.36   | 3.74   | 3.38              |
| Benchmark (set to zero as of 1/1/2019)                |                           | (at 1/1/22 = \$6,336) | 0.00            | 0.00                                 | 0.00   | 0.67   | 1.77              |
| Excess  |                           |                       | +1.29           | +3.13                                | +5.36  | +3.08  | +1.61             |
| Multi Asset   | 3/31/2003                 | \$9                   | (15.84)         | (10.77)                              | 6.07   | 6.09   | 5.85              |
| Benchmark   |                           | (at 1/1/22 = \$4,619) | (16.60)         | (12.53)                              | 4.49   | 5.73   | 6.59              |
| Excess  |                           |                       | +0.76           | +1.76                                | +1.59  | +0.35  | (0.74)            |
| Emerging Market Equity                                | 2/28/2017                 | \$120                 | (17.55)         | (24.01)                              | 1.13   | 1.97   | 3.46              |
| Benchmark   |                           | (at 1/1/22 = \$4,039) | (17.62)         | (25.26)                              | 0.61   | 2.23   | 3.75              |
| Excess  |                           |                       | +0.07           | +1.25                                | +0.52  | (0.26) | (0.29)            |

(periods greater than 1 yr show annualized return, since inception returns shown for strategies with less than 10-year history)



### Core Trust Fund: Asset Class Returns

Net of External Mgr Fee - Excess Returns as of June 30, 2022



**Excess Return - % points** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Either 10-year annualized return or Since Inception (ITD) annualized return is used if there is insufficient return history



### Core Trust Fund: Alpha Pool Overlay

as of June 30, 2022

|                            | Performance | Market Value  | Ne           | t of External | Manager Fe | e Return % |         |
|----------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|------------|------------|---------|
| Alpha Pool Return          | Start Date  | (\$ millions) | Calendar YTD | 1 Year        | 3 Year     | 5 Year     | 10 Year |
| Total Alpha Pool Composite | 1/31/2011   | \$10,789      | 1.29         | 3.13          | 5.36       | 3.74       | 3.38    |

- Prior to the inclusion of Global Macro and Multi Strat sub strategies to the Pool in 1Q 2022, Hedge Fund sub strategy assets composed > 90%
  of the Alpha Pool Composite
- Each sub strategy in the composite incurs the cost of implementation expense (assessed on a pro rata basis using AUM).

| Alpha Pool: Key Sub Strategies | Inclusion Date | Market Value<br>(\$ millions) | Calendar YTD or<br>Since Inclusion Net Return % |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Hedge Funds                    | 1/31/2011      | \$6,699 (62%)                 | 1.10  |
| Global Macro                   | 3/1/2022       | \$1,448 (13%)                 | -4.51   |
| Multi Strat                    | 2/1/2022       | \$2,293 (21%)                 | 3.50  |

| Alpha Pool Overlay Return (Alpha Pool + Beta Return) | Calendar YTD | 1 Year | 3 Year | 5 Year | 10 Year |
|--|--------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| CTF Policy Benchmark (Beta)                          | (13.33)      | (7.75) | 6.88   | 7.23   | 7.52    |
| Alpha Pool Overlay Return (Alpha Pool + Beta)        | (12.04)      | (4.63) | 12.24  | 10.98  | 10.90   |

(Annualized Return shown for all periods greater than 1 yr)



### Variable Trust Fund

as of June 30, 2022

#### **Performance**

|                               | Performance | Market Value  |                 | Net of Extern | al Manager I | Fee Return % |         |
|-------------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------|
| Fund                          | Start Date  | (\$ millions) | Calendar<br>YTD | 1 Year        | 3 Year       | 5 Year       | 10 Year |
| Variable Trust Fund           | 6/30/77     | \$8,403       | (20.04)         | (15.23)       | 7.33         | 8.25         | 10.44   |
| Variable Trust Fund Benchmark |             |               | (20.26)         | (15.46)       | 7.33         | 8.26         | 10.36   |
| Excess                        |             |               | +0.22           | +0.23         | +0.00        | (0.01)       | +0.08   |

(Annualized Return shown for all periods greater than 1 yr)

#### **Portfolio Allocation**

|                        | (\$ millions)  | As % of T             |                    |              |
|------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| By Portfolio           | Total Exposure | Portfolio<br>Exposure | Exposure<br>Target | Target Range |
| Public Equities        | 8,403          | 100.00                | 100.00             |              |
| US Equities            | 5,861          | 69.75                 | 70.00              | 65.0 – 75.0% |
| International Equities | 2,527          | 30.07                 | 30.00              | 25.0 – 35.0% |
| Cash & Overlays        | 15             | 0.18                  | 0.00               |              |
| Total Fund             | \$8,403        | 100.00                | 100.00             |              |

• Asset class exposures are within the Target Range



# Separately Managed Funds

as of June 30, 2022

|  | Mauliot Value             | Net of External Manager Fee Return % |                 |         |        |        |                   |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|---------|--------|--------|-------------------|
| Fund                                   | Performance<br>Start Date | Market Value<br>(\$ millions)        | Calendar<br>YTD | 1 Year  | 3 Year | 5 Year | 10 Year<br>or ITD |
| State Investment Fund (SIF)            | 6/30/1975                 | \$20,195                             | 0.18            | 0.21    | 0.59   | 1.08   | 0.66              |
| SIF Benchmark                          |                           |                                      | 0.26            | 0.28    | 0.53   | 1.06   | 0.62              |
| Excess                                 |                           |                                      | (0.07)          | (0.06)  | +0.06  | +0.03  | +0.03             |
| State Life Insurance Fund              | 10/31/1994                | \$103                                | (16.13)         | (15.00) | (1.13) | 1.38   | 2.50              |
| No Benchmark                           |                           |                                      |                 |         |        |        |                   |
| Historical Society Endowment Fund      | 12/31/1993                | \$21                                 | (18.89)         | (13.03) | 7.83   | 8.71   | 10.14             |
| SHS Benchmark                          |                           |                                      | (18.39)         | (12.73) | 7.40   | 8.43   | 9.93              |
| Excess                                 |                           |                                      | (0.50)          | (0.30)  | +0.42  | +0.28  | +0.21             |
| Injured Patients & Families Comp. Fund | 10/31/1993                | \$1,384                              | (12.79)         | (11.40) | 1.27   | 2.78   | 3.73              |
| IP&FC Benchmark                        |                           |                                      | (12.29)         | (11.05) | 0.81   | 2.45   | 3.20              |
| Excess                                 |                           |                                      | (0.50)          | (0.36)  | +0.46  | +0.33  | +0.54             |
| UW System Long Term Fund               | 3/31/2018                 | \$523                                | (12.92)         | (7.63)  | 6.87   |        | 6.72              |
| UW System Benchmark                    |                           |                                      | (12.96)         | (7.67)  | 6.66   |        | 6.50              |
| Excess                                 |                           |                                      | +0.03           | +0.04   | +0.20  |        | +0.23             |
| UW Cash Management Fund                | 4/30/2022                 | \$479                                |                 |         |        |        | (2.78)            |
| UW Cash Management Benchmark           |                           |                                      |                 |         |        |        | (2.70)            |
| Excess                                 |                           |                                      |                 |         |        |        | (80.0)            |

(periods greater than 1 yr show annualized return, since inception returns shown for strategies with less than 10-year history)



# Leverage Performance *As of June 30, 2022*



### CTF Policy Leverage Performance

as of June 30, 2022

|  | Net o           | f External Ma | nager Fee Reti | ırn %  |
|--|-----------------|---------------|----------------|--------|
| Core Trust Fund                              | Calendar<br>YTD | 1 Year        | 3 Year         | 5 Year |
| Unlevered Returns (as estimated):            |                 |               |                |        |
| Portfolio <sup>1</sup>                       | (11.47)         | (6.14)        | 7.12           | 7.28   |
| CTF Benchmark Return <sup>1</sup>            | (11.59)         | (6.62)        | 6.40           | 6.77   |
| Excess Return                                | +0.12           | +0.48         | +0.72          | +0.52  |
|  |                 |               |                |        |
| Portfolio Return (Unlevered)                 | (11.47)         | (6.14)        | 7.12           | 7.28   |
| Absolute Return from Leverage <sup>1,2</sup> | (1.74)          | (1.13)        | 0.48           | 0.46   |
| Implementation (+) or (-)                    | 0.00            | 0.00          | +0.01          | +0.01  |
|  |                 |               |                |        |
| Levered Returns (as reported):               |                 |               |                |        |
| Portfolio                                    | (13.21)         | (7.27)        | 7.61           | 7.76   |
| CTF Benchmark                                | (13.33)         | (7.75)        | 6.88           | 7.23   |
| Excess                                       | +0.12           | +0.48         | +0.73          | +0.53  |

(Annualized Return shown for all periods greater than 1 yr)

#### Leverage notes:

- <sup>1</sup> The Unlevered Portfolio Return, Unlevered CTF Benchmark Return, Absolute Return from Leverage and Implementation (+) or (-) are estimated
- <sup>2</sup> Policy leverage was first introduced into the CTF and the benchmark at the end of April 2012

- Policy leverage at SWIB is implemented passively. Therefore, it generally does not contribute to active risk or excess returns<sup>1</sup>
- Policy leverage amplifies absolute returns (whether positive or negative), which is an important component in SWIB's strategy to meet the 7% actuarial target over the long-term
- The CTF benchmark return is levered to create an apples-to-apples comparison for evaluating relative performance of the CTF (i.e., excess return)



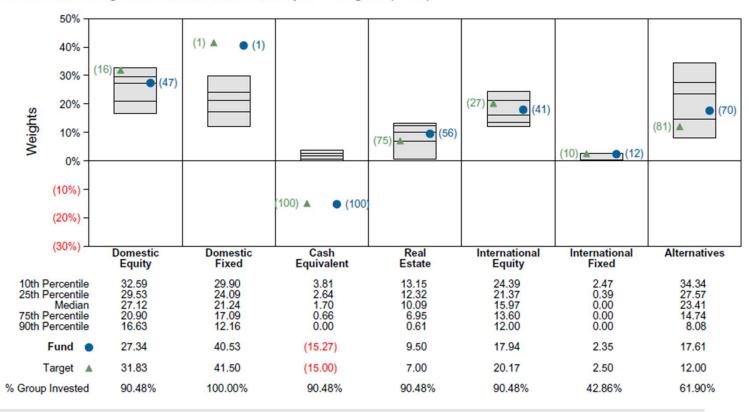
# Callan Quarterly Report Summary

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2022



CTF Asset Allocation Comparison to Peer Group (6.30.2022)

Asset Class Weights vs Callan Public Fund Spons- V Lg DB (>10B)

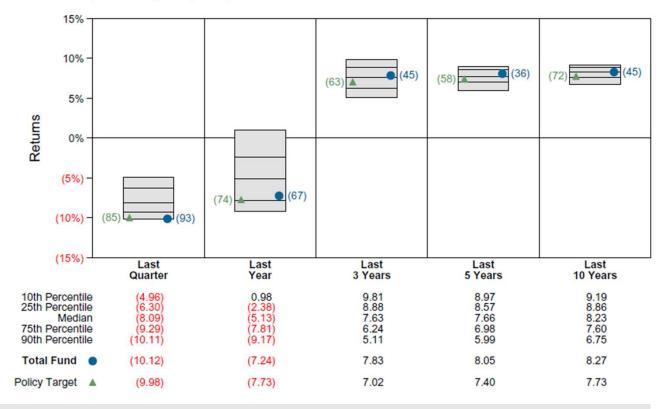


• SWIB's use of financial leverage (approximately 15%) enables more risk reducing/diversifying assets without sacrificing growth assets



CTF Performance vs. Peer Group (Gross Return, 6.30.2022)

#### Callan Public Fund Spons- V Lg DB (>10B)

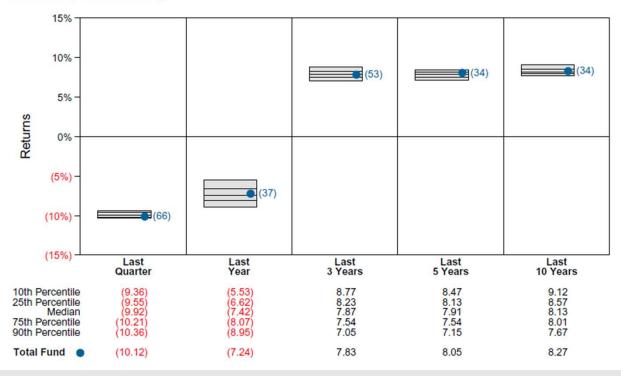


- 2<sup>nd</sup> quartile over 3-, 5- and 10-year periods
- 3<sup>rd</sup> quartile for 1-year period



CTF Performance on Asset Allocation Adjusted Basis vs. Peer Group (Gross Return, 6.30.2022)

#### **Asset Allocation Adjusted Ranking**

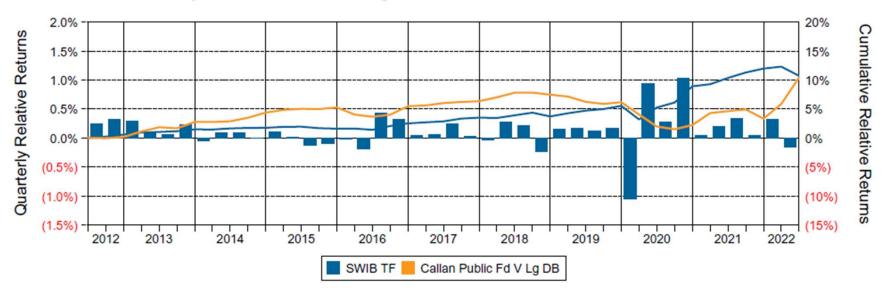


- Uses adjustment to peer universe to match the CTF risk-balanced allocation
- At or above median over 1-, 3-, 5-, and 10-year periods



10 Year Return Consistency vs. > \$10B Peer Group (6.30.2022)

#### **Cumulative and Quarterly Relative Returns vs Target**



- Maintained favorable CTF cumulative performance vs. peers over the last ten years
- Outperformance gap vs. peers narrowed during 1H 2022



Glossary, Definitions & Data Sources



| Term                                  | Description / Definitions  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Terrir                                | Description / Definitions  |
| Gross of Fee Return<br>("GoF Return") | The returns generated in investment portfolios (or accounts) that reflect the deduction of transaction expenses incurred as a result of executing a trade or acquiring or disposing of the investment. In some instances, these expenses are not readily separable from the cost of the investment and are not distinctly recorded within accounting records invoiced by third parties. Security lending income is included in GoF return (however, Security Lending expense is not). Starting on 1/1/2021, the SWIB practice of "grossing up" external management fees, performance fees and any identifiable carried interest by crediting the investment accounts was discontinued. The use of GoF Return is limited to performance comparison to gross benchmark returns, long term CTF / VTF return periods where GoF is the sole return type available and for the purpose of fulfilling data submissions to consultants for peer performance comparison purposes. |
| Net of Fee Return<br>("NoF Return")   | The GoF return that reflects additional deductions for external management fees, performance fees and any identifiable carried interest incurred in investment portfolios. SWIB has account records to support NoF return history over approximately 20 years.   |
| Net of All Return<br>("NoA Return")   | The NoF return that reflects additional deductions for administrative expenses, categorized by SWIB as either Direct or Indirect expenses, that are permitted to be charged directly to the Trust Funds under statutory authority. The Cost Allocation Protocol governs the allocation methods and booking processes to allocate expenses at the investment account level. Examples of the type of expenses that fall under this category, include custody and banking fees, general operating expenses and investment consulting services. Security Lending expense is included in NoA Return. The recording of official, NoA return at the portfolio or account level began in 1/1/2017.   |
| Annualized Return<br>Calculation      | SWIB reports containing portfolio and benchmark return calculations for time periods greater than 1 year generally utilize a geometric averaging calculation. Returns shown for periods of less than 1 year are not presented utilizing the annualization calculation method. In this instance, compound returns are reported for the specified calendar period (e.g., month to date, quarter to date or year to date).  Annualized Return = $((1 + r^1)x(1 + r^2)x(1 + r^3))^n$ (calendar units / time interval measured) – 1; $r^{(n)}$ = series of holding period returns   |
|                                       | and calendar units are often expressed as days, months or years  |
| Cumulative Return<br>Calculation      | SWIB uses the cumulative return calculation ("cumulative basis") to reflect the aggregate amount an investment has gained or lost over time for portfolios and benchmarks. This measurement shares aspects of the annualized return calculation, however, it excludes the geometric averaging.   |
|                                       | Cumulative Return = $((1 + r^1) \times (1 + r^2) \times (1 + r^3) \dots) - 1$ ; $r^{(n)}$ = series of holding period returns   |



| Term                                   | Description / Definitions  |
|--|--|
| Excess Return %<br>("Excess)           | Portfolio return or security level return minus the benchmark return. Portfolio or Composite Returns are generally compared against benchmarks with a similar level of risk. It is widely used as a measure of the value added by the portfolio or investment manager or the manager's ability to outperform the market.   |
| Net Excess Value Add<br>\$ ("NEVA")    | Net Excess Value Add \$ ("NEVA") calculates the portfolio's performance return in total dollars relative to a benchmark. NEVA is a measure used to assess the value-add dollars that a particular investment strategy or team generated over specified time periods. NEVA is also used to monitor the return objectives set forth in the annual Active Risk Budget which is prepared for the CTF and VTF funds managed by SWIB.  |
| SWIB Inception To<br>Date Reporting    | The Quarterly Performance Summary discloses a reporting period described as <b>10 years or ITD</b> . The return disclosed in this reporting field yields either 10-year annualized returns for funds or portfolios with at least 10 years of return history or the data field may revert to the return since inception for portfolios with less than 10 years of history. The quarterly report provides a performance start date for those portfolios with the abbreviated return history. |
| Performance Start<br>Date              | The date denotes the initial period of a portfolio or composites' return data series that is stored and calculated by the SWIB Performance Measurement Service Agent.  |
| Time-weighted Rate of Return           | A method of calculating period-by-period returns that reflects the change in value and negates the effects of external cash flows. This methodology is applied to portfolios that are processed with daily frequency and where daily valuation updates of the underlying instruments are available.  |
| Modified Dietz Total<br>Rate of Return | A measurement that evaluates a portfolio's return based on a weighted calculation of its cash flow. The method considers the timing of cash flows and assumes a constant rate of return over the specified time period. This methodology is applied to portfolios and composites that are processed with monthly frequency (and where only monthly valuation updates are available).   |
| Policy Benchmark                       | The Fund level Benchmark as approved by the Benchmark Committee. The Benchmark is composed of multiple indices that reflect the Fund's exposure to a diverse set of investment strategies. (can also referred to as "Policy Target" as implemented through SWIB's Asset Allocation plan).  |
| Reference Portfolio                    | Hypothetical global portfolio comprised of 60% MSCI World Net (using a SWIB custom net variant as of 2010) and 40% Bloomberg Barclays Government Credit Index. The return is presented on a gross of fee basis and assumes no contributions or withdrawals.  |



| Term                                     | Description / Definitions  |
|--|--|
| Custom weighted or calculated benchmarks | SWIB managed funds and / or portfolios may require the construction of custom benchmarks that are created through applying static or asset weighted calculations to achieve a blended benchmark that is representative of the investment strategy. When available or feasible, SWIB will request its third-party benchmark data provider(s) to blend benchmarks as a part of the market data service. If this option is not available, SWIB will calculate the benchmark using market data inputs.  In certain cases, SWIB may customize a benchmark to more accurately reflect the SWIB managed Fund's tax status and actual tax rate experience in non-U.S jurisdictions with investment portfolio with-holding taxes applicable to dividends and capital gains. This type of custom benchmark is designated as "SWIB Custom Net". |
| Gross Market Value                       | The price at which the fund investor can buy or sell the underlying investment instruments held in the portfolio at a given time multiplied by the quantity held, plus any accrued income. The Gross Market Value of a portfolio is the market value of the portfolio or composite without any deduction for SWIB expenses.  |
| Total Exposure                           | For SWIB managed funds governed by the WRS Investment Policy, this measure reflects the total value of the fund's exposure to investable markets by asset class and sub asset class. Total Exposure is inclusive of those instruments utilized under the WRS Leverage Use Policy to achieve the asset exposures approved under the asset allocation strategy and active risk target.   |
| Internally Managed Portfolios            | Portfolios managed by SWIB investment professionals. Each internal portfolio is assigned compulsory investment guidelines and is also assigned "soft risk parameters." Soft risk parameters refer to desired characteristics and/or risk exposures.  |
| Externally Managed Portfolios            | Portfolios managed by third-party investment managers hired by SWIB. External active and passive managers operate under contractual investment guidelines approved by SWIB's Investment Committee or by SWIB's investment management staff, as designated in the Investment Committee Charter.   |
| Active Management                        | Actively managed portfolios have the objective of out-performing their respective benchmarks (or generating alpha) by using investment insights or quantitative tools to deploy buy, hold, and sell decisions. This style of management will result in portfolio positioning decisions that will add active risk and generate higher tracking error. Actively managed portfolios are governed through investment guidelines and soft risk parameters.  |
| Passive Management                       | Passively managed portfolios have the objective of closely tracking the returns and risk of their respective benchmarks. This style of management usually involves mirroring the benchmark security holdings (or constituents) to closely replicate the benchmark risk and return.   |



| Term                        | Description / Definitions  |
|-----------------------------|--|
|                             | Return Calculations Bank of New York Mellon, Global Risk Services (BNYM GRS), an independent 3rd party, provides services related to custodial records, accounting and performance return calculations for SWIB managed funds. BNYM also serves as the source for certain standard, market-based benchmarks and static weight blended benchmarks.  |
| Note on report data sources | Benchmark Market Data and Selection Process  The data source for this information is provided by multiple investment industry market data vendors and analytics firms depending on the investment strategy. The SWIB Benchmark and Performance Committee governs the benchmark selection process. An independent consultant (selected by the Board of Trustees or "Board") makes recommendations to initially select or change benchmarks. |
|                             | Peer Rank Return Comparison Data This information is provided and processed by industry consultants that consume return information for SWIB managed funds and then provide investor universe return comparisons and analytics using proprietary databases. When consultant info is included in the Quarterly Performance Summary the preparer of the work is identified.  |



# Leverage Disclosures

Calculation formulas to estimate impact



### Notes on CTF Leverage Analysis

| Term                                | Description / Definitions   |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Portfolio Return<br>(Unlevered)     | This is an estimated-only CTF return because SWIB does not implement a CTF unlevered portfolio to calculate actual performance against. Leverage is used to expand the CTF's entire asset base. All definitions that include (unlevered) are ESTIMATES only for this reason.  It is estimated by:  1) Excess Return (Levered) is first subtracted from the Portfolio Return (Levered) <sup>1</sup> ;  2) The result of Step 1 is then divided by the Policy Leverage Factor; then  3) Excess Return (Levered) is added back to the result of Step 2 and that number is then adjusted to account for the cost of financing (i.e., the expense of acquiring leverage, which would not be applicable to an unlevered portfolio).  Portfolio Return (Unlevered) = Portfolio Return (Levered) - Excess Return (Levered) - cost of implementation  1 Note, because Excess Return (Levered) is the difference between two similarly "levered" portfolios (Portfolio Return (Levered) and Benchmark Return (Levered)), it represents outperformance that is not attributable to leverage. Accordingly, it is subtracted first as it would be inaccurate to reduce such amount by the Policy Leverage Factor for purposes of this calculation.  Policy Leverage Factor is the amount of the approved Policy Leverage during any given period, time weighted for multi-year periods. Policy Leverage was first introduced into the CTF Portfolio and Benchmark at the end of April 2012 and was raised from 10% to 15%, effective Calendar Year 2021. |
| CTF Benchmark<br>Return (Unlevered) | Estimated by the <u>Benchmark Return (Levered)</u> divided by the <u>Policy Leverage Factor</u> for the period.   |



### Notes on CTF Leverage Analysis

| Term                              | Description / Definitions  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Excess Return                     | The Excess Return (Unlevered) is the excess return that it is estimated SWIB would have achieved if it did not implement leverage for the CTF.   |  |  |  |
| (Unlevered)                       | Estimated as Portfolio Return (Unlevered) minus Benchmark Return (Unlevered).  |  |  |  |
|                                   | Can also be estimated by taking the actual Excess Return (Levered) minus Implementation (+) or (-) (see below for definition).   |  |  |  |
| Absolute Return from<br>Leverage  | urn from  Estimated by the Portfolio Return (Levered) minus Portfolio Return (Unlevered) minus Implementation (+) or (-).  |  |  |  |
| Implementation                    | The relative cost of financing (i.e., the actual cost of financing minus the CTF benchmark cost of financing). The CTF benchmark cost of financing is the CTF cash benchmark, previously LIBOR plus 30 bps and now BSBY plus 30 bps. Implementation (+) or (-) can also result from outperformance or underperformance relative to how efficiently SWIB replicates the index in connection with policy leverage (this is called basis risk).   |  |  |  |
| (+) or (-)                        | Can either be positive or negative. When the leverage implementation is achieved at a cost saving compared to the CTF cash benchmark (i.e., less than the CTF cash benchmark), it is positive (+); but when it is achieved with additional cost compared to the CTF cash benchmark (i.e., more than the CTF cash benchmark), it is negative (-). Cost savings can generate minor excess returns for the CTF. Basis risk can also generate minor contributions to or detractions from relative performance with respect to policy leverage. |  |  |  |
| Portfolio Return<br>(Levered)     | Actual performance of the CTF Portfolio for the period presented, from all strategies including Policy Leverage.   |  |  |  |
| CTF Benchmark<br>Return (Levered) | Actual performance of the CTF Benchmark for the period, taking into account the use of Policy Leverage.  |  |  |  |
| Excess Return<br>(Levered)        | Actual excess return of the CTF. Portfolio Return (Levered) minus Benchmark Return (Levered).  |  |  |  |



#### **Board Meeting**

#### Tab 6 - Investment Committee Open Session Business

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# SWIB Investment Committee WISCONSIN RETIREMENT SYSTEM

**INVESTMENT GUIDELINES** 

Revised as of

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

The SWIB Board of Trustees (the "Board") has delegated to the investment staff of SWIB standing authority to manage the assets of the Core Retirement Trust Fund (the "Core Fund") and the Variable Retirement Trust Fund (the "Variable Fund"), which together make up the Wisconsin Retirement System (the "WRS"), pursuant to the Board's WRS Investment Policy and to section 25.15(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes and section IB 2.02 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code. The Investment Committee was created to provide oversight of WRS1 investments within the parameters established by the Board and pursuant to the Investment Committee's Charter approved by the Board. To properly and prudently execute its delegated authority and oversight functions, the Investment Committee has established guiding policies, guidelines and procedures, which are set forth in this document, the Investment Committee Investment Guidelines (these "IC Guidelines"). These IC Guidelines articulate the policies and guidelines that are employed in the day-to-day management of the WRS assets by SWIB's staff. This document will be reviewed periodically and updated as necessary by the Investment Committee to reflect changes in investment strategies and to reflect best industry practices for prudent investors. Notwithstanding the delegation of authority by the Board to the Investment Committee for the establishment, approval, and amendment of the policies, guidelines and procedures included in these IC Guidelines, the Board reserves all rights to modify and amend these IC Guidelines at any time in its discretion. Any changes to these IC Guidelines will be periodically reported to the Board. In addition to these IC Guidelines, SWIB staff may also have to comply with Risk, Compliance Division or legal requirements, and review operational readiness with Operations staff prior to the trading of the instruments and securities authorized herein.

#### II. LEVERAGE USE POLICY

#### Introduction

Leverage is an exposure to an asset that is not fully collateralized by cash assets or an exposure to an asset acquired that has not been fully funded. Leverage by itself does not necessarily create additional market risk or variation in market returns. Leverage may result in greater diversification and lower market risk than an unlevered portfolio under normal market conditions. The funds managed by SWIB can have exposure to leverage through different structures, instruments and vehicles.

SWIB uses leverage in two primary ways. The first is to express the overall policy asset allocation, which includes leverage ("Policy Leverage"). Generally, Policy Leverage is implemented passively. The total amount of Policy Leverage is approved by the Board through the WRS asset allocation process. The Board-approved asset allocation targets for each asset class together with the approved Policy Leverage is called the "Policy Portfolio." The second use of leverage is to fund the alpha pool ("Alpha Pool Leverage"), which overlays alpha-producing strategies on the overall Core Fund Policy Portfolio. Those alpha strategies

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Investment Committee also has oversight of the State Investment Fund and other funds managed by SWIB as described in the Board's SIF and Separately Managed Funds Investment Policy and Guidelines.

are funded with additional leverage but are not part of the Policy Portfolio. The total amount of Alpha Pool Leverage is limited by the Board-approved active risk target and range.

Certain internal active portfolios are also authorized to use portfolio-specific leverage. The Core Fund may provide limited unallocated cash to such internal active portfolios, and to other portfolios, to fund short-term financing needs, and charge a market-based funding rate to the applicable portfolio. Active internal and external portfolios may also fund portfolio leverage by financing assets within the portfolio.

Use of leverage introduces distinct liquidity risk that can vary based on leverage sources and margin requirements. Often, leverage requires liquid assets to satisfy margin obligations. Liquidity risk is managed by monitoring the level of liquidity required in various market scenarios and ensuring that an adequate reserve of liquid assets is available to meet commitments in times of market stress. Having a variety of leverage sources diversifies the liquidity risk and cost under varied market scenarios.

Leverage may be generated using derivative instruments (such as futures, forwards, options, and swaps), through the use of repurchase agreements (repo) to borrow capital against fully paid assets, or by explicit borrowing through other capital markets mechanisms (such as lines of credit, debt issuance or securities lending). Sources of leverage are evaluated based on liquidity risk, counterparty risk, cost, and stability. The balancing of these dimensions can vary through time as market conditions vary, especially with respect to liquidity.

#### Leverage Use Philosophy

Leverage is used where it can improve investment portfolio efficiency in terms of return for risk versus alternative choices that do not use leverage. Leverage will also be used to improve portfolio diversification and reduce portfolio concentration.

#### **Leverage Monitoring**

Detailed reporting is regularly (i.e., daily, monthly and quarterly) produced by SWIB to provide feedback regarding leverage exposures for review by portfolio managers, the head of Asset and Risk Allocation (ARA), the Risk Management Division, and the Executive Director/Chief Investment Officer (ED/CIO). Leverage use risk metrics are reported at least quarterly to the Investment Committee. Leverage use is also periodically reported by the ED/CIO to the Board.

#### Policy and Alpha Pool Leverage Guidelines

1. Leverage ratios govern leverage derived from beta sources (i.e., from levered asset class exposures). Established leverage ratio ranges for each levered asset class are set forth below. Current Leverage Ratio is defined as the ratio of notional exposure to capital available in the portfolio (or total exposure to unencumbered exposure in the case of repo). If the Current Leverage Ratio for any levered asset class exceeds the Maximum Target Leverage Ratio, SWIB will, within 30 days (unless such time limit is waived with majority approval of the rebalancing task force), reduce exposure or add capital to bring the Current Leverage Ratio within the established range. A Current

Leverage Ratio below the Minimum Target Leverage Ratio will be monitored as part of the overall optimization of capital and funding costs.

| Levered Asset Class   | Minimum Target | Target         | Maximum Target |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
|                       | Leverage Ratio | Leverage Ratio | Leverage Ratio |
| US Large Cap Equity   | 2.7            | 3.3            | 4.0            |
| US Small Cap Equity   | 2.7            | 3.3            | 4.0            |
| MSCI World xUS Equity | 2.7            | 3.3            | 4.0            |
| US TIPS               | 6.0            | 8.0            | 10.0           |
| US Treasuries         | 8.0            | 10.0           | 12.0           |

#### III. DERIVATIVES USE POLICY

#### **Introduction**

A "derivative instrument" is an investment instrument which usually derives its value and marketability from an underlying instrument which represents direct ownership of an asset or a direct obligation of an issuer (e.g. a "spot" or cash market instrument). SWIB recognizes that derivatives provide a means through which SWIB can implement investment strategies in a more cost and time efficient manner than through the physical investment of the underlying securities. Additionally, derivatives can be used to facilitate SWIB's risk management activities including risk mitigation. Derivatives include such instruments as futures, swaps, options and currency forwards and may be exchanged exchange traded, traded over-the-counter (OTC) and/or cleared.

#### **Derivatives Use Objectives**

The overall strategic objective of SWIB's use of derivatives is to facilitate risk exposure management and to manage the cost of investing. Objectives for derivatives use include:

- 1. Constructing portfolios with risk and return characteristics that could not efficiently be created using underlying physical securities,
- 2. Changing systematic exposures without executing trades in the underlying physical securities,
- 3. Hedging or managing risks, and
- 4. Effecting varying active and passive investment strategies including, but not limited to: portable alpha, currency hedging, equitization, relative value trades, transition management, and rebalancings.

#### **Derivatives Use Monitoring and Reporting**

Derivatives use exposures will be monitored by portfolio managers that employ derivatives, the ED/CIO and the Risk Management Division. The Investment Committee will monitor

derivatives use exposures and risk metrics on a quarterly basis or more frequently as needed.

#### <u>Derivatives Guidelines Applicable to all WRS Internal Portfolios:</u>

- 1. Exchange-traded derivatives must be traded on a recognized exchange approved by the Investment Committee, except for exchange-traded derivatives that are traded pursuant to Exchange for Related Position (EFRP) transactions, which are traded off-exchange and not subject to this requirement. Such approved exchanges are listed on *Appendix 1*. As additional exchanges are approved *Appendix 1* shall be updated without amendment to these IC Guidelines.
- 2. OTC derivatives may only be traded with counterparties with which SWIB has a current International Swap and Derivative Association (ISDA) agreement that includes a Credit Support Annex (CSA).

#### In addition:

- a) The counterparty, or its guarantor, must, on each date on which a transaction is entered into, have an actual credit rating of not less than: (1) "A2/P2" on short-term debt from S&P or Moody's; and/or (2) "Baa2/BBB" on long-term debt from S&P or Moody's.
- b) The collateral that SWIB holds under a CSA may be invested in the following:
  - i. Bank deposit accounts;
  - ii. Any money market fund having a rating of at least "Aaa" by Moody's or at least "AAA" by S&P;
  - iii. Overnight commercial paper having a rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and "A-1" by S&P;
  - iv. Overnight repurchase agreements with U.S. government, agency or dollar cash collateral;
  - v. Overnight reverse repurchase agreements with U.S. government, agency or dollar cash collateral; and
  - vi. The State Investment Fund or similar short term investment funds.
- 3. For clarity, Items 1 and 2 do not apply to exchange-traded funds (ETFs), or to over-the-counter derivatives entered into on behalf of SWIB, or a title-holding entity that is wholly-owned by SWIB, by either an external manager or advisor in connection with a real estate separate account.
- 4. Investments may be made in exchange-traded notes (ETNs), the underlying securities of which are traded on exchanges included on an approved-exchange list maintained by the Compliance Division. The Risk and Compliance Divisions shall be notified upon any investment in a new ETN.

- 4. Investments may be made in put option contracts and call option contracts on securities, futures or an index of a group of securities. Put and call options may be purchased or sold on investments that could be held in the portfolio if the options were exercised.
- 5. Currency exposure management is permitted (but not required) through the use of exchange-traded currency instruments, and through the use of spot and forward contracts in foreign currencies (including FX Swaps). Direct currency hedging is permitted to directly hedge currency exposure back to the U.S. dollar. Cross-currency exposure management to transfer out of an exposed currency and into a benchmark currency is permitted.
- <u>7.</u> 6. Guideline limits and soft parameters for each portfolio will be applied to the aggregate exposures which include both physical and synthetic securities.
- <u>8.</u> 7. New derivatives instruments will be reviewed and approved by the Investment Committee before their implementation or use.
- 9. 8. SWIB shall not enter into new derivatives agreements with new counterparties until the ED/CIO has approved the agreement. Each relevant division head or portfolio manager shall submit to the ED/CIO a written summary of any proposed addition of a relationship that may require evaluation of counterparty credit risks. Such relationship may involve (a) entering into a master netting or trading agreement with a new counterparty, which acts either as a principal or as an agent on behalf of multiple principals, or (b) hiring an external manager to implement a strategy that may require the manager to evaluate and monitor counterparty credit risks on SWIB's behalf (excluding external managers selected by Private Markets and Funds Alpha staff pursuant to their portfolio guidelines). The ED/CIO will review all proposals of such new relationships to determine that (i) the addition of the relationship is consistent with SWIB's investment goals and strategies, (ii) the appropriate loss and drawdown limits for the credit risk associated with the proposed counterparty relationship have been considered, and (iii) appropriate due diligence has been conducted. The relevant division head or portfolio manager ("Initial Division User") shall retain responsibility for monitoring any such approved relationship. If another division expects to use the derivatives agreement for trading strategies after its initial approval, the ED/CIO, Initial Division User and the new division lead shall agree on the strategy for monitoring for the counterparty.

#### IV. Rebalancing Procedures

- 1. Mandatory rebalancing is triggered by the procedures in the Board's WRS Investment Policy and the procedures below, as applicable. The Core Fund and Variable Fund asset mixes will be reviewed at least monthly for potential rebalancing.
- 2. A rebalancing task force will consist of the ED/CIO and the heads of ARA, Global Public Markets Strategies (GPMS) and Private Markets & Funds Alpha (PMFA). The ED/CIO may call a meeting of the rebalancing task force to consider a discretionary rebalancing from time to time. In consultation with the rebalancing task force, and

- with a majority approval of the task force, a discretionary rebalancing may be initiated pursuant to the plan developed by the ARA Division.
- 3. Discretionary rebalancing may be used to bring public market asset classes partially or fully back to their strategic target weights, to reduce or use active risk, to otherwise minimize asset allocation drift, or to intentionally overweight or underweight an asset or sub-asset class.
- 4. In connection with any rebalancing, the ARA Division will develop and implement a plan (a "Rebalancing Plan") to affect the rebalancing. The Rebalancing Plan will include the total amount of each asset class to be bought and sold, the intended market exposures, and the time frame of purchases and sales. The Rebalancing Plan is based on best estimates of market prices, private market valuations, and benefits cash flows for when the rebalance will take effect. To the extent that the market prices are different at the time of a rebalancing from the anticipated market prices, valuations or cash flows, the Rebalancing Plan may be subsequently adjusted for additional purchases and/or sales to true up the market exposures to the anticipated levels of the originally approved rebalancing without further approval by the rebalancing task force.
- 5. The ARA Division, under the supervision of the head of ARA, has the discretion to approve intra-month allocation adjustments of unallocated fund-level cash to passive portfolios and to manage asset class mis-alignments. Such adjustments may be, for example, to allocate unallocated fund-level cash arising from a distribution, to raise liquidity to fund private markets capital calls, to adjust for benchmark weight changes, or to otherwise make adjustments during the month as conditions may arise to return the asset allocation to its intended allocation targets consistent with most recently approved Rebalancing Plan. The manner in which intra-month allocation adjustments of unallocated fund-level cash are allocated or cash deficits are funded depends on the source of such unallocated cash or cash deficit and shall follow Guideline 8 below, as applicable. Only passive portfolios may be utilized for allocations or deallocations. Once unallocated fund level cash is allocated to a passive portfolio, investment of such cash shall be made in accordance with the underlying passive portfolio's guidelines. Aggregate daily portfolio allocations or deallocations shall not exceed \$250 million unless approved by the ED/CIO.
- 6. Exchange-traded and OTC options or other derivatives may be purchased or sold in conjunction with managing asset class exposure and rebalancing. The aggregate notional value of the options will be limited to 2% of the market value of the trust fund at the date of purchase. The term of options used for this purpose may not exceed one year.
- 7. Cleared derivatives traded on a swap execution facility (SEF) may only be traded on or pursuant to the rules of the SEFs of which SWIB is a member or participant.
- 8. In connection with any rebalancing, the following procedures will be followed with respect to the following asset classes:
  - a. The Multi-Asset Strategy Class will rebalance 50% to Public Equities and 50% to Public Fixed Income. Accordingly, in connection with any rebalancing, for

- any percentage increase of assets in Multi-Asset, there will be a corresponding 50% reduction to Public Equities and a corresponding 50% reduction to Public Fixed Income, and vice versa if the Multi-Asset assets decrease. The rebalancing does not have to be proportional through the sub-asset classes.
- b. The Real Estate Asset Class will rebalance 50% to Public Equities and 50% to Public Fixed Income. Accordingly, in connection with any rebalancing, for any percentage increase in Real Estate there will be a corresponding 50% reduction to Public Equities and a corresponding 50% reduction to Public Fixed Income, and vice versa if the Real Estate assets decrease. The rebalancing does not have to be proportional through the sub-asset classes.
- c. The Private Equity Asset Class will rebalance on a 1 for 1 basis to Public Equities. Accordingly, in connection with any rebalancing, for any percentage increase in Private Equity there will be a corresponding 1% reduction to Public Equities. The rebalancing does not have to be proportional through the sub-asset classes.

#### V. WRS General and Portfolio Guidelines - Internal Management

Each internal portfolio is assigned compulsory investment guidelines. Portfolio managers are generally not allowed to deviate from compulsory guidelines. If a deviation from compulsory guidelines occurs or is expected to occur, the staff member who becomes aware of it must immediately notify the head of the Compliance and Risk Management divisions, ED/CIO, and the division head of the asset class in which the deviation occurred. Upon receiving notice of a deviation or potential deviation, the ED/CIO and relevant division head will either take action to correct the deviation or obtain a waiver approved by the ED/CIO. If the ED/CIO is not available, then the waiver may be granted by any division head (other than the division head of the portfolio that is requesting the waiver) and the Deputy Executive Director, in consultation with the head of Risk Management. All waivers will be reported to the Investment Committee and documented in the Investment Committee's meeting minutes.

All internal portfolios are also assigned "soft risk parameters." Soft risk parameters refer to desired characteristics and/or risk exposures. Portfolio managers are allowed, however, to deviate from soft parameters in pursuit of excess return or efficiency, subject to Investment Committee inquiry, discussion and concurrence of the continued exposure. Soft risk parameters for each portfolio are detailed in *Appendix 2*.

The following general compulsory guidelines ("General Guidelines") are applicable to all internally managed portfolios. Individual portfolio guidelines appear subsequently.

- 1. All portfolios must be managed in accordance with the fiduciary standards set forth in section 25.15(2) of the Wisconsin Statutes.
- 2. Credit quality rating requirements refer to an entire rating level, e.g., "A or better" includes "A-" and better ratings. The lower of split ratings is used. Investment grade securities are those rated "BBB-" or better (or the equivalent rating agency rating).
- 3. Fixed income securities backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government will be classified as U.S. government securities for purposes of these guidelines.

- 4. Any sovereign debt obligation (or the issuer in the event the obligation is unrated) in which SWIB invests must be rated "B3/B-" or above, unless otherwise approved in advance by the Investment Committee based on its guidelines for individual business case determinations.
- 5. Public equity investments in markets designated as "developed" or "emerging" are investments in entities that are incorporated or organized in countries included in the MSCI World Index or the MSCI Emerging Market Index, respectively. Public fixed income investments in markets designated as "emerging" are investments in the debt of countries (or of companies incorporated or organized in countries) included in the JP Morgan Emerging Markets Diversified Index. Public fixed income investments in the debt of countries (or of companies incorporated or organized in countries) not included in the JP Morgan Emerging Markets Diversified Index will be designated as "developed."
- 6. The Board approves the benchmarks for the Core Trust Fund and Variable Trust Fund, which are listed in *Appendix 3*. When new benchmarks are approved by the Board or modified by the Board, *Appendix 3* shall be updated without amendment to these IC Guidelines.
- 7. The Risk Management Division will monitor the risk exposures of all WRS portfolios. The head of Risk Management may recommend modifications to portfolio exposures to manage risk exposures. With the ED/CIO's concurrence, the manager of a portfolio will make changes as recommended by the head of Risk Management. In addition to such recommendations, drawdown control procedures for all active internal WRS portfolios will be implemented and monitored by the Risk Management Division and adhered to by the portfolios.
- 8. Portfolios may utilize cash instruments or derivatives in their investment strategy. All investments used will be subjected to the risk analysis and monitoring processes at the portfolio, asset class and fund levels. New derivative and investment instruments will be reviewed with and approved by the Investment Committee prior to implementation.
- 9. Exposure limits and credit quality exposure limits are to be applied at the time of purchase. Unless otherwise indicated, "value" shall mean market value including uninvested cash.
- 10. To-be-announced mortgage-backed securities (TBA MBS) may be traded only with a counterparty with which SWIB has a current Master Securities Forward Transaction Agreement (MSFTA), and the settlement of any forward TBA contract shall not be more than 90 days from the date of the trade.
  - a. The counterparty, or its guarantor, must, on each date on which a transaction is initiated, have a credit rating of not less than "Baa2/BBB" on long-term debt from S&P or Moody's.
  - b. If the counterparty is not rated, then its parent must have such a rating and must guarantee the obligations of the counterparty.

c. If a counterparty or its parent is downgraded to a credit rating below "Baa2/BBB" after the initiation of a trade, then trades may be initiated with that same counterparty only to reduce the existing exposure to that downgraded counterparty.

#### A. Small Cap Portfolios

The Small Cap Portfolios are invested primarily in publicly traded equity securities that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including common stocks, preferred stocks, ETFs, American Depository Receipts (ADRs), American Depository Shares (ADSs), convertible bonds, securities issued in initial public offerings, and when-issued securities. The Small Cap Portfolios may also be invested in equity securities that are publicly traded on stock exchanges in other developed countries.

- 1. When aggregated with other SWIB portfolios, no more than 20% of outstanding shares of any single issuer, excluding shares held in commingled funds and ETFs, may be owned.
- 2. When aggregated with other SWIB portfolios, no single issuer's equity securities may represent more than 3%, excluding shares held in commingled funds and ETFs, of the total market value of all SWIB equity portfolios.
- 3. When aggregated with other SWIB portfolios, securities subject to restrictions on trading pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933 shall not constitute more than 1% of the market value of all SWIB equity portfolios.
- 4. Up to 10% of each portfolio's market value may be invested in international and emerging markets companies through common stocks, ADRs, ADSs, or country-specific ETFs. All international and emerging markets stock transactions must be in equity securities that are publicly traded on a stock exchange in a developed country.
- 5. Portfolios may use exchange-traded futures contracts or ETFs to equitize cash and receivables.
- 6. Portfolios may sell short any securities that may be purchased under applicable guidelines and may then use the proceeds from the short sale to purchase additional approved securities. The total value of the short sales in a portfolio may not exceed 50% of a portfolio's market value.
- 7. Except as provided in 4 above, securities must be issued by an entity that is incorporated in the United States; provided that investment is also permitted if the issuer is incorporated in a tax haven outside the United States if 1) the company's headquarters are located in the U.S. or 2) the headquarters are located in Belize, Bahamas, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Channel Islands, Cook Islands, Isle of Man, Marshall Islands, Panama, Liberia or Netherland Antilles and the primary exchange for the issuer's securities is located in the U.S.
- 8. The aggregate notional value of put options sold and not covered by portfolio cash is limited to 10% of the market value of the portfolio. The aggregate notional value of

call options sold and not covered by the underlying security positions is limited to 10% of the market value of the portfolio.

#### **B.** Global Equity Portfolios

The global sector portfolios are invested primarily in publicly traded equity securities, including common stocks, preferred stocks, ADRs, ADSs, ETFs, convertible bonds, securities issued in initial public offerings, and when-issued securities, in each case that are issued and traded in U.S. and non-U.S. developed markets. Collectively, the global sector portfolios are referred to herein as the "global sector aggregate portfolio."

- 1. Investments in companies whose headquarters and/or primary exchange are located in emerging market countries shall not exceed 5% of the global sector aggregate portfolio's market value.
- 2. The global sector aggregate portfolio may own no more than 10% of outstanding shares of a single issuer, excluding shares held in commingled funds and ETFs.
- 3. No single issuer's equity securities, excluding shares held in commingled funds and ETFs, as a percentage of the total market value of the global sector aggregate portfolio, may exceed the greater of (i) 4.0% and (ii) the benchmark weight of the issuer plus 2.5%.
- 4. Securities subject to restrictions on trading pursuant to Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933 shall not constitute more than 1% of the market value of the global sector aggregate portfolio.
- 5. Securities offered or sold to U.S. investors pursuant to Regulation D or Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 may be purchased if they are publicly traded on a stock exchange in a developed country.
- 6. Sector portfolios may use exchange-traded futures contracts or ETFs to equitize cash and receivables.
- 7. Sector portfolios may sell short any securities that may be purchased under applicable guidelines and may then use the proceeds from the short sale to purchase additional approved securities. The total value of the short sales in the global sector aggregate portfolio may not exceed 50% of the portfolio's market value.
- 8. The aggregate notional value of put options sold and not covered by portfolio cash is limited to 10% of the market value of the portfolio. The aggregate notional value of call options sold and not covered by the underlying security positions is limited to 10% of the market value of the portfolio.

#### C. Passive Portfolios

The objective of the passive portfolios is to closely track the returns and risk of their respective benchmarks.

- 1. The universe for inclusion in the portfolio shall be the full respective benchmark for each portfolio. Non-benchmark securities may be held from time-to time as a result of corporate actions, purchases or sales in advance of expected changes to the benchmark. Activity or retention of non-benchmark securities will only occur after the portfolio is entitled to receive the security and if the portfolio manager deems it beneficial to performance and not significantly detrimental to tracking error.
- 2. Securities offered or sold to U.S. investors pursuant to Regulation D or Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933 may be purchased if they are publicly traded on a stock exchange in a developed country.
- 3. Portfolios may use physical securities or synthetic instruments, including exchange-traded futures contracts, ETFs, swaps, or other Investment Committee-reviewed derivative instruments to equitize cash and receivables, to achieve policy fund level leverage within Trustee-approved limits; for liquidity purposes; to replicate beta for the alpha-beta overlay; or for other passive investment strategies. Passive portfolios used to achieve policy fund level leverage shall be monitored by the ARA Division so that the Policy Leverage does not exceed Board-approved limits.
- 4. Portfolios may sell short from time to time as a result of corporate actions, benchmark changes or other similar events to more closely, more efficiently and/or more cost effectively track the returns and risk of their respective benchmarks if the portfolio manager deems it beneficial to performance and not significantly detrimental to tracking error. Short positions may not be used to intentionally take active risk. The portfolios may short any securities that may be purchased under Guidelines #1-3 and may then use the proceeds from the short sale to purchase additional approved securities.

#### D. Investment Grade Credit Portfolio

The Investment Grade Credit Portfolio is primarily invested in publicly traded and Rule 144A investment grade corporate bonds or other fixed income instruments, primarily in the United States and other developed markets. Subject to the limitations set forth below, the portfolio may also invest in bank loans, convertible, and equity securities.

- 1. Maximum single issuer concentration is limited to 8% of the portfolio's market value on a net basis for developed markets investment grade issuers and 3% for all other issuers, in each case, excluding Treasuries, Treasury futures and ETFs.
- 2. Positions may be purchased long and sold short, and the use of leverage will be incorporated in ex-ante risk assessments and active risk/tracking error contributions. The portfolio may take short exposure by shorting individual securities, including cash bonds and equity securities, utilizing single name CDS and CDX index securities, and shorting ETFs that have been approved by Compliance and included on an approved ETF trading list (including put or call options thereon).
- 3. The portfolio may use eligible derivative instruments to manage the duration, yield curve exposure, currency, interest rate, equity, and market exposure of the portfolio. Eligible derivatives include (i) credit index swaps (e.g., CDX) and single-name

- CDS; (ii) futures, forwards and swaps on securities, indices, and interest rates; (iii) options on securities, including equity securities.
- 4. Effective duration of the portfolio shall remain within two years of the assigned benchmark's duration.
- 5. Emerging market (EM) debt investment is limited to securities rated "B-" or above and:
  - a. EM sovereign debt must be of countries in the JP Morgan Emerging Market Bond Index Global Diversified ("JP Morgan EM Bond Index").
  - b. EM corporate debt must be of issuers in the Bloomberg US Credit Index.
  - c. Gross EM debt shall not exceed 15% of the portfolio's market value on a long or short basis (i.e., long % + short %). EM FX forwards used to hedge currency risk will not be counted against the EM debt exposure threshold.

#### 6. Further limits:

- a. Non-investment grade securities shall not exceed 20% of the portfolio's market value on a gross basis.
- b. Exposure to bank loans shall not exceed 10% of the portfolio's market value on a net basis.
- c. Exposure to convertible securities shall not exceed 10% of the portfolio's market value on a net basis.
- d. Equity exposure shall not exceed 2% of the portfolio's market value on a net basis.
- 7. Ex-ante tracking error shall not exceed 5% as measured by SWIB's standard model used at any given time by SWIB's Risk Management Division. If market conditions (compared to active management actions) cause the portfolio's ex-ante tracking error to exceed this limit, then the portfolio will not be deemed to be out of compliance with these guidelines and this guideline will not be deemed to be violated; except that, if the portfolio's ex-ante tracking error exceeds 5% then the portfolio may not trade or take any other action which is predicted to increase the ex-ante tracking error of the portfolio.
- 8. Gross exposure for the portfolio shall not exceed 200% of the portfolio's market value, and net exposure for the portfolio shall not exceed 150% of the portfolio's market value, in each case unless approved by the ED/CIO.

#### E. U.S. TIPS Index Portfolio

The U.S. TIPS Index Portfolio is invested in U.S. Treasury Inflation-Protected Securities (TIPS).

1. Individual securities must be U.S. TIPS which are included in the Barclays U.S. TIPS benchmark.

2. The portfolios option adjusted duration should be  $\pm$  15% of the benchmark duration.

#### F. Currency Overlay

To separate the management of currency risk from the risk of asset allocation and security selection, a currency overlay may be established at the fund level for the Core Fund and/or the Variable Fund. The ED/CIO, the head of ARA, and the internal Global Bond Portfolio Manager Macro portfolio manager shall set the currency overlay strategy.

- 1. The amount of the overlay will be expressed in relation to the size of the aggregate non-U.S. market value of the internally managed Global Sector Portfolios and the internally managed MSCI World ex U.S. Index Portfolio. This amount is referred to as the "portfolio reference value." For example, if the Global Sector Portfolios have a non-U.S. market value of \$1 billion and the MSCI World ex U.S. Index Portfolio has a market value of \$1 billion, then the portfolio reference value is \$2 billion.
- 2. Only the currencies in the MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI) may be used to implement the currency overlay.
- 3. Currencies may be bought or sold.
- 4. Positions in any individual non-U.S. currency may be taken equal to +/- 10% of the portfolio reference value for major currencies (Euro, UK Sterling and Japanese Yen) and +/- 5% for all other ACWI currencies. For example, if the portfolio reference value is \$2 billion, individual currency positions in major currencies could be taken of +/- \$200 million.
- 5. Up to 25% of the portfolio reference value may be hedged into U.S. dollars.
- 6. The risk of the currency overlay strategy in aggregate will be limited to 25% of the active risk target for the total trust fund, which is set by the Board.
- 7. Limits shall be calculated using the notional value of the currency instruments (*i.e.*, forwards and futures) and the portfolio reference value at the time of purchase.

#### G. Exposure Management Portfolios

Portfolios may be established at the asset class level for multi-asset, public equity and public fixed income asset classes to provide for adjustment and management of the Core Fund and Variable Fund exposures and to utilize or adjust active risk of the Core Fund and Variable Fund. In determining portfolio investments, exposures held in both internally and externally managed portfolios will be considered. These portfolios may also be used to express investment strategies and ideas where the sizing of the investment requires it to be outside of an individual internal portfolio.

Each strategy and/or investment idea expressed in the portfolios shall be approved by any three of the ED/CIO and the heads of ARA, GPMS and PMFA. Portfolio oversight will be the responsibility of the ARA Division, and the Investment Committee will monitor each investment in the portfolios. The Investment Committee shall establish procedures to

monitor these portfolios. These portfolios may invest in any instrument approved for the relevant asset class portfolios described elsewhere in these guidelines. The portfolios may use derivative instruments.

Portfolios will not have a separate benchmark or risk target, but will be included within the benchmark and risk parameters for the applicable aggregated asset class. The portfolios may include, for example, investments strategies to adjust aggregate equity beta, the allocations between specific sectors or sub-asset class exposures, currency exposures, volatility exposure, or credit exposure or duration.

#### H. Multi-Strat Portfolio

- 1. The Multi-Strat portfolio is authorized to invest in or short any instrument or derivative, subject to guidelines 5 and 6 below and the general guidelines contained herein.
- 2. Strategies may be managed either by internal investment staff or by an external manager.
- 3. Leverage and derivatives may be used to implement individual strategies and to adjust the market exposure of the Multi-Strat portfolio.
- 4. The Multi-Strat portfolio's aggregate ex-ante tracking error will not exceed 12% as measured by SWIB's standard model used at any given time by SWIB's Risk Management Division. If market conditions (compared to active management actions) cause the portfolio's ex-ante tracking error to exceed this limit, then the portfolio will not be deemed to be out of compliance with these guidelines and this guideline will not be deemed to be violated; except that, if the portfolio's ex-ante tracking error exceeds 12% then the portfolio may not trade or take any other action which is predicted to increase the ex-ante tracking error of the portfolio.
- 5. The ED/CIO and Head of Risk Management must be informed prior to the launch of a new strategy within the Multi-Strat portfolio. New strategies must be reported to the Investment Committee reasonably promptly following the launch.
- 6. ED/CIO approval, along with notice to the Head of Risk Management, is required prior to the Multi-Strat portfolio investing in an investment instrument or derivative that was previously approved by the Investment Committee for use by other asset class portfolios. Investment in such instruments must be reported reasonably promptly to the Investment Committee. Investment Committee review and approval is required prior to the Multi-Strat portfolio investing in any new investment instruments or derivatives not previously approved by the Investment Committee for any asset class portfolios.

#### I. Global Macro Portfolio

The Global Macro portfolio implements discretionary or systematic investment strategies by trading in exchange-traded and OTC instruments in interest rates, equity, credit, currency, commodity, and volatility markets.

- 1. The Global Macro portfolio is authorized to invest in or short any instrument or derivative, except as set forth in Guideline 6 below, subject to Guideline 5 below.
- 2. Strategies may be managed either by internal investment staff or by an external manager.
- 3. Leverage and derivatives may be used to implement strategies and to adjust the market exposure of the Global Macro portfolio. The use of leverage will be incorporated in ex-ante risk assessments and active risk contributions.
- 4. The portfolio's aggregate ex-ante tracking error will not exceed 20% as measured by SWIB's standard model used at any given time by SWIB's Risk Management Division. If market conditions (compared to active management actions) cause the portfolio's ex-ante tracking error to exceed this limit, then the portfolio will not be deemed to be out of compliance with these guidelines and this guideline will not be deemed to be violated; except that, if the portfolio's ex-ante tracking error exceeds 20% then the portfolio may not trade or take any other action which is predicted to increase the exante tracking error of the portfolio.
- 5. ED/CIO approval, along with notice to the Head of Risk Management, is required prior to the portfolio investing in an investment instrument or derivative that was previously approved by the Investment Committee for use by other asset class portfolios. Investment in such instruments must be reported reasonably promptly to the Investment Committee. Investment Committee review and approval is required prior to the portfolio investing in any new investment instruments or derivatives not previously approved by the Investment Committee for any asset class portfolios.
- 6. Investment is not permitted in the following tranched structured credit securities: asset-backed securities, collateralized debt obligations, collateralized loan obligations, collateralized mortgage obligations, credit risk transfer securities, private label mortgage-backed securities, commercial mortgage-backed securities, and residential mortgage-backed securities.
- 7. Currency forward contracts will be limited to a maximum tenor of one-year.

#### J. Mortgage-Backed Securities Portfolio

The Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) portfolio is primarily invested in Agency-issued mortgage-related securities, including MBS pools, collateralized mortgage obligations (CMOs), credit risk transfer (CRT) securities, as well as other securities in the structured products sector such as TBA MBS, commercial mortgage-backed (CMBS), asset-backed (ABS), and private label mortgage-related securities. It may also invest in other fixed income securities, certain ETFs, and certain derivatives as outlined below.

- 1. Securities other than agency-issued mortgage-related securities (e.g., pools, CMOs, CRTs), mortgage TBAs, and mortgage ETFs, but otherwise permitted in these portfolio guidelines and with effective duration of greater than one year, may not exceed 25%, in the aggregate, of the portfolio's market value.
- 2. Effective duration of the portfolio shall remain within two years of the assigned benchmark's duration.
- 3. Private label MBS may not exceed 10% of the portfolio's market value. Private label mortgage securities backed by borrower collateral other than prime may not exceed 5% of the portfolio's market value.
- 4. The portfolio may invest long or short in ETFs that invest primarily in U.S. MBS and that have been approved by Compliance and included on an approved trading list (including put or call options thereon).
- 5. The portfolio's aggregate ex-ante tracking error will not exceed 5% as measured by SWIB's standard model used at any given time by SWIB's Risk Management Division. If market conditions (compared to active management actions) cause the portfolio's ex-ante tracking error to exceed this limit, then the portfolio will not be deemed to be out of compliance with these guidelines and this guideline will not be deemed to be violated; except that, if the portfolio's ex-ante tracking error exceeds 5% then the portfolio may not trade or take any other action which is predicted to increase the ex-ante tracking error of the portfolio.
- 6. Except for TBA MBS, US Treasuries and ETFs, no single issue may exceed 5% of the portfolio's market value. No single BBB-rated issue may exceed 2% of the portfolio's market value. The average rating of securities covered by these limits will be "Baa2/BBB" or better. No single issue rated below investment grade may exceed 1% of the portfolio's market value. Each tranche of a securitized product is considered a separate issue. Total exposure to issues rated below investment grade may not exceed 1520% of the portfolio's market value, in the aggregate.
- 7. Fixed income securities with an effective duration of one year or less (i) may not, in the aggregate, exceed 25% of the portfolio's market value, and (ii) will have an average credit rating of "A" or better. The portfolio may also use repurchase agreements and reverse repurchase agreements for cash management.
- 8. Derivatives use is permitted for the purposes of duration, interest rate, yield curve, mortgage credit, and volatility management. Derivatives use is permitted through the use of (a) exchange-traded interest rate instruments, including futures and options, (b) interest rate swaps and swaptions, (c) MBS options, (d) other volatility derivatives (including options), and (e) credit index swaps (e.g., CMBX, CDX).
- 9. All instruments permitted in these guidelines may be traded long or short. Excluding the TBA Strategy, gross exposure for the portfolio shall not exceed 200% of the portfolio's market value, and net exposure for the portfolio shall not

- exceed 150% of the portfolio's market value, in each case unless approved by the ED/CIO.
- 10. CLOs collateralized by corporate bank loans may not exceed 3% of the portfolio's market value.

#### K. High-Yield Bond Portfolio

The High-Yield Bond Portfolio is eligible to invest in any instruments included in the assigned benchmark — primarily U.S. dollar denominated publicly-traded and Rule 144A high-yield corporate bonds or other fixed income instruments rated between BB+/Ba1 and B-/B3. Subject to the limitations set forth below, the portfolio may also invest in non-U.S. dollar denominated bonds of issuers located outside of the United States, as well as convertible, preferred securities and equity securities.

- 1. The portfolio shall maintain at minimum a weighted average rating of B-. Subject to the forgoing, the portfolio may hold fixed income instruments rated below B-/B3 as well as unrated securities, provided the unrated securities have been assigned an internal SWIB rating by portfolio management staff using similar rating methodologies as the rating agencies.
- 2. Effective duration of the portfolio shall remain within +/- five years of the assigned benchmark's effective duration.
- 3. Positions may be purchased long and sold short, and the use of leverage will be incorporated in ex-ante risk assessments and active risk/tracking error contributions. The portfolio may take short exposure by shorting individual securities, cash bonds, buying single name CDS, shorting the CDX index, shorting high-yield and equity ETFs that have been approved by Compliance and included on an approved ETF trading list (including put or call options thereon), as well as shorting the underlying equity of a leveraged issuer.
- 4. Instruments not included in the benchmark, but otherwise permitted in these portfolio guidelines, may not exceed 25% of the portfolio's market value on a long or short basis (i.e., long % + short %). For the avoidance of doubt, any instrument that is subsequently removed from the portfolio's benchmark due solely to the instrument's maturity falling below the benchmark's stated thresholds shall not be deemed to be out of benchmark for purposes of the 25% limitation described in this Guideline #4.
- 5. Maximum single issuer concentration is limited to 5%, excluding Treasuries, Treasury futures and holdings of ETFs, of the portfolio's market value on a net basis.
- 6. Gross exposure to non-U.S. Dollar denominated instruments shall not exceed 10% of the portfolio's market value on a long or short basis (i.e., long % + short %).
- 7. Gross exposure to emerging market corporate debt is limited to (a) securities that are rated "B-/B3" or above and (b) issuers incorporated or organized in countries included in the JP Morgan Emerging Markets Diversified Index, and in aggregate shall not exceed 5% of the portfolio's market value on a net basis.

- 8. Exposure to any single industry sector shall remain within 20% of the assigned benchmark's industry sector weighting on a net basis.
- 9. Exposure to high-yield bank loans shall not exceed 10% of the portfolio's market value on a net basis.
- 10. Ex-ante tracking error shall not exceed 5% as measured by SWIB's standard model used at any given time by SWIB's Risk Management Division. If market conditions (compared to active management actions) cause the portfolio's ex-ante tracking error to exceed this limit, then the portfolio will not be deemed to be out of compliance with these guidelines and this guideline will not be deemed to be violated; except that, if the portfolio's ex-ante tracking error exceeds 5% then the portfolio may not trade or take any other action which is predicted to increase the ex-ante tracking error of the portfolio.
- 11. The portfolio may use eligible derivative instruments to manage the duration, yield curve exposure, currency, interest rate, and market exposure of the portfolio. Eligible derivatives include (i) CDS (as described in more detail under Guideline #3 above); (ii) futures contracts on securities, indices, and interest rates; (iii) forward contracts for securities, indices, and interest rates; (iv) swap contracts for securities, indices, and interest rates; (v) options on high yield and equity ETFs (as described in more detail under Guideline #3 above); and (vi) options on the underlying equity of a leveraged issuer.
- 12. Gross exposure for the portfolio shall not exceed 200% of the portfolio's market value, and net exposure for the portfolio shall not exceed 150% of the portfolio's market value, in each case unless approved by the ED/CIO.

#### L. Leveraged Loan Portfolio

The Leveraged Loan Portfolio is eligible to invest in any instruments included in the assigned benchmark — primarily U.S. dollar denominated publicly-traded and senior secured syndicated leveraged loans. Subject to the limitations set forth below, the portfolio may also invest in non-U.S. dollar denominated loans and/or bonds of issuers located outside of the United States, as well as collateralized loan obligations (CLOs), derivatives, convertible, preferred securities and equity securities.

- 1. No less than 75% of the portfolio's market value can be invested in single-name first-lien bank loans, total return swaps on leveraged loans, and/or ETFs with a diversified portfolio of first-lien bank loans, in aggregate.
- 2. The portfolio shall maintain at minimum a weighted average rating of B. Subject to the foregoing, the portfolio may hold fixed income instruments rated below B-/B3 as well as unrated securities, provided the unrated securities have been assigned an internal SWIB rating by portfolio management staff using similar rating methodologies as the rating agencies.
- 3. Positions may be purchased long and sold short, and the use of leverage will be incorporated in ex-ante risk assessments and active risk/tracking error

- contributions. The portfolio may take short exposure by shorting individual securities, including cash bonds and equity securities, utilizing single name CDS and CDX index securities, and shorting ETFs that have been approved by Compliance and included on an approved ETF trading list (including put or call options thereon).
- 4. Instruments not included in the benchmark, but otherwise permitted in these portfolio guidelines, may not exceed 50% of the portfolio's market value on a long or short basis (i.e., long % + short %).
- 5. Maximum single issuer concentration is limited to 5%, excluding Treasuries, Treasury futures and holdings of ETFs, of the portfolio's market value on a net basis.
- 6. Gross exposure to non-U.S. Dollar denominated instruments shall not exceed 10% in the aggregate of the portfolio's market value on a long or short basis (i.e., long % + short %).
- 7. Aggregate exposure to second-lien loan instruments is limited to 15% of the portfolio's market value on a long or short basis (i.e., long % + short %), and maximum exposure to a single second-lien loan instrument is limited to 2.5% of the portfolio's market value on a long or short basis (i.e., long % + short %).
- 8. Ex-ante tracking error shall not exceed 5% as measured by SWIB's standard model used at any given time by SWIB's Risk Management Division. If market conditions (compared to active management actions) cause the portfolio's ex-ante tracking error to exceed this limit, then the portfolio will not be deemed to be out of compliance with these guidelines and this guideline will not be deemed to be violated; except that, if the portfolio's ex-ante tracking error exceeds 5% then the portfolio may not trade or take any other action which is predicted to increase the ex-ante tracking error of the portfolio.
- 9. The portfolio may use eligible derivative instruments to manage the yield curve, currency, interest rate, and market exposures of the portfolio. Eligible derivatives include (i) CDS (as described in more detail under Guideline #3 above); (ii) futures contracts on securities, indices, and interest rates; (iii) forward contracts for securities, indices, and interest rates; (iv) swap contracts for securities, indices, loans, and interest rates; (v) options on leveraged loans, indices, and/or equity ETFs (as described in more detail under Guideline #3 above); and (vi) options on the underlying equity of a leveraged issuer.
- 10. Gross exposure for the portfolio shall not exceed 200% of the portfolio's market value, and net exposure for the portfolio shall not exceed 150% of the portfolio's market value, in each case unless approved by the ED/CIO.

#### M. Short Term Credit Portfolio

The Short-Term Credit Portfolio is an investment vehicle of cash and short-term investments of the WRS designed to achieve a return equal to a bank yield index + 30 bps. Its investment objectives are: 1) Safety of principal; 2) Return Objective; and 3) Liquidity.

#### Portfolio Allocation

## (Percent of Portfolio at Par Value)

| Treasuries, Agencies, and FDIC Insured Bank Deposits             | 0-100% |
|--|--------|
| Repurchase Agreements  | 0-100% |
| Commercial Paper   | 0-100% |
| Corporate Notes  | 0-100% |
| Certificates of Deposit/Time Deposits                            | 0-50%  |
| Bankers' Acceptances   | 0-50%  |
| Yankee/Euro Certificates of Deposit/Time Deposits (U.S. Dollars) | 0-50%  |

#### **Maturity Guidelines**

(Maximum)

Consistent with the portfolio purpose and objectives, the portfolio weighted average maturity will not exceed one year (the weighted average maturity of floating rate securities is based on interest rate reset dates).

| Repurchase Agreements                             | 1 year    |
|---|-----------|
| Reverse Repurchase Agreements                     | 1 year    |
| U.S. Treasuries and Agencies                      | 5 years   |
| Commercial Paper/Bankers' Acceptances             | 1 year    |
| Corporate Notes – Fixed Rate                      | 3.1 years |
| Corporate Notes – Floating Rate                   | 5.1 years |
| Certificates of Deposit/Time Deposits             | 5 years   |
| Yankee/Euro Certificates of Deposit/Time Deposits | 5 years   |

## <u>Issuer Exposure</u>

(Percent of Portfolio at Par Value)

The maximum exposure for each issuer/guarantor/counterparty shall be in the aggregate as follows:

| U.S. Treasury Bills and U.S. Agency Discount Notes | No limit |
|--|----------|
| Repurchase Agreements (Gov't/Agency Collateral)    | 25%      |
| Repurchase Agreements (Other Collateral)           | 5%       |
| Commercial Paper and Corporate Notes               | 5%       |
| Certificates of Deposit/Time Deposits              | 5%       |

Bankers' Acceptances 5%

Yankee/Euro Certificates of Deposit/Time Deposits (U.S. Dollars) 5%

Wisconsin CD Program – individual bank

(unless a higher limit from another category applies.) \$20MM or 3% of bank

assets, whichever is less

Bank Deposits Up to the amount

guaranteed by the FDIC or the amount allowable for a

bank instrument, whichever is higher

#### **CREDIT QUALITY**

The minimum rating of an issuer/counterparty shall be the lowest in the event of a split rating and shall be as follows:

U.S. Treasury Bills and U.S. Agency Discount Notes No minimum

Repurchase Agreements BBB

Commercial Paper A-2/P-2

Unrated Wisconsin Company Commercial Paper (maximum maturity of 90 days and percentage of the portfolio in unrated CP cannot exceed 15%)

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BBB

Unrated

Corporate Notes, Bankers' Acceptances, Certificates of Deposit/ Time Deposit, Bank Deposits and Yankee/Euro Certificates of Deposit/Time Deposits (U.S. Dollars) greater than 1 year

Corporate Notes, Bankers' Acceptances, Certificates of Deposit/

Time Deposit, Bank Deposits and Yankee/Euro Certificates of

Deposits (U.S. Dollars) less than 1 year

(the percentage of the portfolio in BBB cannot exceed 15%).

Wisconsin CD Program – individual bank

Unrated

#### N. General Guidelines specific for Private Markets and Funds Alpha Portfolios

- 1. The portfolio manager shall be responsible for notifying the ED/CIO of any referrals or significant contacts by or on behalf of SWIB Trustees regarding consideration of an investment opportunity.
- 2. The Private Markets & Funds Alpha (PMFA) staff shall report to the Trustees all portfolio commitments to non-public investments.

- 3. Each portfolio manager shall obtain written confirmation from legal counsel (which may be external legal counsel) that documentation has been satisfactorily completed prior to closing of any investment in his or her portfolio that involves negotiated SWIB documentation.
- 4. Each portfolio manager shall submit to the head of PMFA a written summary of any proposed investment. The head of PMFA will review all such investments to determine that a) the investment falls within the portfolio's investment guidelines, including limits on invested capital, b) the investment is consistent with the portfolio's established strategy, and c) the appropriate due diligence standards are being applied. No such investment may be closed without approval of the head of PMFA or ED/CIO depending upon the nature and amount of the investment as required in the relevant portfolio guidelines. The portfolio manager shall retain responsibility for each investment decision. External managers with delegated investment discretion operate under separate authority. For purposes of this paragraph, "investments" does not include the individual properties within a Real Estate Equity Portfolio separate account tranche, but does include the tranche that holds such properties.
- 5. Dollar limitations for commitments to funds or other investments do not apply to incidental and customary contractual reinvestment, indemnity, reserve or similar obligations incorporated into the terms of an investment, provided such obligations are not expected to be material.
- 6. Private equity and venture capital investments in markets designated as "developed" or "emerging" are investments in countries included in the MSCI World Index or the MSCI Emerging Market Index, respectively. Real estate investments in markets designated as "developed" or "emerging" are investments in properties in countries included in the EPRA/NAREIT Developed Index and the EPRA/NAREIT Emerging Market Index, respectively.
- 7. Funds or commingled investments shall be considered U.S., non-U.S., "developed" or "emerging" based on their primary strategy and not on a look-through basis to the underlying investments.
- 8. Exposure limits and credit quality exposure limits are to be applied at the time of purchase. The term "exposure" is defined as the net asset value plus unfunded commitments.
- 9. A "follow-on fund" is generally defined as an investment or an investment vehicle that has the same sponsor or manager and is either parallel to, or has a substantially similar investment strategy as, a fund in which SWIB is or has been an investor.
- 10. SWIB staff may determine to engage a consultant to review prospective investments, perform operational due diligence on prospective investments, or otherwise assist staff in the evaluation of investment opportunities and/or managers.

#### O. Private Debt Portfolio

The overall objective of the Private Debt Portfolio (the "Private Debt Portfolio" includes both the Wisconsin Private Debt Portfolio and the Non-Wisconsin Private Debt Portfolio) is to invest funds of the Core Fund in market rate fixed income instruments consistent with SWIB's fiduciary responsibilities that are primarily private loans negotiated by SWIB directly or as part of an investor group that includes banks or other institutional investors. The two portfolios are invested as follows:

- <u>Wisconsin Private Debt Portfolio</u> This portfolio's investments will consist of loans or fixed income securities issued by companies or entities that are headquartered in Wisconsin, have existing operations in Wisconsin, or intend to apply the proceeds to new business operations in Wisconsin which contribute to the Wisconsin economy.
- <u>Non-Wisconsin Private Debt Portfolio</u> This portfolio can invest in loans or fixed income securities issued by companies or entities located in or doing business in the United States.

The Private Debt Portfolio may also include securities sold to SWIB pursuant to Rule 144A or in the public fixed income markets. Investments may be made in fixed income instruments and in instruments with both fixed income and equity features.

- 1. Investments may carry a rating from a national rating agency, the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) or SWIB. Notwithstanding the provisions of the General Guidelines above, the Portfolio Manager may make investments that carry a "BBB" or better rating from a national rating agency or the NAIC, provided that if the investment carries only a SWIB rating, it shall be approved by the head of PMFA, regardless of size.
- 2. Investments may be made in below investment grade instruments provided that such investments do not in the aggregate constitute more than 25% of the Private Debt Portfolio's par value. Any investment below investment grade requires approval from the head of PMFA.
- 3. The Private Debt Portfolio's aggregate portfolio issuer limits shall be scaled by quality and a purchase may not cause the Private Debt Portfolio's exposure to a borrower or issuer to exceed the following limits (at par value):

| Rating            | Maximum Position |
|-------------------|------------------|
| U.S. Gov't/Agency | No Limit         |
| "AA" or higher    | \$100 MILLION    |
| "A"               | \$75 MILLION     |
| "BBB"             | \$50 MILLION     |
| "BB" or less      | \$25 MILLION     |

- 4. The Private Debt Portfolio shall maintain at minimum a weighted average rating of "BBB", where "AAA"=4, "AA"=3, "A"=2, "BBB"=1, and "BB" or less =0.
- 5. Other guideline limitations notwithstanding, portfolio managers or other staff authorized by the head of PMFA may modify or waive terms of investments in the portfolio and generally take any and all other actions that are necessary and reasonable to protect, maintain or enhance the value of SWIB's position in the investments.

#### P. Venture Capital Portfolio

The SWIB Venture Capital Portfolio (the "Venture Capital Portfolio" includes both the Wisconsin Venture Capital Portfolio and the Non-Wisconsin Venture Capital Portfolio) consists of venture capital or venture capital-related investments and invests as follows:

- The Non-Wisconsin Venture Capital Portfolio shall make venture capital investments on a global basis in limited partnership or other fund vehicles, through strategic partnerships, or as co-investments in venture-backed companies or publicly traded companies that were venture backed.
- The Wisconsin Venture Capital Portfolio shall make venture capital investments in limited partnership or other fund vehicles or strategic partnerships that are either located in Wisconsin and/or which target Wisconsin as a primary market or as co-investments in venture-backed companies or publicly traded companies that were venture backed that are located or have operations in Wisconsin.

A private equity consultant hired by SWIB will review prospective investments in limited partnerships or other fund vehicles with new managers and make individual written recommendations to SWIB staff. SWIB shall only invest in new limited partnerships or other fund vehicles with new managers that are affirmatively recommended by the Consultant. Follow-on funds, co-investments and secondary fund purchases do not require consultant review. A "follow-on fund" is an investment or an investment vehicle that has the same sponsor or manager and is either parallel to, or has a substantially similar investment strategy as, a fund in which SWIB is or has been an investor. From time to time, SWIB may also consider formation of fund investments where it may participate both as a general partner and as limited partner. In such cases, subject to the approval limits below, SWIB will retain a consultant to advise it on the strategy and opportunity.

1. Any other guidelines notwithstanding, the Venture Capital Portfolio commitments are subject to the following approvals:

| Approval By:            | Head of PMFA               | ED/CIO                 |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| New Manager             |                            |                        |
| • Venture Capital Funds | Up to \$60 million or less | More than \$60 million |
| Venture Capital         | Up to \$20 million or less | More than \$20 million |

| Co-Investments  |   |                        |
|---|---|------------------------|
| Follow on Commitments   |   |                        |
| • Venture Capital Funds   | Up to \$75 million  | More than \$75 million |
| <ul> <li>Venture Capital         Co-Investments         (excluding funds of one)     </li> </ul>  | Up to \$25 million  | More than \$25 million |
|   |   |                        |
| SWIB ownership equal to or greater than 50% of an individual fund (excluding funds of one and any fund/vehicle through which a co-investment is made) | ED/CIO, provided that notice shall be given to the ED/CIO if ownership of an individual fund (excluding a fund/vehicle through which a co-investment is made) is equal to or greater than 33 1/3% |                        |

- 2. No more than 45% of the Venture Capital Portfolio's exposure may be invested outside of the U.S., without the approval of the ED/CIO. No more than 20% of the Venture Capital Portfolio's exposure may be invested in emerging markets. No more than 5% of the Venture Capital Portfolio's exposure may be invested in companies located in emerging markets.
- 3. No more than 2% of the Core Fund may be invested in venture capital.
- 4.-Venture capital investments may be made through funds, strategic partnerships, or co-investments. Venture capital co-investments (excluding funds of one) must be made in one of the following ways:
  - (1) alongside a fund with the same sponsor or manager as a fund in which SWIB is or has been an investor,
  - (2) alongside a fund with the same sponsor or manager as a fund on which SWIB is conducting due diligence and is actively evaluating for a prospective commitment, or
  - (3) as approved by the ED/CIO.
- <u>4.</u> <u>From time to time, SWIB may consider formation of fund investments where it may</u> participate both as a general partner and as limited partner.
- 5. Venture capital co-investments made within the Wisconsin Venture Capital Portfolio are limited to companies with their headquarters or primary operations in Wisconsin. Co-investments in the Non-Wisconsin Venture Capital Portfolio may not make up more than 15% of the Venture Capital Portfolio's exposure.
- Neither the aggregate exposure (including co-investments) to any fund manager or sponsor, nor the aggregate amount of investments in any company, may exceed 20% of the Venture Capital Portfolio's exposure without approval of the ED/CIO.

- 7. No single co-investment (excluding funds of one) shall exceed 10% of the Venture Capital Portfolio's exposure.
- 8. The Venture Capital Portfolio may make co-investments in public company securities through private placements, including PIPEs, or other offerings. Co-investments in public company securities shall not exceed 10% of the Venture Capital Portfolio's exposure. For purposes of this guideline, public company securities received via a distribution are not counted and are expected to be sold as soon as reasonably practicable.
- 9. Subject to the approval thresholds and the restrictions above, the Venture Capital Portfolio Manager or other staff authorized by the head of PMFA may modify or waive terms of investments in the portfolio and generally take any and all other actions that are necessary and reasonable to protect, maintain or enhance the value of SWIB's position in the investments.

#### Q. Private Equity Portfolio

The Private Equity Portfolio consists of private equity or private equity-related investments, made on a global basis, in limited partnership or other fund vehicles, strategic partnerships, and co-investments in operating or holding companies. Investment guidelines and soft parameters shall be applied to the aggregate composition of the Private Equity Portfolio (including the Legacy, Private Equity Co-Investment, Current Return and Current Return Co-Investment Portfolios), unless otherwise stated. A private equity consultant hired by SWIB will review prospective investments in limited partnerships or other fund vehicles with new managers and make individual written recommendations to SWIB staff. SWIB shall only invest in limited partnerships or other fund vehicles with new managers that are affirmatively recommended by the Consultant. Follow-on funds, co-investments and secondary fund purchases do not require consultant review. A "follow-on fund" is an investment or an investment vehicle that has the same sponsor or manager and is either parallel to, or has a substantially similar investment strategy as, a fund in which SWIB is or has been an investor.

1. Any other guidelines notwithstanding, all portfolio commitments are subject to the following approvals:

|  | Head of PMFA          | ED/CIO             |
|--|-----------------------|--------------------|
| New Manager  |                       |                    |
| Funds or Strategic     Partnerships                              | \$150 million or less | Over \$150 million |
| Co-Investments   | \$50 million or less  | Over \$50 million  |
| Follow-on Commitments  |                       |                    |
| <ul> <li>Funds or Strategic         Partnerships     </li> </ul> | \$300 million or less | Over \$300 million |

| Co-Investments   | \$100 million or less   | Over \$100 million |
|--|---|--------------------|
| SWIB ownership equal to or greater than 50% of an individual fund (excluding a fund/vehicle through which a co-investment is made) | ED/CIO, provided that notice ownership of an individual furthrough which a co-investment greater than 33 1/3% | ` ,                |

- 2. The Private Equity Portfolio shall not include investments in venture capital funds.
- 3. Investments may be made through funds, strategic partnerships, or co-investments. Co-investments must be made in one of the following ways:
  - (1) alongside a fund with the same sponsor or manager as a fund in which SWIB is or has been an investor.
  - (2) alongside a fund with the same sponsor or manager as a fund on which SWIB is conducting due diligence and is actively evaluating for a prospective commitment, or
  - (3) as approved by the ED/CIO.
- 4. Neither the aggregate exposure (including co-investments) to any fund manager or sponsor, nor the aggregate amount of investments in any company, may exceed 10% of the total Private Equity Portfolio's exposure without approval of the ED/CIO.
- 5. No more than 45% of the Private Equity Portfolio's exposure may be invested outside of the U.S., without the approval of the ED/CIO. No more than 20% of the Private Equity Portfolio may be invested in emerging markets.
- 6. No more than 45% of the Private Equity Co-Investment Portfolio's exposure may be invested outside of the U.S., without the approval of the ED/CIO. No more than 20% of the Private Equity Co-Investment Portfolio's exposure may be invested in companies located in emerging markets.
- 7. The Private Equity Co-Investment Portfolio may make co-investments in public company securities through private placements, including PIPEs, or other offerings. Co-investments in public company securities shall not exceed 10% of the Private Equity Co-Investment Portfolio's exposure. For purposes of this guideline, public company securities received via a distribution are not counted and are expected to be sold as soon as reasonably practicable.
- 8. Other guideline limitations notwithstanding, portfolio managers or other staff authorized by the head of PMFA may modify or waive terms of investments in the portfolio and generally take any and all other actions that are necessary and reasonable to protect, maintain or enhance the value of SWIB's position in the investments.

#### **R.** Real Estate Equity Portfolio Guidelines

The Real Estate Equity Portfolio contains investments in a broad range of real estate and real estate-related assets, including equity and debt investments, either solely, or through investment vehicles and structures such as public or private Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs), public or private real estate company securities, limited liability corporations, limited partnerships, joint ventures, separate accounts or co-investment vehicles. Investment guidelines and soft parameters for Real Estate shall be applied, on an invested basis, to the aggregate composition of the Real Estate Equity Portfolio (except that all REIT portfolios shall be included in the aggregate as Core holdings). A real estate consultant hired by SWIB will review prospective commingled fund investments with new managers and make individual written recommendations to SWIB staff. SWIB shall only invest in commingled fund investments with new managers that are affirmatively recommended by the Consultant. Follow-on funds and secondary fund purchases will not require consultant review. A "follow-on fund" is an investment or an investment vehicle that has the same sponsor or manager and is either parallel to, or has a substantially similar investment strategy as, a fund in which SWIB is or has been an investor.

All portfolio commitments are subject to the following approvals:

|                              | Head of PMFA          | ED/CIO             |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Commingled Fund              |                       |                    |
| New Fund                     | \$150 million or less | Over \$150 million |
| Follow-on Fund               | \$300 million or less | Over \$300 million |
| Core - Separate Account*     | \$300 million or less | Over \$300 million |
| Non-Core – Separate Account* | \$200 million or less | Over \$200 million |

<sup>\*</sup>With respect to a separate account tranche, approval is required for the tranche, but not for individual investments within the tranche.

- 1. Aggregate exposure (including co-investments) to any commingled fund manager or sponsor may not exceed 20% of the Real Estate Equity Portfolio's exposure without approval of the ED/CIO. This does not apply to real estate investments for which SWIB has sole discretion to select, retain, and terminate manager(s) and/or advisor(s) without cause.
- 2. Aggregate direct public REIT and real estate company stock holdings (excluding underlying commingled fund holdings and externally managed REIT Portfolios) may not exceed 15% of the Real Estate Equity Portfolio's exposure and portfolio investments in any one public REIT or company may not exceed 3% of the Real Estate Equity Portfolio's exposure. SWIB's direct ownership position in any public REIT or company may not exceed 20% of outstanding voting equity, without ED/CIO approval. Any externally managed REIT portfolio(s) will be managed under separate authority, with

- guidelines set out in the management agreement(s) between SWIB and the selected manager(s).
- 3. No more than 45% of the Real Estate Equity Portfolio's exposure may be invested outside the U.S., without the approval of the ED/CIO. No more than 20% of the Real Estate Equity Portfolio's exposure may be invested in emerging markets, and no more than 10% of the Real Estate Equity Portfolio's exposure may be invested in separate accounts invested in emerging markets.
- 4. Other guideline limitations notwithstanding, the portfolio manager or other staff authorized by the head of PMFA may: modify or waive terms of investments in the portfolio, including without limitation mortgages and leases on real estate in the portfolio; enter into new mortgages and leases; execute deeds and bills of sale; make expenditures for maintenance and improvements; grant easements; hire consultants, service providers, real estate advisors and property managers; and generally take any and all other actions that are necessary and reasonable to protect, maintain or enhance investment value of SWIB's position in the investments.
- 5. Prior to funding a direct investment (including a property within a separate account tranche) where real property is a material component, the property shall be evaluated for the presence of environmental and code compliance issues. If environmental issues that require action by governmental authorities exist, then funding shall not occur until an adequate remediation program is in place. If code compliance issues exist, then an adequate plan to bring the property into compliance shall be in place.
- 6. SWIB may not initiate improvement or development of real property owned or controlled by SWIB without making provisions for compliance with applicable Federal, state and local codes and ordinances.

#### S. Current Return Portfolio

The Current Return Portfolio consists of current return or certain equity-related investments, made on a global basis, in limited partnership or other fund vehicles, strategic partnerships, and co-investments in operating or holding companies. Investments may be made in fixed income instruments and in instruments with both current pay and equity features. Investment guidelines and soft parameters shall be applied to the aggregate composition of the Private Equity Portfolio (including the Legacy, Private Equity Co-Investment, Current Return and Current Return Co-Investment Portfolios), unless otherwise stated. A private equity consultant hired by SWIB will review prospective investments in limited partnerships or other fund vehicles with new managers and make individual written recommendations to SWIB staff. SWIB shall only invest in limited partnerships or other fund vehicles with new managers that are affirmatively recommended by the Consultant. Follow-on funds, co-investments and secondary fund purchases do not require consultant review. A "follow-on fund" is an investment or an investment vehicle that has the same sponsor or manager and is either parallel to, or has a substantially similar investment strategy as, a fund in which SWIB is or has been an investor.

1. Any other guidelines notwithstanding, all portfolio commitments are subject to the following approvals:

|  | Head of PMFA  | ED/CIO             |
|--|---|--------------------|
| New Manager  |   |                    |
| Funds or Strategic Partnerships  | \$150 million or less   | Over \$150 million |
| Co-Investments   | \$50 million or less  | Over \$50 million  |
| Follow-on Commitments  |   |                    |
| Funds or Strategic Partnerships  | \$300 million or less   | Over \$300 million |
| Co-Investments   | \$100 million or less   | Over \$100 million |
| SWIB ownership equal to or greater than 50% of an individual fund (excluding a fund/vehicle through which a co-investment is made) | ED/CIO, provided that notice shall be given to the ED/CIO if ownership of an individual fund (excluding a fund/vehicle through which a co-investment is made) is equal to or greater than 33 1/3% |                    |

- 2. Investments may be made through funds, strategic partnerships, or co-investments. Co- investments must be made in one of the following ways:
  - (1) alongside a fund with the same sponsor or manager as a fund in which SWIB is or has been an investor;
  - (2) alongside a fund with the same sponsor or manager as a fund on which SWIB is conducting due diligence and is actively evaluating for a prospective commitment; or
  - (3) as approved by the ED/CIO.
- 3. Neither the aggregate exposure (including co-investments) to any fund manager or sponsor, nor the aggregate amount of investments in any company, may exceed 10% of the total Private Equity Portfolio's exposure without approval of the ED/CIO.
- 4. No more than 45% of the Current Return Portfolio's exposure may be invested outside of the U.S., without the approval of the ED/CIO. No more than 20% of the Current Return Portfolio may be invested in emerging markets.
- 5. No more than 45% of the Current Return Co-Investment Portfolio's exposure may be invested outside of the U.S., without the approval of the ED/CIO. No more than 20% of the Current Return Co-Investment Portfolio's exposure may be invested in companies located in emerging markets.
- 6. The Current Return Co-Investment Portfolio may make co-investments in public company securities through private placements or other offerings. Co-investments in public company securities shall not exceed 10% of the Current Return Co-Investment Portfolio's exposure. For purposes of this guideline, public company securities received via a distribution are not counted and are expected to be sold as soon as reasonably practicable.

7. Other guideline limitations notwithstanding, portfolio managers or other staff authorized by the head of PMFA may modify or waive terms of investments in the portfolio and generally take any and all other actions that are necessary and reasonable to protect, maintain or enhance the value of SWIB's position in the investments.

#### T. Hedge Fund Portfolio

The Hedge Fund Portfolio ("HF Portfolio") will be comprised primarily of direct investments in hedge funds and is intended to generate a low-beta, alpha-oriented return stream.

- 1. The HF Portfolio will be comprised of the following investment vehicles:
  - a. *Direct Investments or Fund-of-Funds*: SWIB intends for its portfolio to be comprised primarily of direct investments in hedge funds rather than fund-of-funds vehicles that use an intermediary investment advisor(s) to select and allocate to hedge funds through a commingled fund, but SWIB may make investments in fund-of-fund vehicles, as may be deemed appropriate by Funds Alpha staff and otherwise approved hereunder.
  - b. *Hedge Funds or Separately Managed Accounts* ("SMAs"): Investments can be made in limited liability partnerships with other investors or, in some cases depending upon the manager and size of investment, in separately managed accounts. SWIB expects its investments will be in limited liability vehicles rather than SMAs, but may make use of SMAs if it is in the best interest of SWIB to do so.
  - c. *Special Opportunity Investments:* SWIB may invest a portion of its portfolio in special opportunity investments, which may include: interests in the equity or revenues of hedge fund managers, co-invest, or external manager "best ideas" opportunities. Special Opportunity Investments will be capped at 20% of the market value of the total HF Portfolio.

#### 2. Hedge Fund Investment Strategies:

- a. *Event-Driven* investments up (debt or credit) and down (equity) the corporate capital structure where an expectation exists for realized profits over a short to medium time frame as a result of a known catalyst such as a merger, spinoff, or restructuring.
- b. *Long-Short Equity* long and short investments in publicly traded stocks.
- c. *Tactical Trading* global investments in indexes, commodities, interest rates, and currencies and, in each case, their derivatives as a result of relative value or directional forecasts from a systematic or discretionary approach.
- d. Relative Value strategies that seek to take advantage of price differentials by buying and selling different yet related securities. Relative value strategies include fixed income arbitrage, insurance linked, long/short credit, quantitative strategies, structured credit, and volatility-related investments.

e. *Multistrategy* – funds that invest across multiple asset classes, typically (but not always) with multiple portfolio managers. Most multistrategy funds diversify across three or more underlying strategies.

In the event a sub-strategy could fall under more than one Investment Strategy, the categorization designated by the Consultant will be utilized.

The HF Portfolio has the following target weightings and ranges to the individual hedge fund strategies, based on the Consultant's "Lower Beta" model portfolio recommendations:

|                                 | <u>Target</u><br><u>Allocation</u> | Target<br>Maximum |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Relative Value                  | 20%                                | 40%               |
| Event-Driven                    | 15%                                | 30%               |
| Long-Short Equity               | 20%                                | 30%               |
| Tactical Trading                | 20%                                | 40%               |
| Multistrategy                   | 20%                                | 40%               |
| Special Opportunity Investments | <u>5%</u>                          | 20%               |
|                                 | 100%                               |                   |

- 3. Roles of SWIB staff and Consultant: SWIB Funds Alpha staff and the HF Portfolio Consultant (the "Consultant") will be responsible for conducting initial and ongoing hedge fund due diligence, selecting individual hedge funds, and determining the allocations to individual hedge funds. The Consultant, in concert with staff, will conduct investment and operational due diligence and make individual hedge fund written recommendations to SWIB staff. SWIB staff will conduct its own review and assessment of the universe of recommended managers from the Consultant and recommend hedge funds according to the approval process. SWIB shall only invest in new Hedge Funds that are affirmatively recommended by the Consultant, and SWIB shall obtain an additional recommendation from the Consultant for additional subscriptions to existing funds of \$50 million or 30% of the current investment (whichever is less). Co-investments do not require consultant review unless SWIB is the lead investor. SWIB staff and the Consultant will be responsible for ongoing monitoring of SWIB's hedge fund investments.
- <u>4.</u> Approvals: HF Portfolio allocations are subject to the following approvals:

|   | Head of PMFA        | ED/CIO                  |  |
|---|---------------------|-------------------------|--|
| New Funds   |                     |                         |  |
| • Core  | Up to \$300 million | More than \$300 million |  |
| Special Opp/ Co-invest  | Up to \$50 million  | More than \$50 million  |  |
| Additional Subscriptions to Existing Funds and/or Follow-On Funds |                     |                         |  |

| • Core   | Up to \$400 million aggregate invested  | More than \$400 million                             |
|--|---|---|
| Special Opp/ Co-invest   | Up to \$100 million aggregate invested  | More than \$100 million                             |
| SWIB ownership equal to or greater than 50% of an individual fund, calculated at the master fund level (excluding funds of one and a fund/vehicle through which a co-investment is made) | ED/CIO, provided that notice ED/CIO if ownership of an if funds of one and a fund/vel investment is made) is equal 1/3% | ndividual fund (excluding nicle through which a co- |

- <u>4.</u> 5. The aggregate exposure to any hedge fund manager or sponsor (including coinvestments) may not exceed 15% of the total HF Portfolio's exposure without approval of the ED/CIO.
- <u>6.</u> Other guideline limitations notwithstanding, portfolio managers or other staff authorized by the head of PMFA may modify or waive terms of investments in the portfolio and generally take any and all other actions that are necessary and reasonable to protect, maintain, or enhance the value of SWIB's position in the investments.
- <u>6.</u> 7. All redemptions, terminations or reductions of capital will be at the discretion of the Funds Alpha Manager and the head of PMFA.

#### U. Beta One Portfolio

The Beta One Portfolio will be comprised primarily of direct investments in strategies of external managers that are intended to generate both (1) a beta or SWIB policy benchmark return and (2) an active alpha return stream above the benchmark. These managers are referred to as Beta One External Managers due to their dual mandate to manage both a Core Fund asset allocation benchmark and a tracking error around the given benchmark. The manager is expected to deliver the total return of the benchmark (or beta of one), plus an excess return (alpha) over the benchmark. This is distinctive compared to SWIB's external hedge fund portfolio, which is designed to deliver only an excess return or alpha. This section does not govern passive external managers which the Asset and Risk Allocation Division oversees and monitors.

- 1. Investments in Beta One External Managers will be comprised of the following investment vehicles:
  - a. *Separately Managed Accounts* ("SMAs"): SWIB intends for its portfolio to be comprised primarily of direct investments in various strategies via SMAs, the assets of which would reside at SWIB's custodial bank.

- b. *Commingled Investments or Fund Investments*: Investments can be made in commingled funds and/or limited liability partnerships with other investors or in a Fund-of-One structure where SWIB is the sole investor.
- 2. Investment Strategies and Broad Guidelines for Beta One External Managers:
  - a. *Equities* strategies will be comprised of various fundamental, quantitative and other approaches intended to produce an active return above the respective benchmarks. Strategies will be invested in traditional long only portfolios, active extension formats (i.e. 130/30, 150/50) and other public equity securities approaches across various styles, geographies and market cap weights. A limited use of shorting (up to 50%) may be used in the active extension format in non-SMAs.
  - b. *Fixed Income* strategies will be comprised of various fundamental, quantitative, and other approaches intended to produce an active return above the respective benchmarks. Strategies will primarily be invested in traditional long only portfolios across the credit quality spectrum, varying geographies, including emerging and frontier market debt, high yield and structured securities. Derivatives may be used primarily for duration and currency management and will be set forth in the individual manager guidelines.
  - c. Notwithstanding any shorting permitted above and pursuant to SWIB's policies, the investment guidelines for SMAs will prohibit the Beta One External Managers from shorting any securities and from purchasing securities in certain secondary offerings.
- 3. Any use of derivatives, leverage, and shorting allowed will be incorporated into the examterisk assessments and active risk contributions.
- 4. Roles of SWIB staff and Consultant: SWIB Funds Alpha staff and any Staff Consultant engaged by SWIB to conduct public markets managers search, ongoing due diligence, and/or external manager oversight (any such consultant a "Consultant") will be responsible for (i) conducting initial and ongoing due diligence, (ii) selecting individual strategies, (iii) determining the allocations to individual strategies (subject to the applicable approvals below), and (iv) negotiating and executing investment management agreements and investment guidelines consistent with this document. The Consultant, in concert with staff, will conduct due diligence (which may include business management, trading and operations, operational due diligence, valuation, risk management, and disclosures and investment terms) and make individual strategy written recommendations to SWIB staff. SWIB staff will conduct its own review and assessment with advice of the Consultant and recommend strategies according to the approval process. SWIB shall only invest in new Beta One External Managers that are affirmatively recommended by the Consultant. SWIB staff and the Consultant will be responsible for on-going monitoring, reporting, and assessment of SWIB's investments in Beta One External Managers.

<u>4.</u> <u>5.</u> Approvals: Beta One External Manager allocations are subject to the following approvals:

| Investment   | Head of PMFA         | ED/CIO                   |  |
|--|----------------------|--------------------------|--|
| New Manager  | Up to \$1.75 billion | More than \$1.75 billion |  |
| Relationship   |                      |                          |  |
|  |                      |                          |  |
| Additional   | Up to \$2 billion    | More than \$2 billion    |  |
| Subscriptions to   |                      |                          |  |
| Existing Manager   |                      |                          |  |
| Includes all Funds Alpha investments with the Manager, regardless of |                      |                          |  |

Includes all Funds Alpha investments with the Manager, regardless of vehicle, strategy or portfolio.

- <u>5.</u> Other guideline limitations notwithstanding, the Funds Alpha Manager or other staff authorized by the head of PMFA may modify, amend or waive terms of Beta One Manager investment management agreements and generally take any and all other actions that are necessary and reasonable to protect, maintain, or enhance the value of SWIB's position in the investments.
- 6. 7. All redemptions, terminations or reductions of capital will be at the discretion of the Funds Alpha Manager and the head of PMFA in consultation with the head of ARA for policy benchmark exposure consideration.
- 8. Notwithstanding the above discretion regarding redemptions, terminations or reductions, if the Risk Management Division determines that certain risk attributes in the context of the total Core Fund or the aggregate Beta One Portfolio are undesirable for the Core Fund or the aggregate portfolio, then the head of Risk Management may recommend redemptions, terminations or reductions to portfolio exposures. With the ED/CIO's concurrence, the Funds Alpha Manager will make the changes as recommended by the head of Risk Management.

#### V. Private Markets and Funds Alpha Overage Portfolios

Portfolios may be established at the asset class level for private equity, co-invest, real estate, venture capital, hedge fund, and private debt asset classes to provide for (i) excess exposure to certain investment ideas where the sizing of the investment requires it to be held, in part, outside of an individual internal portfolio or (ii) hedging transactions using public or private securities. In each case, a primary investment must be made by the relevant private markets or hedge fund portfolio with the excess exposure or hedging transaction being allocated to an overage portfolio. The relevant private markets or funds alpha portfolio manager will be responsible for portfolio oversight and monitoring of the investment, including the securities in the overage portfolio.

These portfolios may also be used to express investment strategies and ideas that do not fit clearly in any of the private markets or funds alpha portfolios but are attractive from a risk/return perspective. In such cases, no primary investment will be made in the existing

private markets portfolios, and the ED/CIO will designate a portfolio manager that will be responsible for portfolio oversight and monitoring.

These portfolios may invest in (1) any instrument approved for the relevant private markets asset class portfolios described elsewhere in these guidelines, and (2) any other public or private securities or derivatives approved for trading by SWIB solely for hedging purposes. Each investment idea expressed in the portfolios shall be approved by the head of PMFA, the relevant portfolio manager, and a majority of the ED/CIO and the heads of ARA and GPMS. Any approved investment shall be reported to the Investment Committee on a monthly basis. Other governance, monitoring, compliance or reporting for the investment may also be specified in the approval. Portfolios will not have a separate benchmark or risk target, but will be included within the benchmark and risk parameters for the applicable aggregated asset class, portfolio, or Core Trust Fund, as applicable and as approved at the time of the investment. If the investment will use active risk assigned to exposure management, it will be noted in the investment approval.

#### VI. EXTERNAL MANAGEMENT

Portfolios may be managed internally by SWIB investment professionals or externally by money management firms. In making the decision on how the portfolios will be managed, SWIB compares the resources, expertise, and cost of internal management versus external management. If the decision is made to manage the portfolios externally, SWIB will determine whether a separate account or commingled fund best suits SWIB's needs.

External active and passive managers operate under contractual investment guidelines approved by SWIB's Investment Committee or by SWIB's investment management staff, as designated in the Investment Committee Charter.

#### **APPENDIX 1 - APPROVED EXCHANGES**

Approved Exchanges for Derivatives Trading as of March 29, 2022\*

Australian Securities Exchange **BOX Options Exchange CBOE** Exchanges Chicago Board of Trade Chicago Mercantile Exchange London Stock Exchange Eurex Exchange Euronext Exchanges ICE Futures Exchanges International Securities Exchange Montreal Exchange Nasdaq Exchanges New York Mercantile Exchange **NYSE Exchanges** Osaka Exchange TMX (Toronto Stock Exchange) Tokyo Stock Exchange

\*Approved exchanges shall include any and all exchanges that may be acquired by, merged with or otherwise reorganized with or into, or any subset of, any of the above-listed exchanges subsequent to the date above provided that such exchange continues to clear through a Qualifying Central Counterparty (QCCP). This list may be updated for such organizational or name changes from time to time by Legal & Compliance without any additional action of the Investment Committee, and all additions or changes shall be deemed Approved Exchanges for purposes of the WRS Investment Committee Investment Guidelines effective as of the date of such acquisition, merger or reorganization. On a quarterly basis, Compliance shall provide notice to the Investment Committee if there have been any such changes to the list.

The Multi-Asset and Exposure Management Portfolios are approved to trade on any of the above exchanges and any other exchange whose clearing house is a Qualifying Central Counterparty (QCCP) as defined by the Bank for International Settlement (BIS).

# **APPENDIX 2 - SOFT RISK PARAMETERS**

# SOFT RISK PARAMETERS – ASSET CLASS AND PORTFOLIO

| PORTFOLIO ASSET CLASS<br>CHARACTERISTIC                                   | ASSET CLASS                          | DISCUSSION TRIGGER   |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| Asset Class Exposure*   | Core Fund                            |  |
|   | Global Equities                      | Target ± 4.6%  |
|   | EM Equities                          | Target ± 2.8%  |
|   | Small Cap                            | Target ± 4.9%  |
|   | EAFE Small Cap                       | Target ± 4.3%  |
|   | U.S. Inv Grade                       | Target ± 4.8%  |
|   | High Yield and<br>Levered Loans      | Target ± 5.1%  |
|   | EM Debt                              | Target ± 5.6%  |
|   | Variable Fund                        |  |
|   | U.S. Equity                          | Target ± 5.0%  |
|   | Int'l Equity                         | Target ± 5.0%  |
| *Post-Corridor Treatment  |                                      |  |
| Maximum Small Cap Exposure  | CTF Domestic Public<br>Equities      | 2.75x Benchmark  |
|   | VTF Domestic Public<br>Equities      | 2.75x Benchmark  |
| Ex Ante Tracking Error  | Public Equities                      | 0.75% - 2.25%  |
|   | Public Fixed                         | 0.4% - 1.2%  |
|   | Core Fund                            | 0.6% - 1.8%  |
|   | Variable Fund                        | 0.3% - 0.9%  |
| Counterparty Exposure (internal and external separate account portfolios) | WRS (Core and Variable Funds)        | 5 bp exposure (net of collateral, if any) to a single counterparty |
| Duration  | Public Fixed                         | +/- 15% of Benchmark   |
| Base Portfolio  | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolio | 8-12% of Aggregate Sector Portfolio                                |
| Scaled Portfolio  | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolio | 88-92% of Aggregate Sector Portfolio                               |

| PORTFOLIO ASSET CLASS<br>CHARACTERISTIC    | ASSET CLASS                            | DISCUSSION TRIGGER                        |
|--|--|---|
| ACTIVE/INDEXED EQUITIES                    |  |   |
| Minimum Number of Holdings                 |  |   |
|  | Small Cap Diversified<br>Consolidation | 100                                       |
|  | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolio   | Lesser of 100 names or 25% of index names |
| Ex Ante Tracking Error                     | Passives (Core Fund and Va             | riable Fund Consolidation):               |
|  | MSCI US                                | 10 bp annualized                          |
|  | MSCI ex US                             | 20 bp annualized                          |
|  | MSCI US Small Cap                      | 30 bp annualized                          |
|  | Small Cap Diversified<br>Consolidation | 2% - 6%                                   |
|  | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolio   | 1% - 4%                                   |
| Maximum Position Size<br>(Excluding ETFs)  |  |   |
|  | Passives                               | 5% notional value of futures              |
| Single Name Concentration                  | Small Cap Diversified<br>Consolidation | Benchmark weight ± 2%                     |
|  | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolio   | Benchmark weight ± 2%                     |
| Maximum Total Value of Short Sales         | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolio   | 40% of portfolio value                    |
| Maximum ETF Exposure                       | Passives                               | 5% of portfolio value                     |
|  | Small Cap Diversified<br>Consolidation | +/- 15% of portfolio value                |
|  | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolio   | +/- 15% of portfolio value                |
| Maximum Company Ownership (Excluding ETFs) | Small Cap Diversified<br>Consolidation | 10% of outstanding                        |
|  | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolio   | 10% of outstanding                        |

| PORTFOLIO ASSET CLASS<br>CHARACTERISTIC    | ASSET CLASS                            | DISCUSSION TRIGGER               |
|--|--|----------------------------------|
| Top Ten Holdings                           | Small Cap Diversified<br>Consolidation | 25% of portfolio                 |
| P/E Ratio                                  | Small Cap Diversified                  | 50%-150% of Benchmark            |
|  | Consolidation                          |                                  |
|  | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolio   | 50%-150% of Benchmark            |
| Maximum Sector Exposure                    | Small Cap Diversified<br>Consolidation | Benchmark weight ±10%            |
|  | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolio   | Benchmark weight ±5%             |
| Maximum Notional Uncovered Sold Calls      | Passives                               | 5% of portfolio value            |
|  | Small Cap Diversified<br>Consolidation | 5% of portfolio value            |
|  | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolios  | 5% of portfolio value            |
| Maximum Notional Uncovered Sold<br>Puts    | Passives                               | 5% of portfolio value            |
|  | Small Cap Diversified<br>Consolidation | 5% of portfolio value            |
|  | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolio   | 5% of portfolio value            |
| Maximum Cash                               | Passives                               | 1% in unequitized cash           |
|  | Small Cap Diversified<br>Consolidation | 5%                               |
|  | Global Sector Aggregate<br>Portfolio   | 5%                               |
| FIXED INCOME                               |  |                                  |
|  | IG Credit                              | +/- 1 year of assigned Benchmark |
| Duration                                   | MBS                                    | +/- 1 year of assigned Benchmark |
| Maximum Corporate Industry Sector Exposure | IG Credit                              | Greater of 10% or 3 x Benchmark  |
| Ev Anto Tracking Error                     | IG Credit                              | 3.0%                             |
| Ex Ante Tracking Error                     | MBS                                    | 3.0%                             |

| PORTFOLIO ASSET CLASS<br>CHARACTERISTIC  | ASSET CLASS           | DISCUSSION TRIGGER  |  |
|--|-----------------------|---|--|
|  | <u>High Yield</u>     | <u>3.0%</u>   |  |
|  | <u>Lev Loans</u>      | <u>3.0%</u>   |  |
| Maximum Equity Exposure  | High Yield            | 5% of portfolio value   |  |
|  | Lev Loans             | 5% of portfolio value   |  |
| Maximum investments in a single issuer, in the aggregate (excluding instruments listed in SIF guideline #2)                                | State Investment Fund | 5% of portfolio value   |  |
| MULTI-ASSET  |                       |   |  |
| Ex ante volatility (tracking error) range  | Multi-Strat           | 3% to 8%, measured with a trailing two-year risk sampling period              |  |
|  | Global Macro          | 2.5% to 12.5%, measured with a trailing two-year risk sampling period         |  |
| Ex-Ante Equity Beta  |                       |   |  |
| Ex-Ante Spread Beta  | Multi-Strat and       | Range of -0.3 to +0.3 with a target of zero over a market                     |  |
| Ex-Ante Rates Beta   | Global Macro          | cycle. This is measured ex ante with a trailing two-year risk sampling period |  |
| Ex-Ante FX Carry Beta  |                       |   |  |
| PRIVATE MARKETS & FUNDS ALPHA  |                       |   |  |
|  |                       | 30% of core Private Equity Portfolio for Private Equity Co-<br>Investments    |  |
| Maximum Co-Investments   | Private Equity        | 30% of Current Return Portfolio for Current Return Co-<br>Investments         |  |
| Maximum Co-Investments alongside   |                       |   |  |
| funds with the same sponsor or manager as a fund on which SWIB   |                       | 5% of core Private Equity Portfolio for Private Equity Co-<br>Investments     |  |
| was conducting due diligence and Private Equity actively evaluating for a prospective commitment at the time of co-investment <sup>2</sup> |                       | 5% of Current Return Portfolio for Current Return Co-<br>Investments          |  |
| Minimum Funds  | Private Equity        | 80% of aggregate Private Equity Portfolio                                     |  |
| Maximum Venture Capital Exposure   | Venture Capital       | 25% of Private Equity & Debt  |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If SWIB subsequently commits to a limited partnership or other fund vehicle of the sponsor or manager, then such co-investment shall no longer be included for purposes of calculating this soft parameter.

| PORTFOLIO ASSET CLASS<br>CHARACTERISTIC                            | ASSET CLASS | DISCUSSION TRIGGER  |  |
|--|-------------|---|--|
| Maximum Development Risk (Direct Holdings Only)                    | Real Estate | 10%   |  |
| Maximum Single Property Type<br>Exposure - Quarterly               | Real Estate | 50%   |  |
| Minimum Core Holdings (Including REIT portfolios)                  | Real Estate | 50%   |  |
| Maximum Value Holdings   | Real Estate | 30%   |  |
| Maximum Opportunistic Holdings                                     | Real Estate | 30%   |  |
| Maximum Core Portfolio Leverage                                    | Real Estate | 50%   |  |
| Maximum Core Fund/Deal Leverage (Must be non-recourse to SWIB)     | Real Estate | 65%   |  |
| Maximum Real Estate Equity Portfolio Leverage                      | Real Estate | 60%   |  |
| Maximum Holdings with Leverage > 80%                               | Real Estate | 10%   |  |
| Maximum Debt Holdings  | Real Estate | 25%   |  |
| Ex ante volatility (tracking error) range                          | Hedge Fund  | 2.5% to 6.5%, measured with a trailing two-year risk sampling period  |  |
|  | Beta One    | 1.0% to 2.0%  |  |
| Equity Delta to the S&P 500  | Hedge Fund  | Range of -0.3 to +0.3 with a target of zero over a market cycle. This is measured ex ante with a trailing two-year risk sampling period |  |
| Target Beta  | Beta One    | Range of 0.85 to 1.15 with a target of 1.0  |  |
| Maximum one-year annual Conditional Value at Risk (CVaR)           | Hedge Fund  | 7% based on trailing two-year risk sampling period  |  |
| Maximum Hedge Fund Active Risk<br>Contribution                     | Hedge Fund  | 6.0 bps of Core Fund active risk  |  |
| Maximum General Partner/Investment Manager Portfolio Concentration | Hedge Fund  | 12%   |  |
|  | Beta One    | 25%   |  |

# APPENDIX 3 – CTF AND VTF BENCHMARKS State of Wisconsin Investment Board Target State Benchmarks 2022<sup>1</sup>

| Core Trust Fund Benchmark <sup>2</sup>  |  |                                  |  |  |
|---|--|----------------------------------|--|--|
|   | Current Benchmark  |                                  |  |  |
| Public Equity   | 52% Fixed Blend of Six Components <sup>3</sup>                                 | - Current and previous benchmark |  |  |
| Public Fixed Income   | 25% Fixed Blend of Eight Components <sup>4</sup> asset classes are weighted by |                                  |  |  |
| Inflation Sensitive   | 19% Bloomberg US Treasury Inflation-Linked                                     | class strategic target weights   |  |  |
|   | Bond Index   | - Current Benchmark updated      |  |  |
| Private Equity/Debt   | 12% Roll-Up of Five Components <sup>5</sup>                                    | 4/30/2012 to include Cash, which |  |  |
| Real Estate   | 7% NCREIF Open End Diversified Core  | reflects leverage                |  |  |
|   | Equity (ODCE)  |                                  |  |  |
| Cash  | (-15%) Bloomberg Short Term Bank Yield   |                                  |  |  |
|   | Index (BSBY) + 30bps   |                                  |  |  |
| Total   | Total 100%   |                                  |  |  |
| Variable Trust Fund Benchmark   |  |                                  |  |  |
|   | Current Benchmark  |                                  |  |  |
| Domestic Equities   | 70% MSCI USA Investable Market Index   |                                  |  |  |
| International Equities 30% MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI) ex US Custom Net Index |  |                                  |  |  |
| Total   | 100%   |                                  |  |  |

Note: Roll-Up refers to the market-weighted aggregation of benchmark components or indices, based on SWIB's actual market exposures.

77.60% MSCI World Custom Net Index 6.90% MSCI USA Small Cap Index

4.60% MSCI EAFE Small Cap Custom Net Index7.50% MSCI Emerging Market ex China Custom Net Index1.90% MSCI Emerging Market China Custom Net Index1.50% MSCI Emerging Market Small Cap Custom Net Index

24.00% Bloomberg Credit Index

8.00% Bloomberg Mortgage-Backed Securities Index

24.00% Bloomberg Treasury Index 4.00% Bloomberg Long Treasury Index

20.00% BofA Merrill Lynch Corporate HY Ba/B Index 10.00% S&P / LTSA U.S. Leveraged Loan 100 Index

5.00% JPM EMBI Global Diversified 5.00% JPM GBI-EM Diversified

Component One: State Street Private Equity Index

Component Two: State Street Global Exchange Private Equity Index – Venture Capital Component Three: Private Equity Legacy (SW050300) Actual Portfolio Returns Component Four: Bloomberg Duration-Adjusted Baa Corporate plus 20 basis points

Component Five: Burgiss Global Senior Debt Universe

<sup>1</sup> Reflects target weights under the 2022 Asset Allocation implementation plan as of 8/31/2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The major asset class weights are established through the annual asset allocation exercise; Private Equity weights float between 9% and 15% and Real Estate weights float between 4% and 10%. The <u>Private Equity</u> excess weights are taken from Public Equities, <u>Real Estate</u> excess weights are taken 50% from Public Equities and 50% from Public Fixed Income.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Public Equity Benchmark: Fixed Blend of Six Components

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Public Fixed Income Benchmark: Fixed Blend of Eight Components

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Private Equity/Debt Benchmark: Roll-Up of Five Components

Effective 1/1/2010, the tax treatment of the MSCI benchmark updated to a custom net-of-tax benchmark based on SWIB-specific tax treatment.

#### STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD

#### Investment Committee Meeting-Open Session

#### **Tuesday, May 24, 2022**

#### Via Teleconference

Committee Members Present: Edwin Denson, Executive Director/Chief Investment Officer (Chair)

Anne-Marie Fink, Private Markets & Funds Alpha-Chief

**Investment Officer** 

Stefano Cavaglia, Senior Portfolio Manager-Asset & Risk

Allocation

Derek Drummond, Head of Funds Alpha

Diane Linn, Senior Portfolio Manager-Multi-Asset Strategies

Lin Maung, Senior Portfolio Manager-Private Equity

Jason Rector, Portfolio Manager-Funds Alpha

Mike Shearer, Head of Investment Grade Fixed Income

Nick Stanton, Head of Multi-Asset Strategies

Ivy Zhang, Senior Portfolio Manager-Asset & Risk Allocation

Sara Chandler, Chief Legal Counsel (non-voting)

Hassan Chehime, Head of Risk Management (non-voting)

Rochelle Klaskin, Deputy Executive Director/Chief Administrative

Officer (non-voting)

Also in Attendance:

John Voelker, Trustee

Chelsey Barczak, GPMS Business Director

Kevin Blank, Analyst-Funds Alpha

Derek Bloom, Senior Portfolio Manager-Asset & Risk Allocation

Brandon Brickner, Internal Audit Director Kate Burkart-Paulson, Senior Legal Counsel Bill Campbell, Data Management Director

Bridget Chen, Senior Analyst–Investment Grade Fixed Income Christian Comito, Portfolio Manager–Investment Grade Fixed Income

Dan Cox, Senior Portfolio Manager–Investment Grade Fixed Income

Greg Fletcher, Performance Director

Bob Fritzsche, IT Business Director

Jameson Greenfield, Chief Financial Officer

John Heshelman, Senior Portfolio Manager-Non-Investment Grade Fixed Income

Mike Jacobs, Agency Business Director

Dave Jordan, Head of Non-Investment Grade Fixed Income Salah Khalaf, Portfolio Manager—Private Markets & Funds Alpha

Lisa Lange, Director of Compliance & Senior Legal Counsel Jonathan Levine, Senior Portfolio Manager–Investment Grade Fixed Income

Alex Li, Analyst-Asset & Risk Allocation

Shan Lo, Senior Portfolio Manager-Multi-Asset Strategies

Jon Loboda, Performance Measurement Operations Manager

Jeff Lucas, Senior Portfolio Manager-Multi-Asset Strategies

Bill Luetzow, Compliance Counsel

Matt Marek, Senior Analyst–Asset & Risk Allocation

Damian Maroun, Head of Trading and Execution

Edward Martinez, PMFA Business Director

Frank Mazzucco, Legal Counsel

Joy Mukherjee, Senior Portfolio Manager–U.S. Small Cap Strategy

Chad Neumann, Senior Portfolio Manager–Global Large Cap Strategy

Chris Preisler, Communications Specialist

Anand Rakesh, Director of Risk Analytics & Financial Engineering Systems

Robby Richlen, Financial Analyst

Tom Robinson, Head of Corporate Governance

Joe Roth, Business Analyst

Andrea Ruiz, Senior Portfolio Manager–Liquidity, Inflation & Rates Mgmt.

Jon Simon, Senior Portfolio Manager–Investment Grade Fixed Income

Matt Terpstra, Internal Auditor

Rob Thornton, ARA Business Director

Dawn Tuescher, Executive Administrative Assistant

Zhenping Wang, Analyst–Asset & Risk Allocation

Terri Wilhelm, Senior Paralegal

Ping Wong, Portfolio Manager–Liquidity, Inflation & Rates Mgmt.

Lauren Albanese, Financial Investment News

Ben Bronson, Aksia

Chris Levell, NEPC

Eileen Neill, Verus Advisory

Liz Wedelstaedt, Cabrera Capital Markets LLC

(Some individuals may have attended only portions of the meeting.)

#### **OPEN SESSION**

With a quorum present, Edwin Denson, Chair of the Investment Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. All attendees participated in this meeting telephonically.

#### 1. Approval of the Minutes

Mr. Denson asked if there were any comments on either the open or closed session minutes of the April 26, 2022 Investment Committee (IC) meeting. Hearing no comments, Mr. Denson stated that the Committee could approve both the open and closed session minutes in open session.

<u>Motion</u>: A motion was made by Ms. Fink and seconded by Mr. Stanton to approve both the open session and the closed session minutes of April 26, 2022, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 2. Quarterly Performance Review (Q1 2022)

Greg Fletcher, Performance Director, presented the *Investment Performance Report*, as of March 31, 2022, included on pages 9-18 in the meeting materials. Mr. Fletcher reported that (a) the Core Trust Fund (CTF) returned -3.42% net of fees in Q1 2022, resulting in an excess return of 30 basis points (bps) for the quarter, (b) the CTF returned 9.94% net of fees for the one-year period, resulting in an excess return of 99 bps, (c) the CTF five-year net-of-fee return of 10.75% outperformed the Policy Benchmark by 59 bps on an annualized basis, and (d) the CTF's gross return outperformed the 60/40 reference portfolio's return by 92.3% (cumulative) and 1.2% on an annualized basis over the past 20 years, which equates to \$34.7 billion.

With respect to long-term performance, Mr. Fletcher highlighted that the CTF outperformed its benchmark for all time periods, and the Variable Trust Fund (VTF) had absolute returns in line with equity markets over all time periods with excess returns over its benchmark for the ten- and thirty-year periods. He also noted that SWIB's investment management has added more than \$2.6 billion above benchmark returns over the last five years to the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS).

Mr. Fletcher then discussed the percentage of WRS assets that were internally managed versus externally managed, noting that internally managed assets had remained stable at roughly 50% over the last few years, with 51% of total SWIB assets currently internally managed when including the State Investment Fund (SIF). He stated that the percentage of actively managed assets continued to increase year-over-year, as it has since 2017.

He reviewed the performance by asset class, highlighting that (a) public equities had performed roughly in line with the benchmark for the first quarter, but underperformed the benchmark over the one-, three-, five- and ten-year periods, (b) fixed income investment strategies had negative absolute returns for the year-to-date and one-year periods, as expected amid inflationary pressures and elevated interest rates, although relative performance remained strong, and (c) with the private equity benchmark returning to more normalized levels, aggregate private equity and debt provided outperformance for the one-, three-, five- and ten-year periods, while real estate had relative negative performance for the first quarter. Lastly, he reported that the Separately Managed Funds generated positive relative performance over the one-, three-, five- and ten-year periods, despite relative underperformance year-to-date for the funds with fixed income exposure.

#### 3. Q1 2022 Quarterly Updates

#### A. Small Cap Diversified Strategy

Joy Mukherjee, Senior Portfolio Manager–U.S. Small Cap Strategy, referred to the *Small Cap Diversified Strategy Review*, included on pages 21-25 in the meeting materials. He reported that the small cap diversified portfolio underperformed its Russell 2000 benchmark by 47 bps in Q1 2022 and had transitioned to the MSCI USA Small Cap Index benchmark as of April 1. He noted that strong security selection in the health care and consumer sectors

positively impacted performance, while the information technology and materials sectors detracted. Mr. Mukherjee confirmed that the portfolio was in compliance with its guidelines and soft risk parameters as of March 31, 2022, with the exception of the soft risk parameter related to ex ante tracking error, which the team decreased temporarily in connection with the benchmark transition and the uncertain market environment.

#### B. Global Large Cap Equities

Chad Neumann, Senior Portfolio Manager—Global Large Cap Strategy, provided the *Global Sector Aggregate Strategy Review*, included on pages 26-30 in the meeting materials. He reported that the global sector aggregate portfolio underperformed its benchmark by 23 bps in Q1 due to stock selection and a challenging market environment for the modified portfolio. He noted that the portfolio as previously structured had been discontinued as of January 3, 2022 and that staff continue to develop a proposal for the successor global large cap equity strategy.

Mr. Neumann reported that sector performance remained volatile in Q1, as the consumer discretionary and consumer staples sectors positively impacted performance while sectors with growth-oriented attributes, such as communication services and real estate, detracted. Lastly, Mr. Neumann stated that the portfolio was in compliance with its guidelines and soft risk parameters as of March 31, 2022, with the exception of the soft risk parameter related to ex ante tracking error, which is low while many sectors are indexed during the portfolio's restructuring.

#### C. Funds Alpha

Derek Drummond, Head of Funds Alpha, presented the *Funds Alpha Q1 2022 Update*, included on pages 31-40 in the meeting materials. He highlighted that Funds Alpha generated approximately \$195 million in Excess Value Added (EVA) in Q1, primarily from beta one equities and hedge funds. With respect to tracking error for the beta one portfolios, Mr. Drummond reported that the beta one equity portfolio tracking error remains above its long-term target, although it is expected to decrease as market conditions normalize, and the beta one fixed income portfolio's tracking error has continued to decline since 2021 as anticipated.

He then commented on the current market environment, noting (a) with respect to hedge funds, many managers remain cautiously optimistic with potential opportunities amid the volatility in both equity markets and rates and the increasing security-specific idiosyncratic risk opportunity set, despite risks relating to geopolitical tensions, central bank policies and mid-term elections, (b) the team has received a greater number of inbound calls from high-quality managers offering opportunities to provide liquidity, and (c) with regard to beta one equities, quantitative managers have generated improved performance in recent months.

Regarding the active management environment, Mr. Drummond highlighted that (a) moderate volatility is present both within and across asset classes, (b) in the equity markets, greater performance dispersion may create additional stock-selection opportunities for managers, and (c) in the credit markets, global dislocations have increased market uncertainty and broadened the opportunity set.

Finally, Mr. Drummond confirmed that the portfolios were in compliance with their guidelines and soft risk parameters, with the exception of the one-year conditional volatility (CVaR) soft risk parameter, and answered questions regarding the team's evaluation of opportunities in the fixed income space.

#### 4. Convene in Closed Session

<u>Motion</u>: A motion to go into closed session at this meeting as authorized pursuant to sections 19.85(1)(e) and 19.36(5) of the Wisconsin Statutes to consider confidential strategies for the investment of public funds, including (a) the review of active risk profiles of portfolio investments and the Core and Variable Trust Funds, (b) the review of specific proprietary investment strategies and investment instruments related to small cap equities, global large cap equities, funds alpha, currency exposure and exposure management, and (c) the review of broker information, was made by Mr. Denson and seconded by Ms. Fink.

The Chair called for a roll call vote.

| Denson-Aye  | Fink-Aye    | Cavaglia-Aye | Drummond-Aye |
|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Linn-Aye    | Maung-Aye   | Rector-Aye   |              |
| Shearer-Ave | Stanton-Ave | Zhang-Aye    |              |

There being ten ayes and no nays, Mr. Denson declared the motion passed. The Committee convened in closed session at 2:02 p.m. and reconvened in open session at 3:58 p.m.

# 5. <u>Announcement of Committee Actions Relating to Items Taken up in Closed Session</u>

Mr. Denson announced that, while in closed session, the Committee (i) reviewed active risk profiles of portfolio investments and the Core and Variable Trust Funds, (ii) reviewed specific proprietary investment strategies and investment instruments related to small cap equities, global large cap equities, funds alpha, currency exposure and exposure management, and (iii) reviewed broker information.

#### 6. Currency Task Force Report

Jeff Lucas, Senior Portfolio Manager–Multi-Asset Strategies, noted that a copy of the agenda for the May 16, 2022 Currency Task Force meeting was included on page 179 in the meeting materials for the Committee's information. He also provided a market update, commenting that the dollar continued to outperform on a year-to-date basis and particularly since the beginning of the second quarter, with continued strength against both emerging market and developed market currencies excluding the Mexican peso and Brazilian real.

#### 7. Research Task Force Report

Ivy Zhang, Senior Portfolio Manager—Asset & Risk Allocation, presented the *Research Task Force Report*, included on pages 185-187 in the meeting materials. Ms. Zhang provided an organizational update, including welcoming Stefano Cavaglia, Senior Portfolio Manager—Asset & Risk Allocation, as the new chair. She then reviewed the Research Task Force's projects in progress, including (a) putting on a training focused on information collection designed specifically to inform the investment process, (b) coordinating a trial of products

offered by an alternative data provider, (c) planning speaker sessions regarding the impact of proposed Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) rules and the current political climate, and (d) finalizing speakers for the June Investment Forum.

#### 8. Soft Risk Parameters

Hassan Chehime, Head of Risk Management, noted that the report *Soft Risk Parameters—Asset Class and Portfolio*, as of April 30, 2022, was included on pages 188-189 in the meeting materials for the Committee's review. He noted that there were two new discussion triggers this month relating to the mortgage-backed securities (MBS) portfolio's ex ante tracking error and the beta one portfolios' ex ante tracking error, and that the discussion trigger relating to the multi-strat portfolio's ex ante spread beta had been dropped since last month.

#### 9. Future Meeting Topics

Mr. Denson noted that draft agendas for the June 28, 2022 and July 26, 2022 IC meetings were included on pages 190-193 in the meeting materials for the Committee's review.

#### 10. Adjournment

<u>Motion</u>: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Stanton and seconded by Mr. Shearer. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

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#### STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD

#### Investment Committee Meeting-Open Session

#### **Tuesday, June 28, 2022**

Offices of the Investment Board 121 East Wilson Street, Madison, Wisconsin

Committee Members Present: Edwin Denson, Executive Director/Chief Investment Officer (Chair)

Anne-Marie Fink, Private Markets & Funds Alpha-Chief

**Investment Officer** 

Stefano Cavaglia, Senior Portfolio Manager-Asset & Risk

Allocation

Derek Drummond, Head of Funds Alpha

Diane Linn, Senior Portfolio Manager-Multi-Asset Strategies

Lin Maung, Senior Portfolio Manager-Private Equity

Jason Rector, Portfolio Manager-Funds Alpha

Mike Shearer, Head of Investment Grade Fixed Income

Nick Stanton, Head of Multi-Asset Strategies

Ivy Zhang, Senior Portfolio Manager-Asset & Risk Allocation

Sara Chandler, Chief Legal Counsel (non-voting)

Hassan Chehime, Head of Risk Management (non-voting)

Also in Attendance:

Joe Amoyal, Senior Portfolio Manager-Non-Investment Grade Fixed

Income

Larina Baird, Internal Auditor

Nathan Ballard, Senior Legal Counsel

Chelsey Barczak, GPMS Business Director

Brandon Brickner, Internal Audit Director

Kate Burkart-Paulson, Senior Legal Counsel

Bill Campbell, Data Management Director

Bridget Chen, Senior Analyst-Investment Grade Fixed Income

Christian Comito, Portfolio Manager–Investment Grade Fixed

Income

Chris Eckerman, Senior Portfolio Manager-Co-Investments

Trey Edgerle, Compliance Analyst

Greg Fletcher, Performance Director

Jameson Greenfield, Chief Financial Officer

Brian Heimsoth, Senior Portfolio Manager-Asset & Risk

Allocation

John Heshelman, Senior Portfolio Manager-Non-Investment

Grade Fixed Income

Mike Jacobs, Agency Business Director

Phil Johnson, Senior Portfolio Manager-Non-Investment Grade Fixed Income

Dave Jordan, Head of Non-Investment Grade Fixed Income

Salah Khalaf, Portfolio Manager-Private Markets & Funds

Alpha

Leo Kropywiansky, Senior Portfolio Manager–Asset & Risk Allocation

Jason Krueger, Compliance Analyst

Lisa Lange, Director of Compliance & Senior Legal Counsel

John Lahman, Senior Portfolio Manager–Investment Grade Fixed Income

Jonathan Levine, Senior Portfolio Manager–Investment Grade Fixed Income

Alex Li, Analyst-Asset & Risk Allocation

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Chad Neumann, Senior Portfolio Manager–Global Large Cap Strategy

Scott Parrish, Head of Private Equity

Chris Prestigiacomo, Head of Private Debt & Venture Capital

Joe Roth, Business Analyst

Jason Rothenberg, Head of Real Estate

Andrea Ruiz, Senior Portfolio Manager–Liquidity, Inflation & Rates Mgmt.

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#### **OPEN SESSION**

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#### 1. Approval of the Minutes

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<u>Motion</u>: A motion was made by Mr. Stanton and seconded by Mr. Maung to approve both the open session and the closed session minutes of May 24, 2022, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 2. October Board Workshop Preview

Sara Chandler, Chief Legal Counsel, discussed the upcoming October Board Workshop, which will be held in Milwaukee. Ms. Chandler noted that this is an "off year" for the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) actuarial consultant's asset allocation review, but that NEPC will do a presentation on their asset allocation work and a deep dive on allocations to private markets investments. Additional topics planned for the workshop include updates on factor investing and the macro environment, an education session on SWIB's corridor treatment, and external speakers including Manny Roman, CEO of PIMCO, and Jack Lew, managing partner at Lindsay Goldberg and former U.S. Treasury Secretary.

#### 3. Transition Update (Q1 2022)

Joe Roth, Business Analyst, reviewed the three transition events for Q1 2022 on the *Transition Management Summary*, Q1 2022, included on page 10 in the meeting materials. In the first transition, which was performed internally, approximately \$3 billion was transitioned over three months to return the multi-asset strategy to the alpha pool in connection with approved asset allocation policy changes for 2022. Mr. Roth highlighted that this transition underperformed the legacy 60/40 reference benchmark by only five basis points (bps), which was attributable to direct liquidation costs, with virtually no tracking error.

The second transition, also performed internally, implemented certain fixed income portfolio changes, including increasing the high-yield allocation in the Core Trust Fund (CTF), transitioning the global macro portfolio to a stand-alone strategy in the alpha pool, and transitioning the legacy government/credit portfolio to a credit-only, investment grade benchmark. Mr. Roth highlighted that this transition of approximately \$2.7 billion outperformed the legacy 60/40 reference benchmark by 21 bps.

Lastly, Mr. Roth reviewed the third transition to convert a beta one fixed income mandate from a blended government/credit benchmark to an all-investment grade credit benchmark. This \$1.5 billion transition, managed by the BlackRock Transition Management team, was completed in two transhes and fell within the established shortfall tolerance range.

#### 4. Amendments to Investment Committee WRS Investment Guidelines

Ms. Chandler discussed the proposed amendments to the SWIB Investment Committee Wisconsin Retirement System Investment Guidelines, included on pages 11-56 in the meeting materials. She noted that the proposed changes updated the derivatives guidelines to permit investments in exchange-traded notes (ETNs), the underlying securities of which are traded on exchanges included on an internal approved-exchange list maintained by the Compliance division, with notification required to the Risk and Compliance divisions for any investment in a new ETN not previously held in the applicable portfolio.

In addition, the proposed changes (a) increased the total exposure limit for below-investment grade (BIG) issues in the mortgage-backed securities (MBS) portfolio from 15% to 20% of

the portfolio, consistent with similar limitations for the high-yield bond and investment grade credit portfolios, (b) incorporated global changes applicable to the portfolios in the Private Markets & Funds Alpha (PMFA) division so that external consultants are no longer required to provide a written recommendation for prospective investments with new managers and instead to provide investment staff the discretion to use consultants, (c) removed the limitation that no more than 2% of the CTF may be invested in venture capital, consistent with the removal of the corresponding regulatory requirement in prior years, and (d) added new ex-ante tracking error soft risk parameter discussion triggers for the high-yield bond and leveraged loan portfolios.

<u>Motion</u>: A motion was made by Mr. Drummond and seconded by Mr. Shearer to approve the proposed amendments to the *SWIB Investment Committee WRS Investment Guidelines*, as presented in the Committee materials. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 5. Private Markets & Funds Alpha Division Update

Anne-Marie Fink, Private Markets & Funds Alpha—Chief Investment Officer, presented the *Private Markets & Funds Alpha Overview*. She highlighted that, with respect to the Committee's decision to remove the external consultant recommendation requirement from the guidelines, the PMFA division does not currently intend to stop working with consultants and will continue doing so where they are beneficial, while also focusing on leveraging staff's internal capabilities and expertise.

Ms. Fink then reported that, in response to the "denominator effect" and associated increase in the private markets' portfolios as a percentage of the CTF, the Board recently approved continued application of the corridor treatment, which reflects the inability to rebalance private investments and adjusts the policy benchmark to the actual exposure to private markets asset classes even if the exposure is outside the previously established rebalancing ranges. This broader corridor treatment will be in place until the implementation of the approved 2023 asset allocation targets. She noted that this approach benefits the PMFA division by reducing the impact of the timing mismatch arising from the delay in private markets' quarterly reporting and valuations while positioning staff with the ability to pursue compelling strategic opportunities as other investors reduce or halt allocations due to the denominator effect. Scott Parrish, Head of Private Equity, noted that investment staff plans to take advantage of the opportunity to increase exposure to high quality, in-demand managers.

#### 6. Q1 2022 Quarterly Updates

#### A. Private Equity

Mr. Parrish presented the *Quarterly Activity Report – Private Equity*, included on pages 57-79 in the meeting materials. He provided a private equity market update for Q1 2022, noting that (a) U.S. private equity fundraising dollars decreased relative to Q1 2021, while the number of funds raised remained flat, indicating that sponsors have been raising smaller funds on average so far in 2022, (b) U.S. private equity deal activity in dollars and the number of deals have increased year-over-year, while the number of exits and exit value have declined, with both returning closer to 2020 levels after the record levels set in 2021, and (c) nearly two-thirds of portfolio company exit activity involved sponsor-to-sponsor

transactions, as there was no market for IPOs for private equity-backed companies in the quarter.

Mr. Parrish then reported that, as of March 31, 2022, the market value of the aggregate private equity portfolio (excluding private debt and venture capital) exceeded \$16 billion and, when including the venture capital, private debt, and overage portfolios, made up approximately 14.9% of the CTF. The Committee discussed the increased total exposure as of the meeting date, due in large part to the denominator effect. He observed that the number of capital call notices received in Q1 2022 declined relative to Q1 2021, as sponsors are now issuing capital calls to pay back subscription lines of credit used to fund transactions that were closed in 2021.

With respect to performance, Mr. Parrish highlighted that the core private equity and current return portfolios outperformed their benchmarks for the one-, three-, and five-year time periods and that, as of March 31, 2022, the combined private equity and co-investment portfolios achieved second quartile performance for vintage years 2014-2019 and first quartile performance for 2020 and 2021. He also discussed the five-year internal rates of return (IRRs) for the portfolios' sub-strategies, noting particularly strong performance in growth equity and equity co-investments. Mr. Parrish responded to questions regarding (i) the credit/distressed sub-strategy, noting that the team continues to evaluate compelling opportunities, and (ii) the discrepancies, particularly in recent years, between the capital-weighted pooled average and median performance numbers.

Mr. Parrish then discussed the private equity portfolio's (a) sub-asset class diversification, answering questions regarding transparency into the benchmark's diversification, (b) public versus private portfolio company exposure, stating that public exposure was generally consistent with recent years, and (c) geographic and industry diversification, noting the overweight to the U.S., and answering questions regarding the underweight to energy and overweight to information technology. He highlighted the commitments made in Q1 2022 in one of the team's busiest quarters ever, with approximately \$1.6 billion made in fund commitments. Lastly, he reviewed the portfolio pipeline for Q2 2022 and confirmed that the portfolio remained in compliance with all investment guidelines.

#### **B.** Real Estate

Jason Rothenberg, Head of Real Estate, presented the *Quarterly Activity Report – Real Estate*, included on pages 80-93 in the meeting materials. He discussed the current market and the real estate portfolio's benchmark, noting that (a) the one-year benchmark return is at its highest level since inception, with one-year net income returns near all-time lows for core real estate, (b) particularly strong returns from the industrial sector are driving benchmark returns, and (c) property type weights in the benchmark have shifted in the past few years, with industrial and multi-family increasing as a percentage of the benchmark and retail and office decreasing. Mr. Rothenberg responded to questions regarding the real estate industry's use of appraisers and valuation practices, cap rates relative to historical levels, and the anticipated impact of rising interest rates.

Mr. Rothenberg then reviewed the real estate portfolio, noting that its market value of \$10.2 billion as of March 31, 2022 represented approximately 7.8% of the CTF. He commented on the portfolio's risk profile, stating that there were no material changes in the relative percentage of core, opportunistic, and value holdings, and answered questions

regarding the portfolio's total leverage relative to the benchmark. He then reviewed the portfolio's diversification by property type and noted that the increase to the industrial and multi-family sectors and decrease to office and retail is directionally similar to the benchmark.

Mr. Rothenberg then reviewed the portfolio's performance, reporting that the portfolio outperformed the benchmark over the one-, three-, five-, and ten-year time periods, and answered questions regarding the portfolio's exposure to multi-family investments. Lastly, he discussed the five new commitments made in the quarter and the active pipeline under review, and confirmed that the portfolio remained in compliance with its investment guidelines.

#### C. Private Debt

Chris Prestigiacomo, Head of Private Debt & Venture Capital, presented the *Private Debt Portfolio Investment Committee Quarterly Report*, included on pages 94-100 in the meeting materials. He reported that one new loan was closed during the quarter, with a credit quality of BBB and a credit spread of over 165 bps, and three loans were paid off as expected. He then reviewed the portfolio characteristics, noting that (a) the portfolio's market value declined by approximately \$58 million from the prior quarter, (b) the portfolio's and the benchmark's yields to maturity increased from the prior quarter, (c) the portfolio's aggregate BIG holdings declined to 5% as loans were paid off in the quarter, and the team continues to seek out more BIG opportunities, (d) the team continues to work on decreasing the portfolio's concentration in the industrial sector, and (e) geographic diversification continues to increase, with approximately 43% of non-Wisconsin loans made to companies outside of the portfolio's legacy non-Wisconsin region.

Mr. Prestigiacomo reviewed the portfolio's performance, highlighting that the portfolio outperformed its benchmark over all time periods, despite negative absolute performance for the one-year period. With respect to the market, although fundraising among private debt funds has declined relative to the prior quarter, interest remains strong in private debt investing and overall fundraising is expected to be flat for the year. Mr. Prestigiacomo answered questions regarding the team's deal sourcing process, particularly with respect to non-Wisconsin loans, and the percentage of the portfolio allocated to loans with AA and A credit quality. Finally, he reported that there were no problem credits or workouts in the portfolio, which remained in compliance with its guidelines.

#### 7. Convene in Closed Session

<u>Motion</u>: A motion to go into closed session at this meeting as authorized pursuant to sections 19.85(1)(e) and 19.36(5) of the Wisconsin Statutes to consider confidential strategies for the investment of public funds, including (a) the review of active risk profiles of portfolio investments and the Core and Variable Trust Funds, and (b) the review of specific proprietary investment strategies and investment instruments related to private equity, real estate, private debt, venture capital, and exposure management was made by Ms. Fink and seconded by Ms. Linn.

The Chair called for a roll call vote.

| Denson-Aye  | Fink-Aye    | Cavaglia-Aye | Drummond-Aye |
|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Linn-Aye    | Maung-Aye   | Rector-Aye   |              |
| Shearer-Aye | Stanton-Aye | Zhang-Aye    |              |

There being ten ayes and no nays, Mr. Denson declared the motion passed. The Committee convened in closed session at 2:35 p.m. and reconvened in open session at 3:30 p.m.

## 8. <u>Announcement of Committee Actions Relating to Items Taken up in Closed Session</u>

Mr. Denson announced that, while in closed session, the Committee (i) reviewed active risk profiles of portfolio investments and the Core and Variable Trust Funds, and (ii) reviewed specific proprietary investment strategies and investment instruments related to private equity, real estate, private debt, venture capital, and exposure management.

#### 9. Soft Risk Parameters

Hassan Chehime, Head of Risk Management, noted that the report *Soft Risk Parameters—Asset Class and Portfolio*, as of May 31, 2022, was included on pages 185-186 in the meeting materials for the Committee's review. He noted that there was one new discussion trigger this month relating to the global macro portfolio's ex ante spread beta. He also noted that the discussion trigger relating to the beta one portfolios' ex ante tracking error had been dropped since last month.

#### 10. Future Meeting Topics

Mr. Denson noted that draft agendas for the July 26, 2022 and August 23, 2022 IC meetings were included on pages 187-190 in the meeting materials for the Committee's review.

#### 11. Adjournment

<u>Motion</u>: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Fink and seconded by Mr. Stanton. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 3:33 p.m.

| Date of Committee Approval: Signed: /s/Sara Chandler |                       | 7/26/2022 |  |
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| Signed:  | /s/Sara Chandler      |           |  |
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#### STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD

#### Investment Committee Meeting-Open Session

#### **Tuesday, July 26, 2022**

Offices of the Investment Board 121 East Wilson Street, Madison, Wisconsin

Committee Members Present: Edwin Denson, Executive Director/Chief Investment Officer (Chair)

Anne-Marie Fink, Private Markets & Funds Alpha-Chief

**Investment Officer** 

Stefano Cavaglia, Senior Portfolio Manager-Asset & Risk

Allocation

Derek Drummond, Head of Funds Alpha

Diane Linn, Senior Portfolio Manager-Multi-Asset Strategies

Lin Maung, Senior Portfolio Manager-Private Equity

Jason Rector, Portfolio Manager-Funds Alpha

Mike Shearer, Head of Investment Grade Fixed Income

Nick Stanton, Head of Multi-Asset Strategies

Ivy Zhang, Senior Portfolio Manager-Asset & Risk Allocation

Sara Chandler, Chief Legal Counsel (non-voting)

Hassan Chehime, Head of Risk Management (non-voting)

Rochelle Klaskin, Deputy Executive Director/Chief Administrative

Officer (non-voting)

Also in Attendance: Larina Baird, Internal Auditor

Nathan Ballard, Senior Legal Counsel

Chelsey Barczak, GPMS Business Director

Derek Bloom, Senior Portfolio Manager-Asset & Risk Allocation

Brandon Brickner, Internal Audit Director Kate Burkart-Paulson, Senior Legal Counsel

Bridget Chen, Senior Analyst-Investment Grade Fixed Income

Trey Edgerle, Compliance Analyst Greg Fletcher, Performance Director

Chirag Gandhi, Senior Portfolio Manager-Global Macro

Jameson Greenfield, Chief Financial Officer

Brian Heimsoth, Senior Portfolio Manager-Asset & Risk

Allocation

John Heshelman, Senior Portfolio Manager-Non-Investment

Grade Fixed Income

Mike Jacobs, Agency Business Director

Phil Johnson, Senior Portfolio Manager-Non-Investment Grade Fixed Income

Dave Jordan. Head of Non-Investment Grade Fixed Income

Salah Khalaf, Portfolio Manager–Private Markets & Funds

Alpha

John Lahman, Senior Portfolio Manager-Investment Grade

Fixed Income

Lisa Lange, Director of Compliance & Senior Legal Counsel

Jonathan Levine, Senior Portfolio Manager–Investment Grade Fixed Income

Alex Li, Analyst-Asset & Risk Allocation

Shan Lo, Senior Portfolio Manager-Multi-Asset Strategies

Jon Loboda, Performance Measurement Operations Manager

Jeff Lucas, Senior Portfolio Manager-Multi-Asset Strategies

Bill Luetzow, Legal Counsel

Damian Maroun, Head of Trading and Execution

Edward Martinez, PMFA Business Director

Frank Mazzucco, Legal Counsel

Joy Mukherjee, Senior Portfolio Manager–U.S. Small Cap Strategy

Chad Neumann, Senior Portfolio Manager–Global Large Cap Strategy

Anand Rakesh, Director of Risk Analytics & Financial Engineering Systems

Jay Risch, Government Relations Liaison

Tom Robinson, Head of Corporate Governance

Andrea Ruiz, Senior Portfolio Manager–Liquidity, Inflation & Rates Mgmt.

Jon Simon, Senior Portfolio Manager–Investment Grade Fixed Income Chris Spiering, Senior Portfolio Manager–Non-Investment Grade Fixed Income

Matt Terpstra, Internal Auditor

Rob Thornton, ARA Business Director

Dawn Tuescher, Executive Administrative Assistant

Rob Vanderpool, Fund Administration Director

Terri Wilhelm, Senior Paralegal

Eileen Neill, Verus Advisory

Chris Levell, NEPC

(Some individuals may have attended only portions of the meeting.)

#### **OPEN SESSION**

With a quorum present, Edwin Denson, Chair of the Investment Committee, called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

#### 1. Approval of the Minutes

Mr. Denson asked if there were any comments on either the open or closed session minutes of the June 28, 2022 Investment Committee (IC) meeting. Hearing no comments, Mr. Denson stated that the Committee could approve both the open and closed session minutes in open session.

<u>Motion</u>: A motion was made by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Mr. Stanton to approve both the open session and the closed session minutes of June 28, 2022, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 2. <u>June Investment Forum Debrief</u>

Jonathan Levine, Senior Portfolio Manager–Investment Grade Fixed Income, noted that feedback for the annual Investment Forum, held on June 14-15, 2022, has been favorable, with attendees pleased with the conference's substantive topics, speaker lineup and virtual format. He highlighted that approximately 180 participants attending each day. Over 90% of survey participants found the session topics to be relevant and timely, and 75% reported that they would prefer to continue the virtual format for future conferences.

#### 3. Q2 2022 Quarterly Updates

Nick Stanton, Head of Multi-Asset Strategies, presented the *Global Public Markets Strategies Quarterly Update*, included on pages 11-20 in the meeting materials. Mr. Stanton reported on performance from the Global Public Market Strategies division for Q2 2022, noting that only one of the seven division strategies generated positive performance relative to its benchmark year-to-date with all division strategies and benchmarks exhibiting negative absolute returns year-to-date. He confirmed that each portfolio was in compliance with its guidelines during Q2 2022.

Mike Shearer, Head of Investment Grade Fixed Income, then provided a market review, included on pages 21-24 in the meeting materials. He noted that (a) rising inflation and concerns about the Federal Reserve continuing to raise interest rates contributed to persistent market volatility and recessionary concerns, (b) geopolitical risk arising out of the Russia-Ukraine conflict, continued supply chain disruptions, higher energy prices, and the imposition of COVID-19 containment measures in China also led to elevated volatility, (c) sovereign rates increased in both developed and emerging markets, (d) the U.S. dollar strengthened materially relative to both developed and emerging market currencies in Q2, with the Euro trading below parity with the U.S. dollar for the first time in nearly two decades, (e) credit spreads continued to widen during the quarter for both U.S. investment grade credit and high yield bonds, and (f) performance of the equity markets mirrored the broader risk-off trend with declines in broad-based indices, while more market-neutral factors performed relatively well. Mr. Shearer, Mr. Stanton, and Dave Jordan, Head of Non-Investment Grade Fixed Income, then responded to questions regarding portfolio positioning in the new market environment.

#### 4. Convene in Closed Session

<u>Motion</u>: A motion to go into closed session at this meeting as authorized pursuant to sections 19.85(1)(e) and 19.36(5) of the Wisconsin Statutes to consider confidential strategies for the investment of public funds, including (a) the review of active risk profiles of portfolio investments and the Core and Variable Trust Funds, and (b) the review of specific proprietary investment strategies and investment instruments related to short-term credit, investment grade and non-investment grade fixed income, multi-asset, and exposure management was made by Ms. Fink and seconded by Mr. Drummond.

The Chair called for a roll call vote.

Denson-Aye Fink-Aye Cavaglia-Aye Drummond-Aye Linn-Aye Maung-Aye Rector-Aye

Linn-Aye Maung-Aye Rector-Aye Shearer-Aye Stanton-Aye Zhang-Aye There being ten ayes and no nays, Mr. Denson declared the motion passed. The Committee convened in closed session at 1:48 p.m. and reconvened in open session at 6:04 p.m.

## 5. <u>Announcement of Committee Actions Relating to Items Taken up in Closed Session</u>

Mr. Denson announced that, while in closed session, the Committee (i) reviewed active risk profiles of portfolio investments and the Core and Variable Trust Funds, and (ii) reviewed specific proprietary investment strategies and investment instruments related to short-term credit, investment grade and non-investment grade fixed income, multi-asset and exposure management.

#### 6. **QIR Certification**

Lisa Lange, Director of Compliance and Senior Legal Counsel, presented a proposal that the Committee appoint Jon Simon as a Qualified Independent Representative (QIR) for Fixed Income Total Return Swap Baskets, as set forth on pages 181-186 in the meeting materials. She noted that the appointment would be for all approved counterparties with whom SWIB has a master netting agreement for such instruments. Ms. Lange noted that Mr. Simon's signed Internal QIR Certificate and Agreement documenting his relevant knowledge and experience were included in the meeting materials for the Committee's review. She also explained that, if approved as a new QIR, Mr. Simon will become subject to quarterly and annual certifications regarding his QIR status as a condition of his employment.

<u>Motion</u>: A motion was made by Mr. Stanton and seconded by Mr. Cavaglia to approve that Jon Simon meets all of the QIR Criteria with respect to Fixed Income Total Return Swap Baskets, for all approved counterparties with whom SWIB has a master netting agreement for such instruments, from time to time, and he is approved to act and is hereby appointed as a QIR with respect to such counterparties. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 7. Soft Risk Parameters

Hassan Chehime, Head of Risk Management, noted that the report *Soft Risk Parameters—Asset Class and Portfolio*, as of June 30, 2022, was included on pages 187-188 in the meeting materials for the Committee's review. He noted that there were three new discussion triggers this month relating to the ex ante tracking errors of the leveraged loan, high yield, and beta one portfolios.

#### 8. Fair Value Measurement of WRS Investments

Mr. Denson noted that a report entitled *Fair Value Measurement Review of WRS Investments*, with an overview of the nature and liquidity of SWIB's assets, was included on pages 189-199 in the meeting materials for the Committee's review.

#### 9. Future Meeting Topics

Mr. Denson noted that draft agendas for the August 23, 2022 and September 27, 2022 IC meetings were included on pages 200-203 in the meeting materials for the Committee's review.

#### 10. Adjournment

<u>Motion</u>: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Shearer and seconded by Ms. Fink. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Date of Committee Approval: 8/23/2022

Signed: /s/ Sara Chandler

Sara Chandler, Secretary Investment Committee



Name of Meeting: Staff Investment Committee Meeting

**Date/Time:** Tuesday, August 23, 2022 1:00 pm

**Room:** Presentation Room – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

Address: 121 E. Wilson St., Madison WI 53703

| Est. Time<br>Minutes | Action<br>Item | Topic  | Presenter                                       |
|----------------------|----------------|--|---|
|                      |                | OPEN SESSION   |   |
|                      | Motion         | <ol> <li>Approval of the Minutes – Open Session</li> <li>July 26, 2022</li> </ol>  |   |
| 35                   |                | <ul><li>Q2 2022 Quarterly Updates</li><li>A. Small Cap</li><li>B. Global Large Cap Equities</li><li>C. Funds Alpha</li></ul> | Joy Mukherjee<br>Chad Neumann<br>Derek Drummond |
|                      | Motion         | CLOSED SESSION*  |   |
|                      | Motion         | RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION  |   |
|                      |                | 3. Announcement of Committee Actions Relating to Items Taken Up in Closed Session  |   |
| 5                    | Motion         | 4. QIR Certification   | Lisa Lange                                      |
| 5                    |                | 5. Brokerage Task Force Report   | Damian Maroun                                   |
| 5                    |                | 6. Currency Task Force Report  | Shan Lo   |
| 5                    |                | 7. Research Task Force Report  | Stefano Cavaglia                                |
|                      |                | Quarterly Performance Review (Q2 2022)     (No presentation unless requested)  |   |
|                      |                | Soft Risk Parameters (No presentation unless requested)  |   |

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| NOTES: Items may be taken in order other than listed.  |   |
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#### **Future Meetings**

9/27/22 – September Committee Mtg. 10/25/22 – October Committee Mtg. 11/22/22 – November Committee Mtg. 12/15/22 – December Committee Mtg.

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#### **Non-voting Committee Members**

Rochelle Klaskin, Deputy Executive Director/CAO Sara Chandler (Secretary), Chief Legal Counsel Hassan Chehime, Head of Risk Management



Name of Meeting: Staff Investment Committee Meeting

Date/Time: Tuesday, September 27, 2022 1:00 pm

**Room:** Presentation Room – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

Address: 121 E. Wilson St., Madison WI 53703

| Est. Time<br>Minutes | Action<br>Item | Topic   | Presenter  |  |
|----------------------|----------------|---|--|--|
|                      |                | OPEN SESSION  |  |  |
|                      | Motion         | Approval of the Minutes – Open Session     A. August 23, 2022                     |  |  |
| 5                    | Motion         | 2. Approval of Provisional Benchmark  | Eileen Neill, Verus                                      |  |
| 10                   | Motion         | Amendments to Investment Committee WRS     Investment Guidelines                  | Sara Chandler  |  |
| 5                    |                | 4. Private Markets & Funds Alpha Division Update                                  | Anne-Marie Fink  |  |
| 30                   |                | 5. Q2 2022 Quarterly Updates A. Private Equity B. Real Estate C. Private Debt     | Scott Parrish<br>Jason Rothenberg<br>Chris Prestigiacomo |  |
|                      | Motion         | CLOSED SESSION*   |  |  |
|                      | Motion         | RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION   |  |  |
|                      |                | 6. Announcement of Committee Actions Relating to Items Taken Up in Closed Session |  |  |
| 10                   |                | 7. Corporate Governance Update  | Tom Robinson   |  |
| 10                   |                | 8. Transition Update (Q2 2022)  | Joe Roth   |  |
| 5                    |                | 9. October Board Workshop Preview   | Sara Chandler  |  |

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|        | 10. Soft Risk Parameters (No presentation unless requested)  |  |
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|        | 11. Future Meeting Topics  |  |
| Motion | 12. Motion to Adjourn  |  |
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10/25/22 – October Committee Mtg. 11/22/22 – November Committee Mtg. 12/15/22 – December Committee Mtg.

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#### **Non-voting Committee Members**

Rochelle Klaskin, Deputy Executive Director/CAO Sara Chandler (Secretary), Chief Legal Counsel Hassan Chehime, Head of Risk Management



Name of Meeting: Staff Investment Committee Meeting

Date/Time: Tuesday, October 25, 2022 1:00 pm

**Room:** Presentation Room – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

Address: 121 E. Wilson St., Madison WI 53703

| Est. Time<br>Minutes | Action<br>Item | Topic  | Presenter                                   |
|----------------------|----------------|--|---|
|                      |                | OPEN SESSION   |   |
|                      | Motion         | Approval of the Minutes – Open Session     A. September 27, 2022               |   |
| 30                   | Motion         | 2. Annual Benchmark Presentation   | Eileen Neill, Verus                         |
| 10                   |                | 3. Q3 2022 Quarterly Updates   | Dave Jordan<br>Mike Shearer<br>Nick Stanton |
|                      | Motion         | CLOSED SESSION*  |   |
|                      | Motion         | RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION  |   |
|                      |                | Announcement of Committee Actions Relating to Items Taken Up in Closed Session |   |
| 15                   |                | 5. Separately Managed Funds Update   | Rob Thornton                                |
| 5                    |                | 6. October Board Workshop Debrief  | Sara Chandler                               |
|                      |                | 7. Soft Risk Parameters (No presentation unless requested)                     |   |
|                      |                | 8. Future Meeting Topics   |   |
|                      | Motion         | 9. Motion to Adjourn   |   |

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### **Board Meeting**

Tab 7 - Quarterly Investment Update, Q2 2022



# Quarterly Investment Update

Board Meeting September 14, 2022

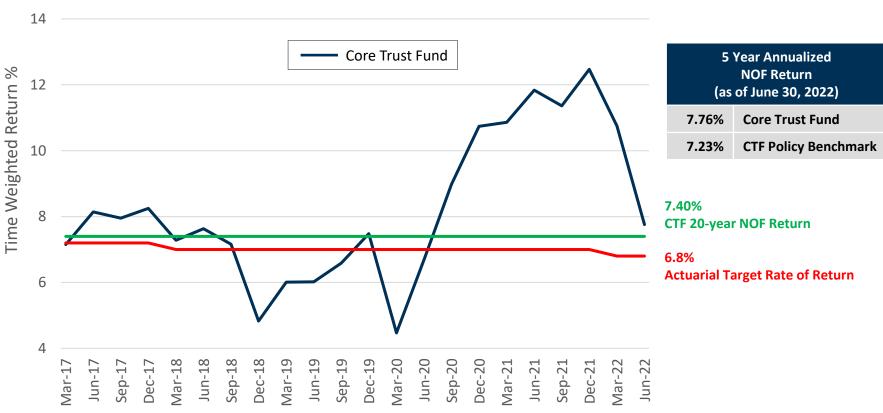
## Performance Trends & Outlook



## CTF 5 Year Rolling Return Trend

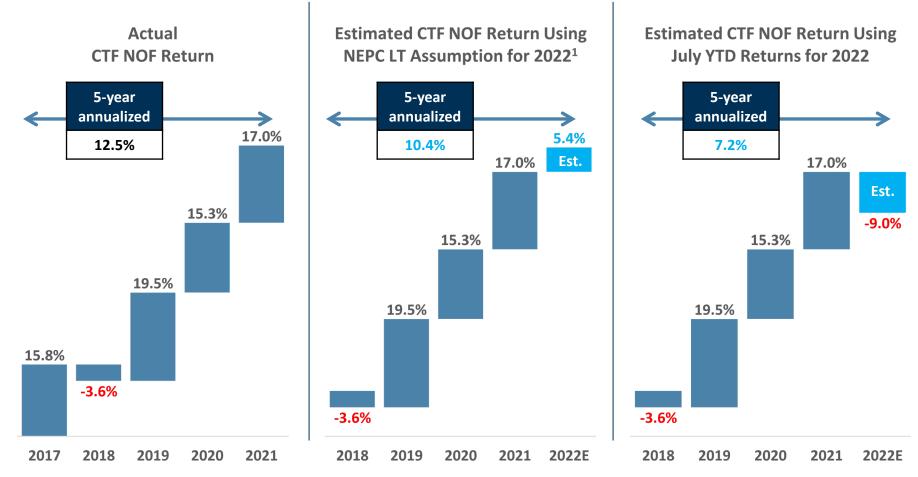
Quarter-end Results Through June 30, 2022

## CTF 5 Year Rolling Annualized Net of External Manager Fee Return % ("NOF" Return)



## CTF 5-year Return Estimate

Calendar year and 5-year annualized returns



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The NEPC 10-year expected return assumption is used to estimate 2022



## CTF Policy Benchmark & Other Indices

Equity and Fixed Income asset classes declined severely to start the year

| July 31, 2022: Total Rate of Return %, Annualized |        |        |       |      |                 |
|---|--------|--------|-------|------|-----------------|
| Index Name (Gross Return Basis, unless noted)     | YTD    | 1yr    | 5yr   | 10yr | 10yr volatility |
| CTF Policy Benchmark (Gross)                      | (9.1)  | (4.7)  | 8.0   | 8.1  | 7.9             |
| MSCI USA  | (13.7) | (6.9)  | 12.8  | 13.7 | 14.2            |
| MSCI USA Small Cap                                | (13.1) | (10.6) | 9.1   | 12.0 | 17.8            |
| MSCI World ex US Equities                         | (14.7) | (13.2) | 3.1   | 5.7  | 14.0            |
| MSCI World ex US Equities (Local)                 | (6.7)  | (2.0)  | 5.4   | 8.6  | 11.8            |
| MSCI EAFE Small Cap                               | (19.5) | (19.9) | 2.7   | 8.2  | 15.3            |
| MSCI Emerging Markets ex China                    | (16.7) | (15.2) | 2.9   |      |                 |
| MSCI China  | (19.6) | (28.2) | (1.4) | 4.5  | 19.5            |
| MSCI ACWI   | (14.4) | (10.1) | 8.4   | 9.9  | 13.5            |
| MSCI ACWI (Local)                                 | (11.7) | (6.3)  | 9.4   | 11.3 | 12.4            |
| Bloomberg US Gov't / Credit                       | (9.1)  | (10.1) | 1.4   | 1.7  | 4.0             |
| ICE BOFA High Yield BB/B                          | (8.3)  | (7.2)  | 3.1   | 4.8  | 6.9             |
| Bloomberg U.S. TIPs                               | (5.0)  | (3.6)  | 4.0   | 2.0  | 4.6             |

Source: Factset, SWIB



## **Asset Class Review**

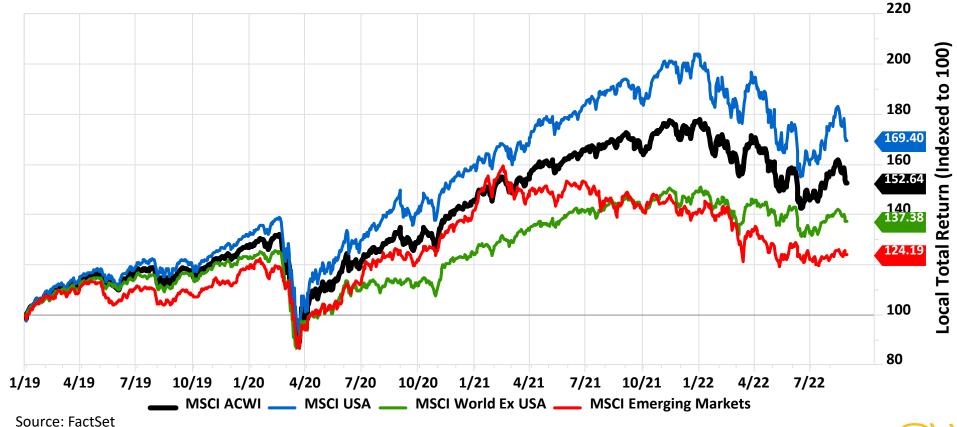


## Global Equities - Performance

Equity markets have bounced back broadly after steep selloff in the first two quarters

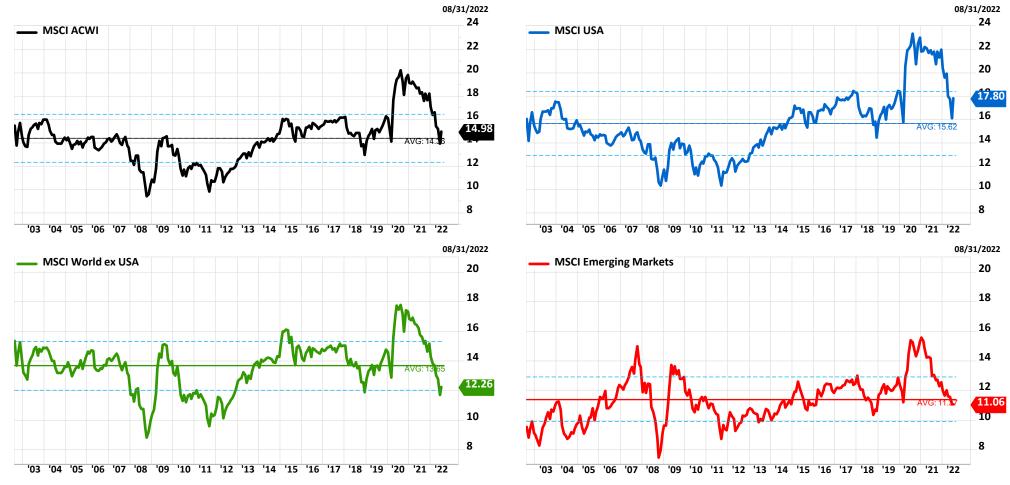
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## **Local Equity Performance**



## Global Equities - Valuation

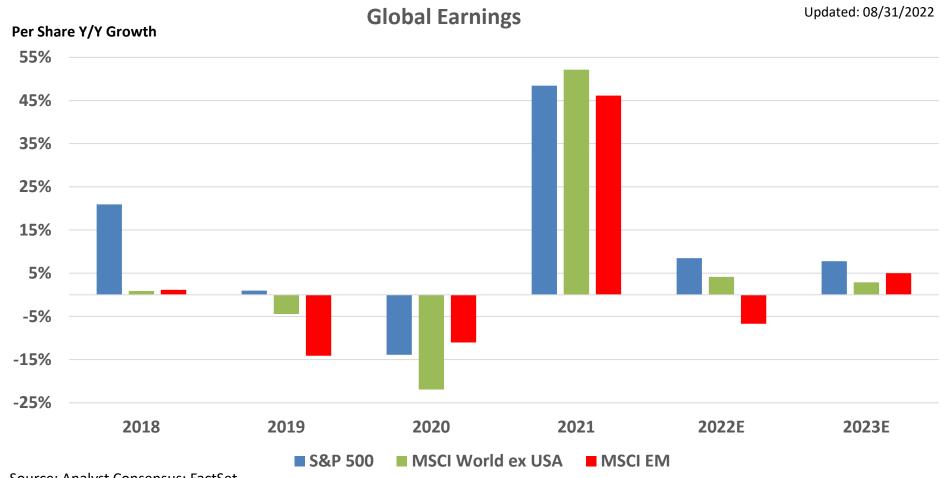
U.S. P/E ratios have risen recently while EM P/E ratios continue to decrease



Source: FactSet Market Aggregates - Next Twelve Month P/E Ratio, monthly, 20-year Average with 1 Std. Dev. Bands



# Earnings Growth 2022 expectations have fallen in recent weeks

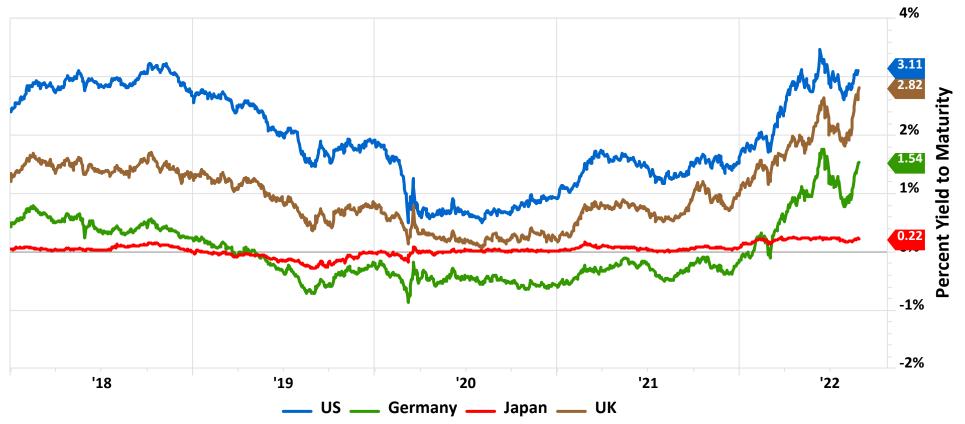




## Global Bonds

US yield edges up as investors weigh inflation and global economic growth





Source: FactSet

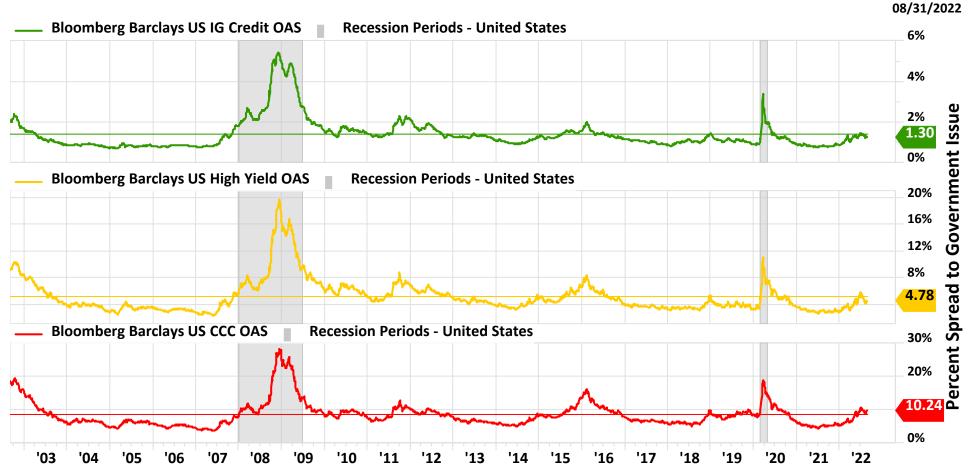


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## **Credit Sectors**

Source: FactSet

Spreads are higher and have reached the long run averages

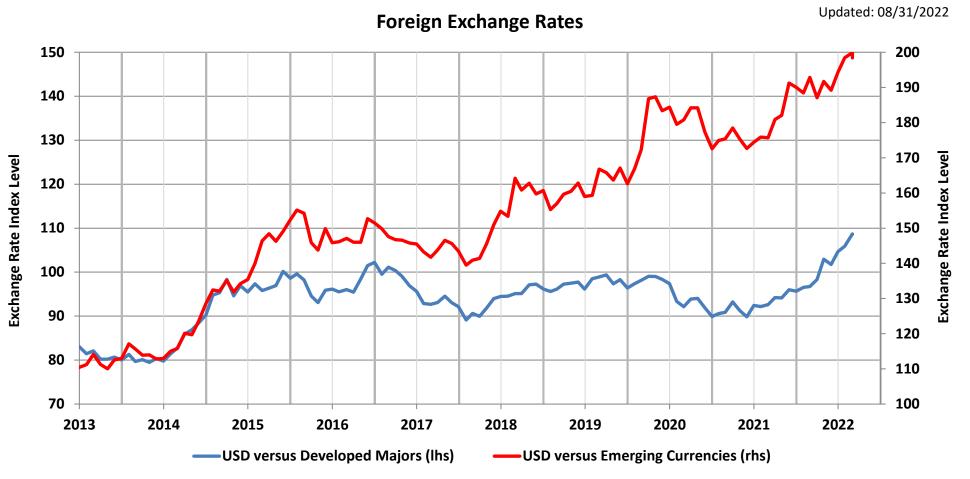




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## **Currency Performance**

USD has continued to strengthen



Source: Bloomberg, DXY Index, JPM Emerging Markets Currency Index (Inverted)

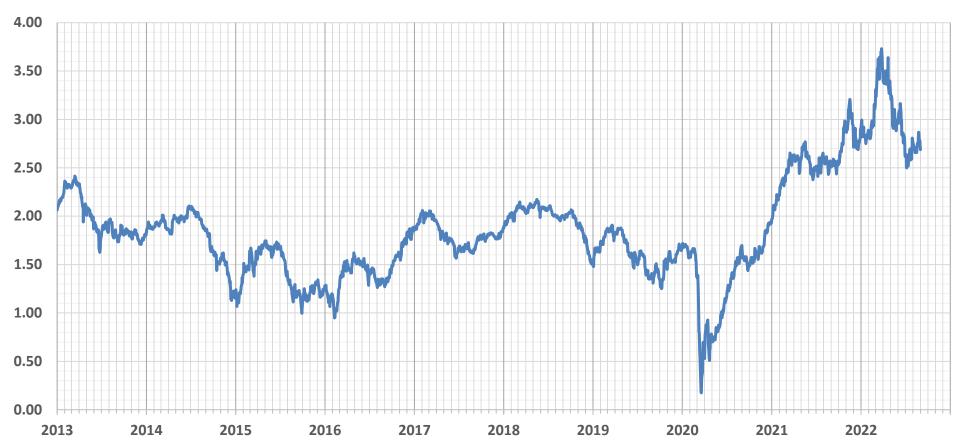


## U.S. Inflation

Medium term expectations remain higher than Fed's long-range targets

#### **US 5 Year Breakeven Inflation**

As of: 08/31/2022



Source: Bloomberg

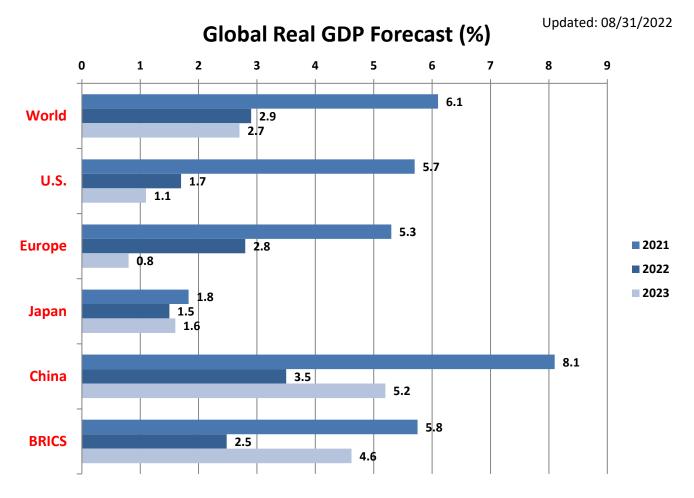


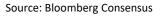
## Appendix



## Global Growth

2022 growth expectations have cooled globally

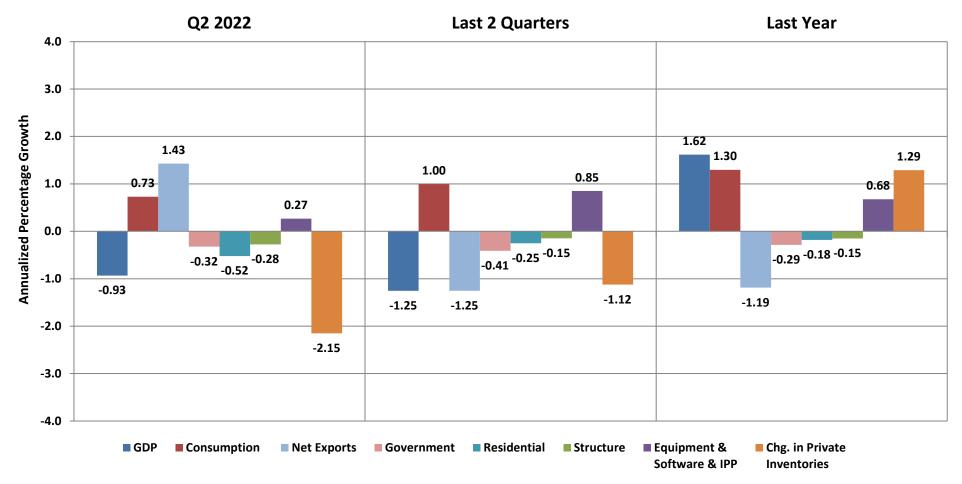






## U.S. Growth

First half of 2022 driven by consumption and private investment

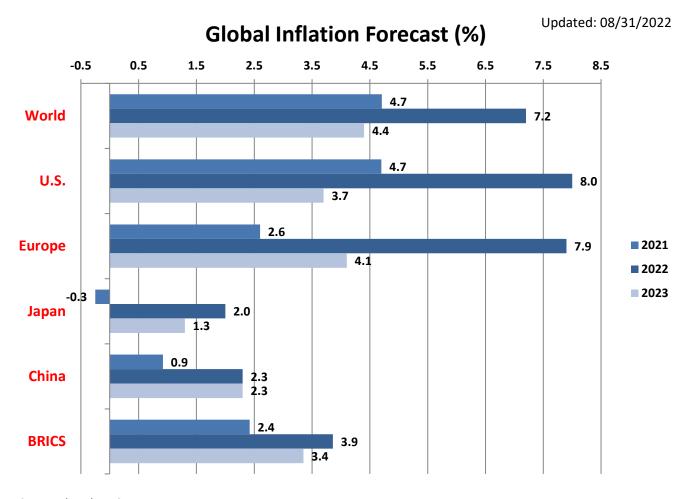


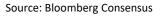
Source: Bloomberg, Bureau of Economics Analysis



# **Global Inflation**

Consensus expectations for 2022 are higher globally

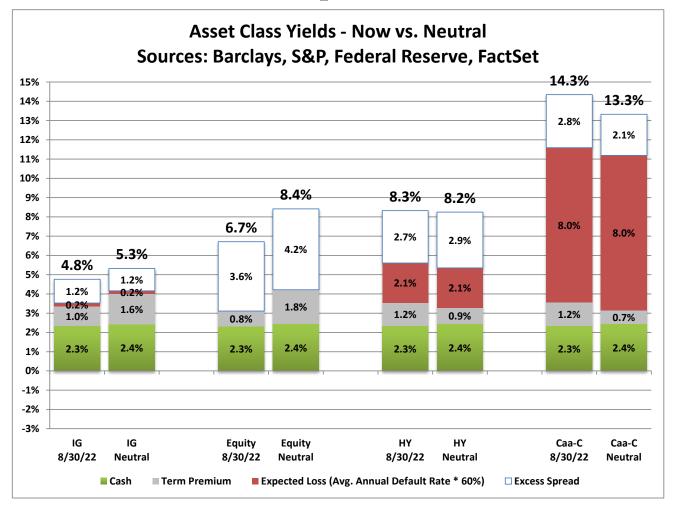






# **Asset Yields**

Yield on cash investments has returned to equilibrium level





# **Valuation Indicators**

U.S. equity and credit valuations are closer to long run averages

| Valuation Metric                         | Valuation<br>Date | Current | 1 Yr | 5Yr  | 10 Yr | All Data | Earliest<br>Data |
|--|-------------------|---------|------|------|-------|----------|------------------|
| 10 Year Treasury Yield (%)               | Aug-2022          | 3.1     | 2.2  | 1.9  | 2.1   | 5.9      | Jan-62           |
| S&P 500 Forward P/E (NTM)                | Aug-2022          | 17.9    | 19.3 | 19.1 | 17.7  | 16.4     | Jan-90           |
| MSCI xUS Forward P/E (NTM)               | Aug-2022          | 12.0    | 13.5 | 14.9 | 14.8  | 14.0     | Feb-05           |
| Private Equity Multiple (EBITDA, Large)  | Jun-2022          | 12.1    | 8.9  | 10.8 | 10.5  | 9.2      | Jan-94           |
| Barclays Corp Investment Grade OAS (bps) | Aug-2022          | 140     | 118  | 117  | 125   | 131      | Jun-89           |
| Barclays Corp High Yield OAS (bps)       | Aug-2022          | 478     | 377  | 397  | 433   | 496      | Jan-94           |
| US Inflation (Calendar YoY %)            | Aug-2022          | 8.5     | 7.4  | 3.2  | 2.2   | 3.8      | Jan-62           |
| US Real GDP Growth (Calendar YoY %)      | Aug-2022          | 1.7     | 3.9  | 2.0  | 2.1   | 3.0      | Dec-61           |
| US Volatility                            | Aug-2022          | 23.4    | 24.6 | 20.9 | 18.0  | 19.7     | Jan-90           |
| <b>Europe Volatility</b>                 | Aug-2022          | 27.5    | 26.5 | 21.5 | 21.0  | 23.9     | Jan-99           |
| UK Volatility                            | Aug-2022          | 17.2    | 20.6 | 18.9 | 17.1  | 18.6     | Jan-00           |
| Japan Volatility                         | Aug-2022          | 18.2    | 23.4 | 21.9 | 22.5  | 24.6     | Jan-98           |

US 2022 GDP Growth Forecast: 1.7%

US 2022 CPI Forecast: 8.0%

Source: FactSet, Bloomberg



# **Board Meeting**

Tab 8 - Announcement of Matters Taken Up in Closed Session

# **Board Meeting**

Tab 9 - In the Absence of Questions, the Following Reports will be filed without comment (for informational purposes):

- A. Draft Open Session Minutes of May 18, 2022 Enterprise Risk and Compliance Committee Meeting
- B. New Contracts, Q2 2022
- C. Quarterly Charges to Funds Report, Q2 2022
- D. Private Markets and Funds Alpha Commitments, Q2 2022

#### STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD

# Enterprise Risk and Compliance Committee-Open Session

#### Wednesday, May 18, 2022

#### Via Teleconference

Committee Members Present: Lisa Lange, Director of Compliance & Senior Legal

Counsel (Co-Chair)

Hassan Chehime, Head of Risk Management (Co-Chair) Jameson Greenfield, Chief Financial Officer (Vice Chair)

Sara Chandler, Chief Legal Counsel (Secretary)

Edwin Denson, Executive Director/Chief Investment Officer

Brian Heimsoth, Portfolio Manager Mike Jacobs, Agency Business Director

Rochelle Klaskin, Deputy Executive Director/Chief

Administrative Officer

Brandon Brickner, Internal Audit Director (non-voting)

Others Present: Eric Barber, Senior Legal Counsel

Navid Bahadoran, Risk Analytics & Systems Analyst

Sunil Nair, Operational Risk Director

Olu Olubiyi, Information Security & Governance Manager Anand Rakesh, Director of Risk Analytics & Financial

**Engineering Systems** 

Dawn Tuescher, Executive Administrative Assistant

# **Open Session**

Lisa Lange, Co-Chair of the Enterprise Risk and Compliance Committee ("ERCC"), declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

#### 1. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Lange confirmed that there were no questions or comments on the open session minutes of November 9, 2021, which were included in the meeting materials.

<u>Motion</u>: A motion was made by Ms. Chandler and seconded by Mr. Greenfield to approve the open session minutes of November 9, 2021, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 2. Risk Management Division Update

Hassan Chehime, Head of Risk Management, presented the Risk Management Division Update, included on pages 7-13 in the meeting materials. Mr. Chehime introduced Navid Bahadoran and Mark Paloian as new risk analysts. Mr. Chehime gave an update on SWIB's Enterprise Risk Framework. Mr. Chehime then gave an overview of the risk analytics and systems that make up the Enterprise Risk System, noting that FactSet MAC was the primary system.

Sunil Nair, Operational Risk Director, then discussed the team's approach to actively managing operational risk, including determining the optimal operational risk platform Finally, Mr. Nair drew attention to the significant progress with respect to business continuity planning and IT disaster recovery planning.

# 3. Compliance Update

Lisa Lange, Director of Compliance and Senior Legal Counsel, presented the *Compliance Reporting & Updates* for Q4 2021 and Q1 2022, which were included on pages 14-28 in the meeting materials.

# A. Q4 2021

Ms. Lange reported that the fourth quarter of 2021 had more trade requests than the prior corresponding quarter, but was generally in line with recent quarters. There was one personal trading violation in the quarter, deemed minor, and one special approval under the personal trade approvals policy. There were no guideline violations, but two waivers were granted. The Non-Wisconsin Venture Capital portfolio was granted a waiver of the consultant review guideline. Investment and operational due diligence on this matter was conducted by SWIB internal staff, including investment management, legal, and compliance. The Mortgage-Backed Securities portfolio was granted a waiver of out-of-benchmark securities limit, increasing the limit to 30% from 25%, until guidelines were reviewed at the February Investment Committee meeting. Ms. Lange also reported one individual with a late compliance affirmation.

# B. Q1 2022

Ms. Lange noted that first quarter of 2022 saw fewer personal trading requests and approvals than the prior quarter. The lower approvals were due, in part, to significant SWIB trading activity tied to transitions and asset allocation implementation. There were two personal trading violations, both deemed minor. There were two employees with late compliance affirmations. Ms. Lange noted no guideline violations and three waivers granted. In connection with asset allocation changes, the Government/Credit portfolio was granted a waiver allowing shorting of cash bonds in addition to ETFs in connection with allocation changes. Similarly, due to asset allocation adjustments, the High Yield portfolio was granted two waivers to the leverage guideline, increasing the limit to 20% from 10%, while assets were being moved into the portfolio and invested.

Ms. Lange also gave a historical overview of SWIB staff personal trading and answered questions.

In conclusion, Ms. Lange highlighted that each year SWIB staff are required to certify that they are in compliance with the Ethics Policy and make disclosures regarding outside business activities/boards, certain financial interests, or relationships that could result in potential conflicts of interest. Compliance staff reviews all disclosures to ensure the required approvals are in place and there are no conflicts of interest. She noted that twelve staff have been approved for outside business activities that did not relate to their roles at SWIB, with three requests either being denied or withdrawn during 2020-21.

# 4. Convene in Closed Session

Motion: A motion to go into closed session pursuant to section 19.85(1)(d) of the Wisconsin Statutes to consider confidential strategies for crime detection or prevention relating to SWIB's information technology infrastructure and pursuant to sections 19.85(1)(e) and 19.36(5) of the Wisconsin Statutes to consider confidential strategies for the investment of public funds, including the review of proprietary credit counterparty and broker information, was made by Mr. Denson and seconded by Mr. Jacobs.

Ms. Lange called for a roll call vote.

| Chandler-Aye | Chehime-Aye | Denson-Aye  | Greenfield-Aye |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|
| Heimsoth-Aye | Jacobs-Aye  | Klaskin-Aye | Lange-Aye      |

There being eight ayes and no nays, Ms. Lange declared the motion passed. The Committee convened in closed session at 10:28 a.m. and reconvened in open session at 10:57 a.m.

# 5. Announcement of Matters Taken Up in Closed Session

Ms. Lange announced that, while in closed session, the Committee was provided an update on information security and governance and counterparty risk management.

# 6. Future Meeting Topics

No future meeting topics were discussed.

# 7. Adjournment

<u>Motion</u>: A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Chandler and seconded by Ms. Klaskin. The motion passed unanimously, and the ERCC meeting was adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

| Date of C | ommittee Approva | al:            |           |
|-----------|------------------|----------------|-----------|
| a: 1      |                  |                |           |
| Signed:   | G G1 11          | C .            |           |
|           | Sara Chandler,   | •              |           |
|           | Enterprise Risk  | and Compliance | Committee |

# New and Amended Contracts Approved April - June 2022

# **New Contracts:**

# **BNY Mellon**

BNY Mellon is the sole source vendor to provide consulting services to support the planning and implementation of a new operating model on the Eagle Access spoke. The estimated cost for this service is \$68,600.

#### **BNY Mellon**

BNY Mellon is the sole source vendor to provide the services required to upgrade Eagle from its current version 15 to the newest version 17. The estimated cost for these services is \$224,800.

#### Capital Data Inc.

Capital Data Inc. is the State contracted vendor to provide SWIB's new building at Madison Yards with necessary servers, switches, and storage. The cost for this equipment and associated services is \$299,000.

# **Focus Economics**

Focus Economics is the sole source vendor to provide access to their economic data focusing on projections and research opinions for global market. The cost for this proprietary research is \$35,000.

#### **IHS Markit**

IHS Markit is the sole source vendor to provide valuation data for bank loan securities on their platform. The cost for three years of service is \$340,000.

#### ICE Data Indices, LLC

ICE Data Indices, LLC is the sole source vendor to provide historical index data on their platform. The cost for three years of service is \$40,500.

#### **IT-Venture LTD**

IT-Venture LTD is the sole source vendor to provide data strategy and PowerBI consulting services for eFront reporting. The estimated cost for this service is \$146,575.

#### **Lucera Financial Infrastructures**

Lucera Financial Infrastructures is the vendor selected from a competitive bid process to provide online fixed income aggregation services. The annual cost for this service is \$50,000.

# My Data Outlet International, LLC

My Data Outlet International, LLC is the sole source vendor to provide data retrieval functions using SQL stored procedures to access underlying Refinitiv quantitative analytics data. The annual cost for this service is \$122,000.

#### Preyer US Corp.

Preyer US Corp is the sole source vendor to provide analysis and best practice consulting for the SimCorp system. The estimated cost for this service is \$50,000.

#### Refinitiv

Refinitiv is the sole source vendor to provide access to its quantitative analytics production database to allow enhanced functionality for users. The annual cost for this system is \$615,000.

#### Taranis, Inc.

Taranis Inc. is selected from SWIB's competitively bid pool of vendors that provide contract workers with investment industry experience to provide one temporary investment-related resource with expertise relating to workflows, implementation, design, and enhancements within the Charles River platform. The resource will be engaged for six months at a cost of \$145,000.

# **Amended Contracts/Extensions:**

# **Bridge Consulting Partners**

One contract worker extended through 09/30/2022 at a cost of \$160,000.

#### **Sharp Decisions**

One contract worker extended through 09/30/2022 at a cost of \$171,500.

#### **V-Soft Consulting Group**

One contract worker extended through 06/05/2022 at a cost of \$30,000.

Note: the dollar amounts listed above <u>for contract workers</u> represent the estimated total contract costs and may not reflect actual costs incurred. For example, estimated and actual costs may differ due to variances in actual hours worked by the contractor, travel expenses, etc.



August 15, 2022

Senator Howard Marklein, Co-Chair Joint Committee on Finance P.O. Box 7882 Madison WI 53707-7882

Senator Robert Cowles, Co-Chair Joint Legislative Audit Committee P.O. Box 7882 Madison WI 53707-7882 Representative Mark Born, Co-Chair Joint Committee on Finance P.O. Box 8952 Madison WI 53708-8952

Secretary Kathy Blumenfeld Department of Administration 101 East Wilson Street P.O. Box 7864 Madison, WI 53707-7864

Dear Senator Marklein, Senator Cowles, Representative Born, and Secretary Blumenfeld:

State statutes require the State of Wisconsin Investment Board (SWIB) to report all costs and expenses charged to the trust funds under management during the prior quarter as well as the number of full-time equivalent positions created or abolished during the quarter<sup>1</sup>. The information contained in this report is for the quarter ended June 30, 2022.

|   |                   |                   |                   |                   | Frailing 4 Qtr    |            |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|
| Total Cost of Management Summary              | 3Q2021            | 4Q2021            | 1Q2022            | 2Q2022            | Total             | % of Total |
| Internal Operating Expenses                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |            |
| Operating Budget Expenses                     | \$<br>12,882,486  | \$<br>14,225,300  | \$<br>14,062,637  | \$<br>42,801,859  | \$<br>83,972,282  | 61.0%      |
| Custodial, Investment Operations & Banking    | 1,712,812         | 1,752,273         | 1,803,372         | 1,692,456         | 6,960,913         | 5.1%       |
| Legal   | 642,792           | 821,846           | 625,000           | 625,000           | 2,714,638         | 2.0%       |
| Investment Research & Consulting              | <br>10,099,210    | 10,521,546        | 10,007,468        | 9,150,155         | 39,778,379        | 29.0%      |
| Total Internal Operating Expenses             | \$<br>25,337,300  | \$<br>27,320,965  | \$<br>26,498,477  | \$<br>54,269,470  | \$<br>133,426,212 | 97.0%      |
| Securities Lending Agent Expenses             | 706,762           | 784,251           | 1,282,912         | 1,412,138         | 4,186,063         | 3.0%       |
| Total SWIB Operating Costs                    | \$<br>26,044,062  | \$<br>28,105,216  | \$<br>27,781,389  | \$<br>55,681,608  | \$<br>137,612,275 | 100.0%     |
| External Investment Management Fees           |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |            |
| Externally Managed Separate Account Fees      |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |            |
| Beta One & Other - Separately Managed         | \$<br>15,897,862  | \$<br>9,818,853   | \$<br>12,730,351  | \$<br>6,621,385   | 45,068,451        | 6.9%       |
| Supplemental Information - External Fund Fees |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |            |
| Real Estate                                   | \$<br>17,175,742  | \$<br>17,693,091  | \$<br>19,209,516  | \$<br>19,257,344  | 73,335,693        | 11.2%      |
| Private Equity & Venture Capital              | 56,476,982        | 61,375,539        | 56,999,361        | 72,498,709        | 247,350,590       | 37.6%      |
| Hedge Funds                                   | 46,910,532        | 42,415,360        | 72,033,779        | 60,862,749        | 222,222,421       | 33.9%      |
| Beta One & Other - External Funds             | <br>18,697,235    | 4,722,875         | 18,411,505        | 26,091,654        | 67,923,270        | 10.4%      |
| Total External Investment Management Fees     | \$<br>155,158,353 | \$<br>136,025,718 | \$<br>179,384,512 | \$<br>185,331,841 | \$<br>655,900,425 | 100.0%     |
| Total Cost of Management                      | \$<br>181,202,415 | \$<br>164,130,934 | \$<br>207,165,901 | \$<br>241,013,449 | \$<br>793,512,700 |            |

SWIB operating costs are charged to the trust funds under management and externally managed fund fees are netted against the investment returns generated by SWIB's external fund holdings. It is important to consider costs in the context of value-added investment returns. For example, during the five years ended December 31, 2021, after consideration of all expenses, costs, and fees, SWIB

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Wisconsin Statutes Section 25.17 (13m): Investment-related costs and expenses charged to the WRS Trust Funds, State Investment Fund, State Life Insurance Fund, Historical Society Endowment Fund, Injured Patients and Families Compensation Fund and UW Trust Fund. Investment transaction expenses, such as trading commissions and interest expense, are included in investment returns, and therefore not included in this report.

generated more than \$2.2 billion in additional profits beyond what would have been generated by the benchmark portfolio SWIB is measured against. These profits all go directly into the Wisconsin Retirement System for the benefit of its beneficiaries.

Attachment A provides a breakdown of the amount and percentage of assets managed under each type of dedicated and commingled account or partnership, and the change in the amount and percentage from the prior calendar quarter. As of June 30, 2022, SWIB's total authorized positions are 290 as shown in the table below.

| Assets Under Management & Positions |       |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 3/31/2022 6/30/2022                 |       |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Internal Management                 | 50.7% | 48.4% |  |  |  |  |  |
| External Management                 | 49.3% | 51.6% |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total SWIB Positions                | 290   | 290   |  |  |  |  |  |

In addition, Attachment B provides details of the services provided to SWIB and their associated quarterly costs.

As new investment strategies are implemented and markets continue to evolve, SWIB will continue evaluating the most efficient means to manage the trust fund assets. Please contact us if you have any questions or comments about this report.

For definitions of the expense categories presented in the Total Cost of Management Summary table, please refer to Attachment C

Sincerely,

Edwin Denson

Edwin Dens

Executive Director/Chief Investment Officer

Attachments

cc: Members, Joint Committee on Finance

Members, Joint Committee on Audit Robert Lang, Legislative Fiscal Bureau Joe Chrisman, Legislative Audit Bureau

# **Total Assets Under Management**

| Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS)      | 9/30/                | 9/30/2021 |                      | 12/31/2021 |                      | 3/31/2022 |                      | 2022    |
|--|----------------------|-----------|----------------------|------------|----------------------|-----------|----------------------|---------|
| , , ,                                  | Amount (in millions) | Percent   | Amount (in millions) | Percent    | Amount (in millions) | Percent   | Amount (in millions) | Percent |
| Internally Managed                     | \$72,136             | 51.2%     | \$72,165             | 49.0%      | \$64,161             | 45.5%     | \$52,094             | 41.7%   |
| Externally Managed Dedicated Accounts  | 35,978               | 25.5%     | 36,740               | 25.0%      | 36,289               | 25.8%     | 27,907               | 22.4%   |
| Externally Managed Commingled Accounts | 32,809               | 23.3%     | 38,311               | 26.0%      | 40,434               | 28.7%     | 44,852               | 35.9%   |
| Passive Index Funds                    | 2,894                | 2.1%      | 2,857                | 1.9%       | 2,283                | 1.6%      | 1,689                | 1.4%    |
| Limited Partnerships                   | 22,128               | 15.7%     | 26,574               | 18.1%      | 28,548               | 20.3%     | 30,212               | 24.2%   |
| Actively Managed Commingled Accounts   | 7,787                | 5.5%      | 8,881                | 6.0%       | 9,603                | 6.8%      | 12,950               | 10.4%   |
| TOTAL WRS Assets                       | \$140.923            | 100.0%    | \$147.217            | 100.0%     | \$140.884            | 100.0%    | \$124,853            | 100.0%  |

| State Investment Fund - Internally Managed    | \$14,648 | \$16,051 | \$16,930 | \$18,401 |  |
|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|--|
| Separately Managed Funds - Internally Managed | \$123    | \$123    | \$111    | \$101    |  |
| Separately Managed Funds - Externally Managed | \$2,225  | \$2,276  | \$2,095  | \$2,409  |  |

| Total Assets Under Management | \$157,919 |       | \$165,666 |       | \$160,020 |       | \$145,764 |       |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
|                               |           |       |           |       |           |       |           |       |
| Total Internal Management     | \$86,906  | 55.0% | \$88,338  | 53.3% | \$81,202  | 50.7% | \$70,596  | 48.4% |
| Total External Management     | \$71,012  | 45.0% | \$77,328  | 46.7% | \$78,818  | 49.3% | \$75,168  | 51.6% |

# STATE OF WISCONSIN INVESTMENT BOARD Expenses for All Funds Under Management Quarter Ending June 30, 2022

| EXPENSE CATEGORY <sup>1</sup>                                    | SERVICE PROVIDED   | E  | EXPENSES                |
|--|--|----|-------------------------|
| Internal Operating Expenses Staff Compensation                   | Staff Compensation   | \$ | 35,222,915              |
| Fringe Benefits  | Fringe Benefits  |    | 5,633,291               |
| Equipment, Supplies & Services                                   | General Supplies & Services  | _  | 1,945,653               |
| Total Internal Operating Expenses                                |  | \$ | 42,801,859              |
| Custodial, Investment Operations and Banking Fees                |  |    |                         |
| BNY Mellon Asset Servicing - Custody                             | Master Custody Services  | \$ | 308,898                 |
| BNY Mellon Asset Servicing - Investment Operations               | Investment Operating Services  |    | 1,378,501               |
| Markit NA  | Investment Data Management Software  |    | 5,019                   |
| US Bank  Total Custodial, Investment Operations and Banking Fees | Banking Fees   | \$ | 38<br>1, <b>692,456</b> |
| Total Gustodial, investment operations and Bunking 1 005         |  | •  | 1,002,400               |
| <u>Legal Fees</u>  |  |    |                         |
| Chapman & Cutler LLP   | Legal Work for Investment Strategies                                       | \$ | 15,000                  |
| Cox Castle & Nicholson LLP                                       | Legal Work for Investment Strategies                                       |    | 3,354                   |
| DLA Piper LLP (US)   | Legal Work for Investment Strategies Legal Work for Investment Strategies  |    | 100,211<br>1,704        |
| Godfrey & Kahn SC<br>Husch Blackwell                             | Legal Work for Investment Strategies  Legal Work for Investment Strategies |    | 1,704<br>2,438          |
| Latham & Watkins LLP   | Legal Work for Investment Strategies                                       |    | 25,823                  |
| Legal Services Expense Accrual                                   | Legal Work for Investment Strategies                                       |    | 506,219                 |
| Purrington Moody Weill LLP                                       | Legal Work for Investment Strategies                                       |    | 68,503                  |
| Quarles & Brady  | Legal Work for Investment Strategies                                       |    | 74,040                  |
| Shearman & Sterling LLP  | Legal Work for Investment Strategies                                       |    | 161,099                 |
| Vedder Price PC  | Legal Work for Investment Strategies                                       |    | 11,875                  |
| Legal Services Expense Accrual Reversal                          | Legal Work for Investment Strategies                                       |    | (345,265)               |
| Total Legal Fees   |  | \$ | 625,000                 |
| Investment Counsel   |  |    |                         |
| ABG Sundal Collier Inc   | Investment Research  | \$ | 750                     |
| Adeptyx Consulting   | Investment Consulting Services   | Ψ  | 28,116                  |
| Aksia LLC  | Hedge Fund Investment Consulting   |    | 193,750                 |
| Alembic Global Advisors  | Market Research  |    | 3,000                   |
| Alex Solutions   | Research and Data Services   |    | 39,750                  |
| Aon Hewitt Investment Consulting Inc                             | Investment and Risk Management Research                                    |    | 15,000                  |
| Apex Systems   | Investment Consulting  |    | 50,289                  |
| Arthur Selender  | Investment Consulting  |    | 2,000                   |
| B Riley FBR Inc  | Investment Research  |    | 5,000                   |
| Backstop Solutions Group   | Investment Software  |    | 12,400                  |
| Bank of America Merrill Lynch                                    | Investment Research Investment Research                                    |    | 93,950<br>3,100         |
| Barrington Research Associates Inc BCA Research Inc              | Global & Domestic Fixed Income Strategy Research                           |    | 33,458                  |
| Berenberg  | Investment Research  |    | 48,350                  |
| Blackrock Financial Management Inc                               | Risk Services  |    | 75,000                  |
| Bloomberg Finance LP   | Market, Company, Industry & Benchmark Information                          |    | 994,409                 |
| BMO Capital Markets Corp□  | Investment Research Services   |    | 22,050                  |
| BNY Mellon Asset Servicing - Custody                             | Master Custody Services  |    | 48,000                  |
| BNY Mellon Asset Servicing - Eagle/Pace                          | Investment Consulting Services   |    | 188,360                 |
| Bridge Consulting Partners Ltd                                   | Investment Consulting  |    | 84,480                  |
| Broad Street Consulting Group                                    | Recruitment Consulting   |    | 19,500                  |
| BTIG, LLC  | Investment Research  |    | 1,000                   |
| Canaccord Genuity  | Investment Research<br>Investment Research                                 |    | 5,250<br>500            |
| Carnegie Inc CBJL Incorporated                                   | Investment Research Investment Consulting                                  |    | 95,940                  |
| CBOE Global Markets, Inc.  | Research and Data Services   |    | 1,500                   |
| CFRA Research  | Investment Research Services   |    | 17,325                  |
| Charles River System Inc   | Portfolio Management Trading Software & Services                           |    | 357,082                 |
| CIBC World Markets Inc   | Investment Research  |    | 4,750                   |
| CL King & Associates   | Investment Research  |    | 5,500                   |
| Codrington Japan   | Investment Research  |    | 1,000                   |
|  |  |    |                         |

| EXPENSE CATEGORY <sup>1</sup>                                 | SERVICE PROVIDED  | EXPENSES          |
|---|---|-------------------|
| Colliers Securities LLC                                       | Investment Research   | 1,500             |
| Compass Point Research & Trading, LLC                         | Investment Research   | 500               |
| Consensus Economics Inc                                       | Investment Research Services                                      | 34,800            |
| Copp Clark  | Research and Data Services  | 3,713             |
| CoStar Portfolio Strategy                                     | Real Estate Consulting & Research Services                        | 28,738            |
| Cowen and Company LLC   | Research and Data Services  | 33,100            |
| Craig-Hallum Capital Group                                    | Investment Research   | 5,200             |
| Crane Data LLC Cross Current Research LLC                     | Research and Data Services Healthcare Sector Research             | 3,000<br>5,000    |
| CUSIP Global Services   | Research and Data Services  | 10,833            |
| DA Davidson & Co  | Investment Research   | 20,200            |
| Dacheng Xiu   | Investment Research   | 37,500            |
| Daiwa Capital Markets America                                 | Investment Research   | 9,100             |
| Datacamp Inc  | Research and Data Services  | 4,587             |
| Davy Securities Limited                                       | Investment Research   | 4,750             |
| Deutsche Bank   | Tax registration fees   | 57,395            |
| DNB Bank ASA  | Investment Research   | 10,000            |
| Dow Jones News Service  | Company and Industry News Services                                | 924               |
| DTCC - EPN  | Trade Settlement Service  | 3,001             |
| DTCC ITP LLC EFront Financial Solutions Inc                   | Trade Settlement Service  | 3,366             |
| Elevation LLC   | Private Markets Portfolio Management Services Research and Data   | 154,390<br>10,000 |
| Empirical Research Partners LLC                               | Investment Research   | 137,500           |
| Ernst & Young LLP   | Tax Compliance Services & Investment Consulting                   | 19,000            |
| Euromonitor International                                     | Research and Data Services  | 19,482            |
| Evercore Group LLC  | Investment Research   | 72,350            |
| Exane Inc   | Investment Research   | 64,935            |
| FactSet Research Systems Inc                                  | Financial & Economic Database                                     | 969,680           |
| FBN Securities, Inc.  | Investment Research   | 5,000             |
| FIS Data Systems Inc.   | Research and Data Services  | 21,230            |
| Fitch Solutions Inc   | Credit Rating Services  | 17,500            |
| FocusEconomics S.L.U  | Investment Consulting   | 34,980            |
| Furey Research Partners LLC                                   | Small Cap Research  | 11,000            |
| Gallagher Gartner Inc   | Insurance and Risk Management Services Technology Sector Research | 15,533<br>29,285  |
| Global Peer Financing Association                             | Investment Consulting   | 1,000             |
| Goodbody  | Investment Research   | 6,750             |
| Grandview Analytics LLC                                       | Investment Information Technology Consulting Services             | 48,462            |
| Green Street Advisor  | Real Estate Analytics   | 16,937            |
| Guggenheim Securities LLC                                     | Investment Research   | 17,050            |
| Hammerstone Markets Inc                                       | Investment Research   | 300               |
| Haver Analytics   | Global Macroeconomic Research                                     | 22,700            |
| HSBC Securities (USA) Inc.                                    | Investment Research   | 2,250             |
| Ice Data LP   | Fixed Income Indices  | 28,035            |
| Informa Business Intelligence Inc (Sagient Research Systems)  | Investment Research   | 5,250             |
| Institutional Investor Institutional Shareholder Services Inc | Investment Data and Research Services                             | 19,500            |
| Intelligent Automation Consulting                             | Proxy Voting Analysis Automation Consulting Services              | 41,914<br>7,050   |
| Investec Securities (US) LLC                                  | Investment Research   | 5,000             |
| IT-Venture LTD  | Investment Consulting   | 127,600           |
| Janney Montgomery Scott                                       | Investment Research   | 2,000             |
| Jefferies Research Services LLC                               | Investment Research   | 73,150            |
| Keefe Bruyette & Woods (KBW)                                  | Investment Research   | 31,250            |
| Kepler Capital Markets Inc                                    | Investment Research Services                                      | 4,400             |
| KeyBanc Capital Markets Inc                                   | Investment Research   | 25,000            |
| Keystone Consulting Inc                                       | Investment Information Technology Consulting Services             | 281,075           |
| KPMG Limited  | Tax Representation Services                                       | 9,778             |
| Kreischer Miller LLP Kreil Band Bating Agency, Inc. (KRBA)    | Investment Research and Data Services                             | (29,800)          |
| Kroll Bond Rating Agency, Inc. (KBRA)                         | Investment Research and Data Services Investment Research         | 15,000<br>16,000  |
| Liberum Capital Inc<br>Longbow Securities LLC                 | Investment Research   | 1,500             |
| Loop Capital Financial Consulting Services                    | Valuation Consulting Services                                     | 2,300             |
| Mackey LLC  | Research Management System  | 52,079            |
| Macquarie Capital (USA) Inc                                   | Investment Research   | 22,850            |
| Markit Group Limited  | Investment Consulting   | 1,250             |
| Markit NA   | Investment Data Management Software                               | 20,167            |
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| EXPENSE CATEGORY <sup>1</sup>                                 | SERVICE PROVIDED                                      | EXPENSES           |
|---|---|--------------------|
| Markit-EDM Limited  | Investment Consulting                                 | 187,884            |
| Matrix IDM, LLC   | Investment Consulting                                 | 28,000             |
| McLagan Partners Inc  | Investment Compensation Data and Analysis             | 46,813             |
| Meketa Investment Group                                       | Public Markets External Manager Consultant            | 66,930             |
| MKM Partners  | Investment Research Services                          | 8,250              |
| MNI Market News   | Research and Data Services                            | 2,835              |
| Money-Media Inc   | Research and Data Services                            | 5,030              |
| Moodys Analytics  | Economic, Currency & Bond Analysis                    | 80,237             |
| Morningstar Inc   | Industrial Sector Market Research & Analysis          | 12,500             |
| MSCI - Barra  | Research and Data Services                            | 46,350             |
| MSCI Inc - Risk Metrics Solutions                             | Research and Data Services                            | 340,245            |
| MSCI, Inc   | Research and Data Services                            | 27,807             |
| MUFG Securities America                                       | Investment Research Research and Data Services        | 10,500             |
| My Data Outlet International, LLC National Bank Financial Inc | Investment Research                                   | 23,833<br>3,200    |
| Needham & Company LLC   | Investment Research                                   | 15,000             |
| Nephron Research LLC  | Investment Research                                   | 2,500              |
| New Street Research LLC                                       | Investment Research                                   | 25,000             |
| Northland Securities  | Investment Research                                   | 3,000              |
| Novus Partners Inc  | Profit & Loss Analytics System                        | 18,885             |
| Nuware Technology Corp  | Investment Information Technology Consulting Services | 196,126            |
| NYSE Market Inc   | New York Stock Exchange Data                          | 6,098              |
| Oliver James  | Investment Consulting                                 | 86,280             |
| Oppenheimer & Co Inc  | Investment Research                                   | 7,500              |
| Options Price Reporting Authority                             | Quote System for Options Market                       | 2,394              |
| Pac-invest  | Research and Data Services                            | 12,276             |
| Phil Erlanger Research Co Inc                                 | Investment Research                                   | 4,000              |
| Piper Sandler & Co  | Investment Research                                   | 51,300             |
| PremiaLab   | Investment Research                                   | 12,451             |
| Preyer  | Investment Consulting                                 | 16,667             |
| Raymond James   | Research and Data Services                            | 17,200             |
| Redburn Europe Limited RedLine Associates, Inc                | Investment Research Recruitment Consulting            | 19,650<br>34,000   |
| Refinitiv   | Research Pricing (Autex, Baseline, FirstCall)         | 94,845             |
| Renaissance Macro Research                                    | Macro Economic Research                               | 29,500             |
| Robert W. Baird & Co.   | Investment Research                                   | 56,350             |
| Rosenblatt Securities Inc                                     | Investment Research                                   | 13,600             |
| Roth Capital Partners   | Investment Research                                   | 3,600              |
| Russell Investment Group                                      | Index Data  | 8,932              |
| Rystad Energy AS  | Investment Research                                   | 22,500             |
| S&P Global Market Intelligence                                | Industry & Corporate Research                         | 122,523            |
| SailPoint Technologies, Inc.                                  | Information Security Software                         | 18,750             |
| Sanford C Bernstein & Co LLC                                  | Investment Research                                   | 86,355             |
| Santander Investment Securities Inc                           | Investment Research                                   | 12,900             |
| Seaport Global Securities LLC                                 | Research and Data Services                            | 19,630             |
| SEB Securities Inc  | Investment Research                                   | 5,500              |
| Sharp Decisions Inc   | Investment Information Technology Consulting Services | 86,772             |
| Sidoti & Company LLC  | Investment Research                                   | 7,750              |
| Simcorp USA, Inc. SMBC Nikko Securities America Inc           | Investment System Investment Research                 | 1,537,646<br>8,000 |
| Snowflake Inc   | Research and Data Services                            | 25,000             |
| Solve Advisors Inc  | Investment Research                                   | 9,000              |
| SPACInsider   | Research and Data                                     | 2,999              |
| State Street  | Investment Consulting                                 | 20,000             |
| Stephens Inc  | Investment Research                                   | 19,760             |
| StepStone Group   | Private Equity Consulting Services                    | 218,986            |
| StepStone Group Real Estate                                   | Real Estate Consulting Services                       | 57,883             |
| Stifel Nicolaus & Company Incorporated                        | Investment Research                                   | 40,300             |
| Stuart Frankel & Co., Inc                                     | Investment Research                                   | 9,000              |
| Susquehanna Financial Group LLP                               | Investment Research                                   | 1,500              |
| SVB Leerink   | Research and Data Services                            | 9,000              |
| SWIFT SC  | Research and Data Services                            | 892                |
| SystemsAccountants  | Investment Information Technology Consulting Services | 78,080             |
| Taranis, Inc.   | Investment Information Technology Consulting Services | 32,340             |
| TD Securities (USA) LLC                                       | Investment Research                                   | 4,500              |
| Telsey Advisory Group   | Consumer Sector Research                              | 31,250             |

| EXPENSE CATEGORY <sup>1</sup>        | SERVICE PROVIDED                                      | E  | XPENSES    |
|--------------------------------------|---|----|------------|
| The Benchmark Company LLC            | Investment Research                                   |    | 4,000      |
| The Financial Times Limited          | Investment Research                                   |    | 6,459      |
| The Leuthold Group LLC               | Broad Based Market Research                           |    | 10,000     |
| The Nasdaq Stock Market, LLC         | Research & Data Services                              |    | 4,500      |
| Toronto Stock Exchange               | Market Data   |    | 14,226     |
| TradeWeb                             | On-Line Fixed Income Trading Services                 |    | 9,534      |
| Trahan Macro Research LLC            | Research and Data Services                            |    | 2,000      |
| Trivariate Research LP               | Investment Research                                   |    | 15,000     |
| Truist Securities, Inc.              | Investment Research                                   |    | 9,120      |
| Tudor Pickering Holt & Co            | Investment Research                                   |    | 7,900      |
| Unit4 Business Software Inc          | Financial & Administration Services System            |    | 69,827     |
| Urban Land Institute                 | Investment Consulting Services                        |    | 1,150      |
| Vadim Moroz                          | Investment Consulting                                 |    | 53,100     |
| Investment Research Accrual Reversal | Investment Research                                   |    | (850,000)  |
| Vertical Research Partners           | Industrial Sector Market Research & Analysis          |    | 10,375     |
| Verus Advisory Inc                   | Benchmarking Consulting Services                      |    | 42,000     |
| Virtu ITG Analytics LLC              | Trading Transaction Cost Analysis                     |    | 20,500     |
| Visible Alpha LLC                    | Research and Data Services                            |    | 32,957     |
| V-Soft Consulting Group Inc          | Investment Information Technology Consulting Services |    | 50,400     |
| WallachBeth Capital LLC              | Investment Consulting Services                        |    | 3,000      |
| Washington Speakers Bureau           | Investment Consulting Services                        |    | 10,000     |
| Wedbush                              | Investment Research                                   |    | 11,500     |
| WestPark Capital, Inc.               | Investment Research                                   |    | 1,000      |
| William Blair & Company LLC          | Investment Research                                   |    | 11,000     |
| With Intelligence LLC                | Investment Data and Research                          |    | 4,500      |
| Wolfe Trahan                         | Transportation and Macro Economic Research            |    | 47,585     |
| Wolters Kluwer Law & Business        | GDP Forecasting Services                              |    | 11,535     |
| Wolverine Execution Services LLC     | Options Trading Platform                              |    | 1,367      |
| WorldBridge Partners Inc             | Recruitment Consulting                                |    | 210,310    |
| Worth Charting LLC                   | Investment Consulting                                 |    | 6,500      |
| Yipit, LLC                           | Research and Data Services                            |    | 15,000     |
| Total Investment Counsel             |   | \$ | 9,150,155  |
| Securities Lending Agent Fees        |   |    |            |
| BNY Mellon Asset Servicing           | Securities Lending Agent Fees                         | \$ | 1,412,138  |
| Total Securities Lending Agent Fees  |   | \$ | 1,412,138  |
| Total Quarterly Charges to Funds     |   | \$ | 55,681,608 |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>All costs reported are on an accrual basis except for internal operating costs which are on a cash basis of accounting. Negative expense amounts are due to accrual adjustments and/or other miscellaneous adjustments.

# **Explanation of Expenses**

#### **Internal Operating Expenses**

Internal operating expenses consist primarily of staff compensation and fringe benefits. SWIB employs a staff of professional investment and support staff to manage the trust fund assets. Other internal operating expenses consist of office equipment, supplies, business travel, information technology equipment and services, and general services.

#### **Custodial & Banking Fees**

Wisconsin Certificate of Deposit Program: Under a contract with SWIB, Bankers' Bank administers the program under which the State Investment Fund (SIF) purchases certificates of deposit from Wisconsin-based banks and thrifts. Most administrative costs are paid by the participating banks. SWIB's expenses help underwrite other administrative costs, such as insurance that SWIB requires to be purchased.

BNY Mellon: Provides master custodial and administrative services (safekeeping of assets, income collection, valuations and accounting) for public and private domestic and foreign securities in the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS), the SIF, and the other separately managed trust funds. In addition, SWIB receives performance measurement and analytical services through its contract with BNY Mellon, which serves as the official book of record for SWIB's accounting and performance measurement functions. BNY Mellon provides data and analytical tools used by SWIB for compliance and risk management. These include global collateral management, data management, and hosting services. Fees for these services are established by contract.

US Bank: The State of Wisconsin contracted with US Bank to be the state's working bank. The fees paid to US Bank by the SIF reflect bank service charges that are not directly applicable to the fund participants.

#### Legal Fees, Services, and Expenses

Under authority delegated by the Attorney General, pursuant to s. 25.18 (1) (a) Statutes, SWIB may employ legal counsel for any matters arising out of the scope of its investment authority. This includes legal services relating to bankruptcies, class actions, private markets transactions, fiduciary advice, securities law, investment litigation, and other similar matters.

# **Investment Counsel**

Current law gives SWIB the authority to employ investment counsel in any matters arising out of the scope of its investment authority. Investment research and services provided include global market, industry, economic and company information, financial and performance analytics, news information, pricing and exchange data, credit ratings, financial modeling, economic forecasting, trading services, and a variety of Board consultations. These services enable SWIB to perform due diligence on current and future holdings and assist in monitoring investments.

# **Securities Lending Agent Fees**

Securities lending programs generally earn income through the reinvestment of cash collateral posted by borrowers and through the collection of fees for loans where non-cash collateral is posted. SWIB's securities lending income is shared with the agent to pay the costs associated with the administration of the program. Securities lending agent fees are reported as expenses.

#### **Externally Managed Separate Account Fees**

External asset managers have been delegated authority within guidelines established by SWIB to determine investment strategy and purchase securities in SWIB's name within a SWIB account. Fees are typically assessed as a percentage of the market value of assets under management and in some cases, fees are based on investment performance.

### **External Funds Fees**

SWIB invests in separate legal entities managed by external investment managers to gain exposure to select strategies including Public Markets, Private Equity, Venture Capital, Real Estate and Hedge Funds. In exchange for their investment management services, the external managers charge a fee within the entity they manage. Fees are typically assessed as a percentage of the market value of assets under management, commitments, and in some cases are based on investment performance. While the fees charged to these external vehicles do not meet the statutory definition of a cost or expense to SWIB, they are currently included in SWIB's total cost of management. Accordingly, these fees are reported as supplemental information.

# **Private Equity Commitments\***

| Investment                                | Commitment (millions) |
|---|-----------------------|
| Ares Special Opportunities Fund II        | \$50.0                |
| Blackstone Tactical Opportunities Fund IV | \$100.0               |
| Centerbridge Seaport Acquisition Fund LP  | \$40.0                |
| EQT IX                                    | €150.0                |
| Glendon Opportunities Fund III            | \$100.0               |
| Hg Genesis 10                             | €65.0                 |
| Sterling Foundation Fund I                | \$50.0                |
| Varsity Healthcare Partners IV            | \$50.0                |
| Water Street Partners V                   | \$37.0                |



<sup>\*</sup>Includes Current Return Portfolio and Co-Investments.

# Private Equity Commitments\*

| Investment                           | Commitment (millions) |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Information Technology Co-Investment | \$21.0                |
| Information Technology Co-Investment | \$7.6                 |
| Healthcare Co-Investment             | \$29.8                |
| Financials Co-Investment             | \$30.0                |
| Information Technology Co-Investment | \$16.5                |



# Private Debt Investments/Commitments

| Investment              | Investment/Commitment |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Asset Manager (credit)  | \$13,000,000          |
| Real Estate (entity HQ) | \$25,000,000          |
| Total                   | \$38,000,000          |



# Real Estate Commitments

| Investment                                   | Commitment (millions) |
|--|-----------------------|
| RREEF Core Plus Industrial Fund, LP          | \$150                 |
| Realterm Airport Logistics Properties, LP    | \$26                  |
| Wilson HCF Wisconsin Holdings 8,LLC          | \$25                  |
| Blackstone Real Estate Partners X, LP        | \$300                 |
| Gateway Real Estate Fund VII, LP             | \$50                  |
| Gateway VII Co-Investment Account (SWIB), LP | \$50                  |
| AG Asia Realty Fund V, LP                    | \$50                  |
| Rockwood Multifamily Partners, L.P.          | \$100                 |
| Total  | \$751                 |



# Funds Alpha Commitments\*

| Investment              | Commitment (millions) |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Elliott                 | \$67                  |
| Silver Point            | \$19                  |
| NHC - Periscope         | \$100                 |
| Four World              | \$25                  |
| Avidity                 | \$40                  |
| DK Income Fund          | \$10                  |
| LibreMax SOP I          | \$4                   |
| Brevan Howard Co Invest | \$34                  |
| LibreMax CLO            | \$14                  |
| Eaton Vance             | \$310                 |
| MW Tops Americas        | \$1,000               |
| Prudential              | \$420                 |
| GS China                | \$294                 |
| GS EM ex China CTF      | \$1,219               |
| GS EM ex China VTF      | \$178                 |
| BLK EM Ex China         | \$1,196               |
| BLK China               | \$239                 |
| Clocktower              | \$200                 |
| Total                   | \$5,369               |

<sup>\*</sup>Includes Hedge Funds and Beta One



# **Board Meeting**

Tab 10 - Future Items for Discussion

# 2022 Board Meeting and Agenda Plan

# March 2022 (TUESDAY)

#### **Committees:**

#### SPCG:

# **Open Session**

- Real Estate Strategy Report and Market Outlook
- Project Centum Update
- Recruiting Update
- Corporate Governance Program Update
- Investment Forum Preview

#### **Executive Closed Session:**

• ED/CIO Goals Review

#### Compensation:

# Open Session:

- Charter Review
- Strategic Results Scorecard Approval
- Incentive Compensation Program Review
- Incentive Compensation Award Recommendations

#### **Executive Closed Session:**

- Incentive Compensation Award Recommendations for Specific Individuals
- ED/CIO Evaluation and Compensation

#### Audit & Finance:

#### Open Session:

- Charter Review
- Open Audit Issues Report
- Approval of Draft Audit Reports
- Audit Plan Status
- 2022 Internal Audit Goals
- Quarterly Cost Update (Q4)
- Administrative Reports

# (WEDNESDAY)

#### **Board Meeting:**

#### Open Session:

- Committee Reports
  - Incentive Compensation Award Recommendations
- Election of Secretary and Assistant Secretary
- Annual Committee Assignments
- Proposed Meeting Dates for Next Year
- Q4 Performance Report
- Q4 Callan Peer Report
- Q4 Investment Update
- Investment Committee Open Session Business
- Q4 PMFA Commitments
- Q4 New Contracts
- Q4 Direct Charges to Funds

#### Closed Session:

- Investment Committee Closed Session Business
- Risk Management Update

#### **Executive Closed Session:**

 Incentive Compensation Award Recommendations for Specific Individuals

# June 2022 (TUESDAY)

#### **Committees:**

#### SPCG:

# Open Session:

- Hedge Fund Strategy Report and Market Outlook
- Project Centum Update

# **Executive Closed Session:**

- Project Centum Update
- ED/CIO Goals Review
- Consultant RFP Interviews

#### Audit & Finance:

#### Open Session:

- Open Audit Issues Report
- Approval of Draft Audit Reports
- Affirmations and Disclosures
- Audit Plan Status
- Five-Year Audit Summary
- Quarterly Cost Update (Q1)
- Total Cost of Management Update (FY)
- Administrative Reports

# **Executive Closed Session:**

• LAB Review of Statements of Economic Interest (generally, no presentation)

# **Compensation:**

### Open Session:

- Charter Review
- Recruiting Update

#### **INVESTMENT FORUM**

# (WEDNESDAY)

#### **Board:**

# Open Session:

- Committee Reports
- Risk Management Update
- Q1 Performance Report
- Q1 Callan Peer Report
- Q1 Investment Update
- Investment Committee Open Session Business
- Q1 PMFA Commitments
- Q1 New Contracts
- Q1 Direct Charges to Funds

#### Closed Session:

- Investment Committee Closed Session Business
- Risk Management Update

# **INVESTMENT FORUM**

# September 2022 (TUESDAY)

#### **Committees:**

#### SPCG:

# Open Session:

- Private Equity Strategy Report and Market Outlook
- Project Centum Update
- Corporate Governance 2022 Proxy Voting Review, ISS Update and ESG Trends
- Trustee Manual Review/Policies Updates
- October Workshop Preview

#### **Closed Session:**

- Project Centum Update
- Annual Consultant Reporting

#### **Executive Closed Session:**

ED/CIO Goals Review

#### Audit & Finance:

#### Open Session:

- Approve WRS Audited Financial Statements
- Open Audit Issues Report
- Approval of Draft Audit Reports
- Audit Plan Status
- 2023 Audit Plan Preview
- Quarterly Cost Update (Q2)
- Administrative Reports

#### **Closed Session:**

 Security Management, IT and Data Management Update

# **Compensation and Workforce Development:**

#### Open Session:

- Recruiting Metrics
- Compensation Plans

# (WEDNESDAY)

#### **Committees:**

#### Benchmark:

#### Open Session:

• Annual Benchmark Preview

# **Board Meeting:**

# Open Session:

- Committee Reports
- Investment Forum Recap
- Fiduciary Training
- Public Records Training
- Q2 Performance Report
- Q2 Callan Peer Report
- Q2 Investment Update
- Investment Committee Open Session Business
- Q2 PMFA Commitments
- Q2 New Contracts
- Q2 Direct Charges to Funds

#### **Closed Session:**

- Investment Committee Closed Session Business
- Risk Management Update

# **Executive Closed Session:**

 Board Self Evaluation with Governance Consultant

# October 2022 (TUESDAY) BOARD WORKSHOP

Outside Speakers
Asset Allocation Review with Actuaries

# (WEDNESDAY) BOARD WORKSHOP

Outside Speakers
Asset Allocation Review with Actuaries

# **December 2022 (TUESDAY)**

#### **Committees:**

#### SPCG:

#### **Open Session:**

- Beta One Strategy Report and Market Outlook
- Charter Review
- Project Centum Update

#### **Executive Closed Session:**

ED/CIO Goals Review

#### Audit & Finance:

#### Open Session:

- Approve SIF Audited Financial Statements
- Open Audit Issues Report
- · Approval of Draft Audit Reports
- Audit Plan Status
- Strategic Plan Review
- Proposed 2023 Audit Plan
- CY23 Total Cost of Management (Budget and Position Request)
- Quarterly Cost Update (Q3)
- Five Year Forecast
- Administrative Reports

#### **Executive Closed Session:**

- LAB Review of Statements of Economic Interest (generally, no presentation)
- Evaluation of Internal Audit Director
- Internal Audit Director Salary Recommendation

#### **Benchmark and Performance:**

#### Open Session:

- · Charter, Policies and Philosophy Review
- Benchmark Consultant Report

# **Compensation and Workforce Development:**

#### **Open Session:**

- Compensation Philosophy Review
- Compensation Consultant
- Scoring of Strategic Results Scorecard / Review Division Scorecards
- Incentive Compensation Plan Changes for Next Performance Year
- Incentive Compensation Projections
- People Metrics
- Recruiting Metrics

#### **Executive Closed Session:**

Succession Planning

# (WEDNESDAY)

# **Board Meeting:**

#### Open Session:

- Committee Reports
- Q3 Performance Report
- Q3 Callan Peer Report (Callan onsite)
- Cost Benchmarking Report
- Asset Allocation Recommendation
- Q3 Investment Update
- Investment Committee Open Session Business
- Q3 PMFA Commitments
- Q3 New Contracts
- Q3 Direct Charges to Funds

#### **Closed Session:**

- Asset Allocation Implementation
- Investment Committee Closed Session Business
- Risk Management Update
- Annual review of expected tail loss analysis

#### **Executive Closed Session:**

Internal Audit Director Salary