

# FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT OF THE REGULAR OPEN SESSION

Tuesday, January 7, 2020 – 1:30 p.m. Laguna Woods Village Community Center Board Room, 24351 El Toro Road

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jon Pearlstone – Chair, Steve Parsons, Annie McCary, Lynn Jarrett,

John Frankel, Cush Bhada, Robert Mutchnick, Ralph Engdahl, Craig

Wayne, Advisor: Wei-Ming Tao

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Reza Karimi, Advisor: John Hess

**STAFF PRESENT:** Betty Parker, Steve Hormuth, Christopher Swanson

#### Call to Order

Director Jon Pearlstone, Treasurer, chaired the meeting and called it to order at 1:32 p.m.

## **Approval of Meeting Agenda**

A motion was made and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

## Approval of Meeting Report for December 3, 2019

A motion was made and carried unanimously to approve the committee report as presented.

#### **Department Head Update**

Betty Parker, Chief Financial Officer, provided updates on the 2020 Budget, Insurance and Investments. Director Pearlstone requested that the Request for Proposal for a property appraisal include an actuarial analysis of recommended insurance coverage. Advisor Tao requested additional information on the impact of the 8.5% Funding Rehabilitation Plan for Union retirement.

#### **Preliminary Financial Statements dated November 30, 2019**

The committee reviewed financials and questions were addressed. The committee requested a more detailed compensation variance report at the next finance committee meeting.

## **Investment Update**

A handout was provided from SageView regarding the targeted allocations of investments between seven different funds. Semi-annual portfolio reviews will be scheduled.

### **Transfer of Funds to Discretionary Investments**

The committee reviewed a staff report regarding the transfer of funds to discretionary investments, representing cash that is not needed for near-term operations.

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Director Bhada made a motion and was seconded by Director Mutchnick to transfer \$10,000,000 to the discretionary investment account held by Fidelity Investments. Discussion ensued.

Director Parsons made a motion and was seconded by Director Bhada to amend the original motion from \$10,000,000 to \$8,000,000, consistent with staff's recommendation. Discussion ensued and both the amendment and the motion passed unanimously.

Staff was directed to follow up with mid-year cash projections based to determine if any further funds are available for the discretionary account.

#### **Committee Member Comments**

Director Pearlstone encouraged committee member participation and discussion.

Advisor Tao provided compliments about the continuous improvements in financial reporting.

# **Future Agenda Items**

Chargeable Services Report – Q4 (February) Overtime/Temp Help/ Turnover – Q4 (February) Solar System Update – Q4 (February)

## **Date of Next Meeting**

Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

## **Recess to Closed Session**

The meeting recessed at 2:37 p.m.

Jon Pearlstone, Chair