

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF COMMITTEE #2
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
TAMPA FIREFIGHTERS & POLICE OFFICERS PENSION BOARD
3001 North Boulevard
Tampa, FL 33603 (813) 274-8550
Wednesday, January 10, 2007 1:00 p.m.**

Committee #2 of the Board of Trustees of the City Pension Fund for Firefighters and Police Officers in the City of Tampa met in the Pension Office Conference Room on Wednesday, January 10, 2007 at 1:10 p.m. [meeting began late] to discuss considering providing standing time slots at the end of each pension meeting to the following four groups to address issues that have arisen during the regular agenda and meeting that day: both unions and both retiree associations, with the following members present:

Tracy Walker, Chair
Patrick Lynch
Sharon Fox

Also in attendance were Mr. S. Sinardi, Mr. L. Vincent, Mr. K. Durkin, and Board Counsel R. Cohen participated telephonically.

Mr. Walker advised that the purpose of today's meeting was to consider the request to provide standing time slots at the end of each pension meeting to the following four groups to address issues that have arisen during the regular agenda and meeting that day: both unions and both retiree associations.

A legal opinion prepared by Board Counsel Cohen dated 1/10/2007 addressing freedom of speech issues and First and Fourteenth Amendment issues was distributed to the committee and other persons present. Mr. Cohen reviewed his legal research and legal opinion on this matter and responded to questions from committee members.

There was discussion regarding the pros and cons of granting such a request. Multiple variations were considered such as providing equal time to all persons requesting time to address the board, setting a time limit to be equally divided between all persons requesting to address the board, setting a total maximum time limit for public comments, and considering a trial period of 90 days, 6 months or 1 year.

[Mr. Durkin entered the meeting at 1:25 p.m.]

There was discussion regarding the existing policies and procedures on agendas and appearances before the board and the potential for abuse if amendments are made.

After considerable discussion, it was agreed by consensus that committee #2 unanimously recommend to the board at the next regularly scheduled board meeting that: 1) a public comments section be added to the agenda after the standing plan administration agenda item only for items

discussed or acted upon that day's meeting agenda; 2) that public comments be limited to two (2) minutes per person; 3) that public comments be limited to a total of twenty (20) minutes regardless of the number of public comment requests; 4) that persons requesting to speak under public comments sign up during the meeting on a speaker card or form to be developed; 5) that vendors wishing to do business with the pension fund be excluded from this public comment portion; 6) that board counsel and plan administrator draft a policy amendment for the board's consideration to accomplish this for adoption prior to implementation; 7) that this public comments portion is separate and apart from the existing agenda appearance policy requirement, which would remain in place; and 7) a sunset date of one year be placed on the policy.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Notice

Any person who desires to appeal any decision of the Board of Trustees with respect to any matter considered at this Board meeting will need a record of the proceedings and for this purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

January 25, 2007 board meeting: It was moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Lynch and by unanimous vote to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2007 Committee #2 minutes as written.