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Regional School District 13
Board of Education

Finance Committee Minutes
April 7, 2009
Conference Room – Superintendent's Office

Present: Ron Melnik, Mary Jane Parsons, Merrill Adams, Joe Ochterski, Kerri Flanagan,
Deb Golschneider

Also: Thomas Forma and Gayle Russell of Merrill Lynch

Called to order: 6:35 PM
Adjourned : 7:30 PM

Tom and Gayle reviewed a quarter year performance and presented several Investment managers based on our "risk tolerance test" of March 4th.

We discussed options and will bring our recommendations to the full board for the reallocation of the MAP portion of the retirement funds currently managed by Merrill Lynch.

Mary Jane Parsons

From Gayle Russell:

Tom Forma and I met with the committee on 4/7/09 to review the current investment managers as well the manager candidates that the committee considered for a change. We discussed candidates for fixed income management and data for each. Given the small differences between managers, the committee decided to stay with current bond manager (ING).

The committee considered replacing the existing separate equity managers:

Alliance Bernstein LCC, Investco International Value, Goldman Sachs LCV

We reviewed the following Consults Diversified Equity Portfolios (CDP) as potential candidates to replace the individual equity managers. Each CDP service includes portfolios managed by separate asset management teams.

MFS (MFS for large cap value, Neuberger Berman for large cap growth, Earnest for small/mid cap)

Eaton Vance (Janus for large cap growth, Eaton Vance for large cap value, Atlanta for Small/Mid cap, Natixis for International)

Allianz (Neuberger Berman for large cap growth, NFJ for mid/large cap value, Cadence for Mid Cap growth, NFJ for international)

Natixis (Aletheia for large cap growth, Sound Shore for large cap value, Vaughn Nelson for small/mid cap, Hansberger for international, AEW for REIT)

The committee choose the following 2 CDP equity management services from the 4 above. The MAPP equity investment will be allocated as follows per the committee:

MFS 40%

Eaton Vance 60%

The committee chose the same two equity managers with different percentages for equity investment for the DB plan:

MFS 60%

Eaton Vance 40%

As you know the DB plan is currently with Bank of America and is being transferred to Merrill Lynch. The committee elected to keep the equity and fixed income asset allocation as it currently is at Bank of America.

Gayle A. Russell, CRPC, Financial Advisor

The Forma Group, Merrill Lynch