

WISCONSIN COALITION OF ANNUITANTS

Summary 2011

Coalition Directors Meetings

Ten monthly meetings were conducted. The 20th Annual Conference was held on Monday May 16th at the American Family Headquarters Madison. No meeting was held in July. The January through June meetings were held on the third Wednesday of the month at the WPPA Building 340 Coyier Lane Madison. Relocation of WPPA moved the July through December meetings to WPPA 660 John Nolen Drive, Madison.

Average attendance at monthly meetings was 24 with a high of 33 and a low of 21. Of the twenty-two member organizations the average number of directors and alternates represented at the monthly meetings was 20 with a high of 22 and a low of 17.

New Directors

- 6/15 Millard Susman, UWMRA
- 6/15 Berland Meyer, WREA
- 11/16 Sandy Drew, SWIB
- 11/16 Buzz Davis, WFT-R
- 11/16 Robert Beglinger, WFT-R

Motions Approved

- 2/16 MSC The WCOA will write a letter to the Joint Finance Committee supporting ETF Secretary Stella's letter addressing issues and concerns affecting ETF.
- 3/16 MSC The WCOA will recognize James Senty as the recipient of the 2011 Blair Testin Award. The award will be presented at the 2011 Annual Conference.
- 4/20 MSC The WCOA supports SWIB's legislative request to: create or abolish FTE positions, to be given the flexibility to establish an operating budget and to convert two classified FTE positions to unclassified.
MSC The WCOA secretary be given a \$150 honorarium.
MSC The WCOA treasurer be given a \$100 honorarium.
- 6/15 MSC the WCOA 21st annual conference will be held Monday, May 14, 2012 at the American Family Headquarters.
MSC The WCOA will not be meeting in July 2011.
- 10/24 MSC The WCOA supports ETF's request for an actuarial study.
MSC The WCOA is concerned for the loss of expertise in state and local governments without some flexibility in rehiring annuitants.
- 12/12 MSC The WCOA will develop a non-political, factual, short presentation on the WRS that will be made available on the WCOA website.
MSC The WCOA Secretary explore the possibility of purchasing a digital recorder.

Monthly Treasurer's reports were accepted as presented.

Guests/Speakers

- 1/19 Keith Bozarth, Executive Director, SWIB
Laura Frost, Advocate Volunteer, AARP
Vickie Baker, Ombudsperson, ETF
- 2/16 Dan Schmidt, Senior Analyst, Legislative Council
Jessica Karls-Ruplinger, Staff Attorney, Legislative Council
Randy Eggert, Analyst, Real Estate Division, SWIB
Sandy Drew, Legislative and Beneficiary Liaison, SWIB
Sari King, Constituent Relations Manager, ETF
- 3/16 Sandy Drew, Legislative and Beneficiary Liaison, SWIB
Matt Stohr, Director, Legislation, Communications, Planning, ETF
- 4/20 Matt Stohr, Administrator, Division of Retirement Services
Sandy Drew, Legislative and Beneficiary Liaison, SWIB
- 6/15 Shawn Smith, Communications and Legislative Director, ETF
Sandy Drew, Legislative and Beneficiary Liaison, SWIB
- 8/15 Shawn Smith, Communications and Legislative Director, ETF
SWIB report from Keith Bozarth, Executive Director, presented by Sandy Drew
- 9/26 Shawn Smith, Communications and Legislative Director, ETF
Vicki Hearing, Public Information Officer, SWIB
- 10/24 Dave Stella, Secretary, ETF
Dan Schmidt, Senior Analyst, Legislative Council
- 11/16 William Ford, ETF Board Member
Vicki Hearing, Public Information Officer, SWIB
Shawn Smith, Communications and Legislative Director, ETF
- 12/12 Keith Bozarth, Executive Director, SWIB
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Annual Conference May 16, American Family Headquarters, Madison

- Keith Bozarth, Executive Director, SWIB
Dominic Garcia, Fixed Income Fund of Funds Manager, SWIB
William Ford, Elected Annuitant Board Member ETF Board
James Senty, Chairman, State of Wisconsin Investment Board
Blair Testin Award recipient - James Senty
Dave Stella, Secretary, ETF
Matthew Stohr, Administrator, Retirement Services, ETF
Hon. Robert Jauch, WI State Senate, Member Joint Survey Committee on Retirement Systems