

**SONOMA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION
INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA**

In accordance with Retirement Board Resolution #156, adopted on September 23, 2021, and reaffirmed on January 26, 2023, the Sonoma County Employees' Retirement Association Investment Committee meeting will be held virtually and in compliance with California Government Code section 54953(e).

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC MAY NOT ATTEND THIS MEETING IN PERSON

Thursday, February 23, 2023

8:30 a.m.

The February 23, 2023, Sonoma County Employees' Retirement Association's Investment Committee meeting will be facilitated virtually through WebEx Meetings.

Members of the public can watch or listen to the meeting using one of the two following methods:

1. Join the WebEx meeting application on your computer, tablet, or smartphone:

<https://sonomacounty.webex.com/sonomacounty/j.php?MTID=m7dfce796f6d9c4b094fa277b8f6753d1>

2. Call-in and listen to the meeting:

Dial 1-408-418-9388

Enter meeting ID: 2486 899 1114

Enter password: 02232023

PUBLIC COMMENT PRIOR TO THE MEETING

Email Public Comment: To submit an emailed public comment to the Investment Committee, in advance of the meeting, email julia.smith@sonoma-county.org by 7:30 a.m. February 23, 2023. Please provide your name, the agenda number(s) on which you wish to speak, and your comment. These comments will be provided to the Committee members prior to the start of the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT DURING THE MEETING

Public Comment Using WebEx: Members of the public who join the WebEx meeting, either through the WebEx app or by calling in, will be able to provide live public comment for each agenda item, after the Investment Committee and staff have provided their comments.

Non-confidential materials distributed with the agenda packet and/or related to an item on this agenda submitted to SCERA after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection electronically. Please send an email request for non-confidential materials to julia.smith@sonoma-county.org.

ACCOMMODATION: If you have a disability which requires an accommodation, an alternative format, or requires another person to assist you while attending this meeting, please contact the Retirement Office at (707) 565-8100, at least 72 hours in advance to ensure arrangements for accommodations.

The Investment Committee maintains and reserves the right to take action on any item agendized for discussion. Topics are generally ordered by priority and less pressing items may be dropped or postponed if time constraints require.

I. MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the January 26, 2023, Investment Committee meeting minutes

Recommendation: Approve the January 26, 2023, Investment Committee Minutes.

II. PRESENTATIONS

A. Dodge & Cox – Kevin Johnson, Vice President and Portfolio Manager, will provide an organizational update and comment on the performance and positioning of the global equity portfolio the firm manages for SCERA.

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B. Market Outlook - Jas Thandi, Global Head of Asset Allocation, and Himmat Dhaliwal, Investment Strategist, will review Aon's expectations for market returns in light of current economic conditions.

C. Fourth Quarter & Full Year 2022 Investment Performance Report – Investment Consultant Tim Pflugrad of Aon Investment Consulting, will present.

III. INVESTMENT STAFF AND CONSULTANT

The Investment Committee will move into Executive Session and close the meeting to all attendees who are not necessary for the consideration of existing litigation. While the meeting is closed, those attendees will be placed into the WebEx lobby by the WebEx host and will not hear or see the meeting. The WebEx screen will indicate that the attendees are in the lobby and, if still present, will be re-connected to the meeting once the Board returns to open session.

A. Executive Session

Executive Session. Meeting closed pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) to confer with legal counsel – existing litigation, *Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System, et al. v. Bank of America, et al.*

The Investment Committee will move out of Executive Session and reopen the meeting to all WebEx attendees who were placed in the lobby during the closed session period.

- B. Executive Session Report Out
- C. Active versus Passive Review
- D. 2023 Planning Session Logistics
- E. Aon's Custody Advisory Services Securities Finance Review & Optimization – update
- F. SCERA Due Diligence Travel Schedule – update

IV. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. SCERA Investment Performance Report for January 2023.
- B. Aon Flash Report, “Guggenheim Partners’ Fixed Income Strategies Returned to ‘Buy’”, February 17, 2023.
- C. Axiom Release, Acquisition of Regulated Care Homes in England, February 13, 2023.
- D. Wall Street Journal, “U.S. Retail Sales Rebounded Sharply in January”, February 15, 2023.
- E. The Economist, “Investors expect the economy to avoid recession”, February 15, 2023.

V. GENERAL DISCUSSION MATTERS

Opportunity to advise the Investment Committee of new matters and for Committee members to ask questions for clarification, provide information to staff, request staff to report back on a matter, or direct staff to place a matter on a subsequent agenda.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

Opportunity for public comment on non-agenda items within the jurisdiction of the Investment Committee.

VII. NEXT MEETING

The next Investment Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 30, 2023, at 8:30 a.m. via WebEx. Planned topics for this meeting include a presentation by Systematic.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT