## KERN COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION (KCERA) BOARD OF RETIREMENT

#### 11125 River Run Boulevard, Bakersfield, California

### **SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS**

# Investment Committee September 5, 2024

8:32 a.m.

Committee Members: Couch, Kaufman, Kratt, Sanders (Alternate) Chair Whitezell

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Couch, Kaufman, Kratt, Sanders, Whitezell

Absent: None

NOTE: The vote is displayed in bold below each item. For example, Kratt-Couch denotes Trustee Rick Kratt made the motion and Trustee David Couch seconded the motion.

## AB 2449 REMOTE APPEARANCE(S)

Items 1 and 2 withdrawn from agenda. No trustees appeared via teleconference.

#### **INVESTMENT MATTERS**

 Discussion and appropriate action on private credit fund recommendation presented by Keirsten Lawton, Partner, Cambridge Associates<sup>1</sup>, and Senior Investment Officer Geoff Nolan – KEIRSTEN LAWTON, CAMBRIDGE ASSOCIATES, HEARD; SENIOR INVESTMENT OFFICER GEOFF NOLAN HEARD

RECOMMENDED THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT APPROVE UP TO \$25MM COMMITMENT TO MAGNETAR STRUCTURED SOLUTIONS FUND; AUTHORIZE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO SIGN, SUBJECT TO LEGAL ADVICE AND REVIEW

Kratt-Couch – 4 Ayes

<sup>1</sup> Written materials and investment recommendations from the consultants, fund managers and KCERA investment staff relating to alternative investments are exempt from public disclosure pursuant to California Government Code § 7928.710, § 7922.000, and §54957.5.

- 4. Presentation on Midstream Energy deep dive presented by Brian Kwan, CFA, CAIA, Verus, Chief Investment Officer Daryn Miller, CFA, and Investment Analyst Melekte Yohannes BRIAN KWAN, VERUS, CFA, CAIA, HEARD; CHAIR TYLER WHITEZELL HEARD; TRUSTEES JORDAN KAUFMAN, RICK KRATT, AND JOHN SANDERS HEARD; CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER DOMINIC BROWN HEARD; CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER DARYN MILLER, CFA, HEARD; INVESTMENT ANALYST MELEKTE YOHANNES HEARD
  - HEARD PRESENTATION; RECEIVED EDUCATIONAL TRAINING (52 MINUTES TRUSTEE EDUCATION CREDIT)
- Discussion and appropriate action on termination recommendations presented by Chief Investment Officer Daryn Miller, CFA, Senior Investment Officer Geoff Nolan, and Brian Kwan, CFA, CAIA, Verus – BRIAN KWAN, VERUS, CFA, CAIA, HEARD; CHIEF INVESTEMENT OFFICER DARYN MILLER, CFA, HEARD; SENIOR INVESTMENT OFFICER GEOFF NOLAN HEARD

RECOMMENDED THE BOARD OF RETIREMENT: A) TERMINATE WESTERN ASSET CORE PLUS; AND B) TERMINATE WESTERN ASSET HIGH YIELD

**Kratt-Kaufman – 4 Ayes** 

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

6. The public is provided the opportunity to comment on agenda items at the time those agenda items are discussed by the Committee. This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Committee on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Committee. Committee members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification and, through the Chair, make a referral to staff for factual information or request staff to report back to the Committee at a later meeting. Speakers are limited to two minutes. Please state your name for the record prior to making a presentation – NONE

#### REFERRALS TO STAFF, ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS

7. On their own initiative, Committee members may make a brief announcement refer matters to staff, subject to KCERA's rules and procedures, or make a brief report on their own activities – NONE

8. ADJOURNED – 9:42 A.M.

Secretary, Board of Retirement

Chair, Investment Committee