

NHRS Board of Trustees, Governance Committee
July 8, 2014

NOTE: These minutes from the July 8, 2014, Governance Committee meeting were approved at the August 12, 2014 Committee meeting.

**Governance Committee
Board of Trustees
July 8, 2014**

Public Minutes

**New Hampshire Retirement System
54 Regional Drive
Concord, NH 03301**

Committee Members: Don Roy, *Chair*; Dick Gustafson, Ph.D.; David McCrillis; and Guy Scaife. Dean Crombie, *absent*.

Trustee: Germano Martins

Staff: George Lagos, *Executive Director*; Tim Crutchfield, Esq., *Chief Legal Counsel*; Larry Johansen, *Director of Investments*; Mark Cavanaugh, Esq., *Associate Counsel and Compliance Officer*; Carolyn Johnson, *Hearings Examiner*; Shannan Hudgins, *Administrative Coordinator*.

Guest: David Kausch, Chief Actuary, *Gabriel Roeder Smith & Company*

Chair Roy called the meeting to order at approximately 12:15 a.m. On a motion by Trustee Gustafson, seconded by Trustee Scaife, the minutes from the June 10, 2014, Committee meeting were approved unanimously with two spelling corrections.

Atty. Crutchfield provided an update to the Committee on Staff recommendations to amend NHRS administrative rule Ret. 103.01(d) regarding charging for copies in a follow-up to the June report. He stated that Staff continued to craft appropriate language in the working draft, and he expected to present a recommendation at the August meeting.

Chair Roy asked for an update on proposed revisions to the Employer Withdrawal Policy, and Mr. Johansen discussed the actuarial implications of an employer withdrawal from the system as the focus of the revisions. Mr. Kausch offered additional commentary.

Atty. Crutchfield reported that the receipt of the IRS Cycle C favorable determination letter dated June 18, 2014, entitled the System to be treated as a governmental plan under the Internal Revenue Code (Code) through the five-year cycle ending January 31, 2019. The letter determined that NHRS was operating appropriately in form regarding Code requirements as evidenced through its applicable statute, rules and policies for both the pension trust and the medical subsidy program.

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The next meeting was set to follow the August 12, 2014, Board of Trustees meeting.

On a motion by Trustee Scaife, seconded by Trustee McCrillis, the meeting adjourned at approximately 12:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Shannan Hudgins