



## City Of Cincinnati Retirement System Investment Committee

### Minutes

June 5, 2008 / 11: AM  
Committee Room B, City Hall

The Chairperson confirmed a quorum and called the meeting to order: 11:06 AM

Present:

Jack Walsh, Chair (Proxy)  
Marijane Klug, Vice Chair  
Donald Beets  
Mike Fehn  
Brian Pickering  
James Robinson  
Daniel Radford

Staff Present:

John Boudinot  
Cheryl Volk - Recorder

Absent

Michael Rachford  
David Rager

#### **APRIL 3, 2008 INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Motion made by D. Radford and seconded by D. Beets to approve the minutes as submitted.  
Motion was carried by the Committee.

#### **THE CRS INVESTMENT CONSULTANT, MARQUETTE ASSOCIATES, BRETT CHRISTENSON, MANAGING DIRECTOR PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

##### 1<sup>st</sup> QUARTER 2008 REPORT

The Report included:

- 1) Domestic Economic Environment
- 2) Fixed income Market Environment
- 3) U.S. Equity Market Environment
- 4) International Equity Market Environment
- 5) Real Estate
- 6) Long-Short Equity
- 7) Private Equity
- 8) Portable Alpha Presentation

The report provided customized benchmark information as requested. Smith & Graham remain on Alert Status due to Investment Professional Turnover. Marquette recommended that Core Fixed Income Managers, Smith and Graham be taken down to 0% asset allocation.

Currently small-cap value is 100% indexed. Marquette recommended that if a small-cap manager is selected today, that instead of allocating \$40 million – they recommended an allocation of \$50 million with \$12.5 coming from large-cap growth.

### **April 2008 Report**

Mr. Christenson noted the one-month return was up 3.5% (up about \$100 million) from last month.

### **Small-Cap Value Equity Manager Search**

Candidates made twenty minute presentations:

- Opus
- Tocqueville
- Victory
- WCM

Following the presentations, a review of the reports, and a question/answer session, the Board agreed that WCM and Opus were the two stronger candidates.

### ***Committee Action***

D. Beets made a motion to hire Opus as small-cap manager. M. Klug seconded the motion. There was a discussion followed by a vote. Opus – 4 votes WCM – 3 votes

Opus – Radford, Robinson, Klug, Beets

WCM – Pickering, Fehn, Walsh

### **Asset Allocation**

Marquette recommended an asset allocation study be conducted in a couple of months after the completion of the small cap and mid-cap managers' search and the portable alpha education. The Board was asked to consider August or September for a thorough discussion of asset allocation.

### **Mid Cap Manager Search**

The Board discussed whether to consider a search for mid-cap managers. Members agreed to conduct interviews of mid-cap managers for educational purposes. Times Square, Frontier and Turner were recommended.

### ***Committee Action***

B. Pickering made a motion, seconded by M. Fehn to interview Times Square, Frontier, and Turner at the Investment Committee meeting August 7, 2008. Meeting to begin at 11:00 AM. The motion was carried by the committee.

J. Robinson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by J. Walsh. Motion was carried and the meeting was adjourned 2PM.