



# City Of Cincinnati Retirement System Election Committee Meeting

March 15, 2010 11:00 A.M.  
CRS Conference Room

The meeting was called to order: 11:07 A.M.

Present:

Michael Rachford, Chair  
Bryan Schmitt, vice Chair  
Brian Pickering

Staff present:

Cheryl Volk

## **MAILING BALLOTS**

Employee Trustee Election process was reviewed. A request to mail the ballots was forwarded from the March 4, 2010 Board of Trustees for consideration. The \$1300 estimated cost for mailing the ballots bulk-rate was taken into consideration.

### ***Committee Action***

M. Rachford made a motion to deny the request to mail the ballots and to continue sending the ballots via interdepartmental mail. B. Schmitt seconded the motion and motion passed. Ballots to be sent via interdepartmental mail.

M. Rachford	Yes
B. Schmitt	Yes
B. Pickering	No

## **DISCUSSIONS**

- The committee agreed to revise the CRS rules to provide additional time between the date of election close and the ballot count. The original rule for the Employee Trustee Election cites “the ballots shall be counted on the second day after the election close.” The updated rule will indicate “the second Monday after the election close.” This new timeline will add two business days before ballots are counted.
- Members agreed to update the CRS rules to indicate the use of standard bulk mail when mailing ballots to retirees and the use of “business reply-first class” mail for retirees to mail their ballots back in the return envelopes.
- Members requested:
  - Cost for placing “watermarks” on ballots
  - Cost for printing ballots with color ink and color city logo
  - Draft of ballot with color ink and logo. Present draft for review at the next meeting of the Election Committee: March 18, 2010.

Meeting was adjourned 12:30 P.M.