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### **Arizona State Retirement System**

# AGENDA

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

**OF THE ARIZONA STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

**INVESTMENT COMMITTEE**

3300 North Central Avenue, 14th Floor Conference Room

Phoenix, Arizona 85012

### December 16, 2019

1:30 p.m.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02(F), notice is hereby given to Trustees of the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS) Investment Committee (IC) and to the general public that the ASRS IC will hold a meeting open to the public on Monday, December 16, 2019, beginning at 1:30 p.m.in the 14th Floor Conference Room of the ASRS offices at 3300 N. Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona 85012. Trustees of the Committee may attend either in person or by telephone conference call.

This is a regularly scheduled meeting of the IC; however, due to possible attendance by other ASRS Board Trustees, this meeting may technically become a meeting of the Board or one of its Committees. Actions taken will be consistent with IC governance procedures. Actions requiring Board authority will be presented to the full Board for final decision.

The Chair may take public comment during any agenda item. If any member of the public wishes to speak to a particular agenda item, they should complete a “Request to Speak” form indicating the item and provide it to the Committee Administrator.

This meeting will be teleconferenced to the ASRS Tucson office at 4400 East Broadway Boulevard, Suite 200, Tucson, Arizona 85711. The conference call to Tucson will be disconnected after 15 minutes if there are no attendees in the Tucson audience.

The Agenda for the meeting is as follows:

1. Call to Order; Roll Call; Opening Remarks (*Estimated time 4 minutes*) Mr. Michael Lofton

Chair, Investment Committee

1. Approval of the Minutes of the September 16, 2019 Public Meeting of the ASRS IC (*Action item; estimated time 1 minute*) Mr. Michael Lofton
2. Presentation, Discussion, and Appropriate Action Regarding Portfolio Positioning, House Views and General Discussion *(Informational and discussion item; estimated time 30 minutes)*

Mr. Karl Polen

Chief Investment Officer (CIO), ASRS

Mr. Al Alaimo

Sr. Portfolio Manager of Fixed Income, Cash, and Liquid Alternatives, ASRS

Mr. Samer Ghaddar

Sr. Portfolio Manager of Equities, ASRS

Objective:

The CIO and portfolio managers will present their investment views and the committee will discuss the current economic and investment environment. *No action is expected on this item, but the IC may express views or offer guidance on the matters discussed.*

1. Presentation, Discussion, and Appropriate Action Regarding Investment Performance *(Informational and discussion item; estimated time 30 minutes)* Mr. Karl Polen

Mr. Al Alaimo

Mr. Samer Ghaddar

Objective:

The CIO and portfolio managers will report on investment performance and performance attribution in each of the portfolios. The discussion will include returns and holdings based performance analysis and a review of current strategies for the portfolios. *No action is expected on this item, but the IC may express views or offer guidance on the matters discussed.*

1. Presentation, Discussion, and Appropriate Action Regarding the Credit Implementation Plan *(Informational and discussion item; estimated time 20 minutes)* Mr. Al Alaimo

Mr. John Doran

Assistant Portfolio Manager, Fixed Income, ASRS

Objective:

Mr. Alaimo will update the committee on the Credit Implementation plan.  *No action is expected on this item, but the IC may express views or offer guidance on the matters discussed.*

1. Presentation, Discussion, and Appropriate Action Regarding the Interest Rate Sensitive Implementation Plan *(Informational and discussion item; estimated time 20 minutes)* Mr. Al Alaimo

Mr. John Doran

Objective:

Mr. Alaimo will update the committee on the Interest Rate Sensitive Implementation plan.  *No action is expected on this item, but the IC may express views or offer guidance on the matters discussed.*

1. Presentation, Discussion, and Appropriate Action Regarding Independent Reporting, Monitoring and Oversight (*Informational and discussion item; estimated time 20 minutes*) Mr. Allan Martin

Partner, NEPC

Objective:

NEPC to present total fund performance results for the period ending September 30, 2019 and will report on their monitoring of IMD activities. *No action is expected on this item, but the IC may express views or offer guidance on the matters discussed.*

1. Presentation, Discussion, and Appropriate Action Regarding Risk Management (*Informational and discussion item; estimated time 10 minutes*) Mr. Karl Polen

Objective:

The CIO will present the MSCI risk management report. *No action is expected on this item, but the IC may express views or offer guidance on the matters discussed*.

1. Presentation, Discussion, and Appropriate Action Regarding Compliance (*Informational and discussion item; estimated time 10 minutes*) Ms. Kerry White

Assistant Chief Investment Officer for Reporting, Compliance & Administration

Objective:

The Assistant CIO will report on compliance activities. *No action is expected on this item, but the IC may express views or offer guidance on the matters discussed*.

1. Presentation, Discussion, and Appropriate Action Regarding ASRS Supplemental Salary Deferral Plan (SSDP) and Supplemental Retirement Savings Plan (SRSP) *(Informational and discussion item; estimated time 15 minutes)* Mr. Paul Matson

Director, ASRS

Ms. Lupita Breland

Sr. Portfolio Analyst, ASRS

Objective:

Mr. Matson and Ms. Breland will update the committee on the SRSP and SSDP plans.  *No action is expected on this item, but the IC may express views or offer guidance on the matters discussed.*

1. Request for Future Agenda Items (*Discussion item; estimated time 5 minutes*) Mr. Michael Lofton

Mr. Karl Polen

1. Call to the Public Mr. Michael Lofton

Those wishing to address the ASRS IC are required to complete a Request to Speak form before the meeting indicating their desire to speak. Request to Speak forms are available at the sign-in desk and should be given to the IC Administrator. Trustees of the Committee are prohibited by A.R.S. § 38-431.01(H) from discussing or taking legal action on matters raised during an open call to the public unless the matters are properly noticed for discussion and legal action. As a result of public comment, the IC may direct staff to study and/or reschedule the matter for discussion and decision at a later date.

1. The next ASRS Investment Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 16, 2020 at 1:30 p.m., at 3300 N. Central Avenue, 14th Floor Conference room, Phoenix, Arizona.
2. Adjournment of the ASRS IC Meeting.

A copy of the agenda background material provided to IC Trustees (with the exception of material relating to possible executive sessions) is available for public inspection at the ASRS offices located at 3300 North Central Avenue, 14th Floor, Phoenix, Arizona, and 4400 East Broadway Boulevard, Suite 200, Tucson, Arizona. The agenda is subject to revision up to 24 hours prior to meeting. These materials are also available on the ASRS website <https://www.azasrs.gov/content/board-and-committee-meetings> approximately 48 hours prior to the meeting.

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Dated December 9, 2019

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Joyce Williams Karl Polen

Committee Administrator Chief Investment Officer