

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Zoom Conference Call Thursday, November 14, 2024, 8:00 am – 9:00 am

# **Meeting Minutes**

Present: Anthony Ferry Isaiah Henry Jim Leach

Mark Schwartz Jackie Han, District Fiscal Elizabeth McCann, staff

Andrew Hom, staff Emily Cramer, staff

Absent: Roxanne Metz, Fiscal staff Dr. Elliot Stern

Guests: Graystone – Dan Tichenor

1. Meeting called to order at 8:04 a.m.

- 2. Attendance taken and quorum achieved.
- 3. Consent Agendas
  - August 8, 2024, Meeting Minutes approved
  - Gifts Received (10/1/24-10/31/24) approved.

Mark Schwartz motioned to approve, and Jim Leach seconded, motion approved.

- 4. Foundation Financial Statement By Andrew Hom
  - Audit has been finalized.
  - Total assets went from \$12.8 million in 2023 to \$13.8 million in 2024.
  - The Osher Foundation gave us a total of \$87,000 for the year that goes directly to our students.
  - Contributions of \$1.1 million in 2023 to \$1.2 million in 2024.
  - Total revenues went from \$2.5 million in 2023 to \$2.8 million in 2024.
  - Program expenses were \$1.5 million in 2023 to \$1.9 million in 2024.
  - Scholarships awarded totaled \$555,000 in 2024; the previous year scholarships awarded totaled \$463,000.
- 5. Investment Performance Report 09/30/24 Review by Graystone Consulting, Dan Tichenor
  - We had a really strong first nine months of the year, even on an election year.
  - Have seen a broadening out of the market in the third quarter.
  - The labor market is softening. There is a disconnect with skills needed and what unemployed individuals have.
  - The labor force will be seeing higher costs due to Trump's immigration policy.
  - The third quarter was strong across the board, bringing the portfolios into double digits.
  - The General Fund asset allocations are close to their targets.

#### **RECENT DEVELOPMENTS**

### **General Fund & Endowment Fund**

Terminated and replaced Western Asset Core Plus Fixed Income SMA with John Hancock Core Plus SMA

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

# **General Fund & Endowment Fund**

- Trim SPDR S&P 1500 Composite by ~1.0% and use proceeds to increase Breckinridge Intermediate Gov/Credit SMA
  - Rebalance US Equities toward target allocation while establishing slight overweight to Fixed
    Income considering current rate environment.
  - Look to establish closer to equal weight positioning between John Hancock and Breckinridge in the Endowment
- 6. Meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

**NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 16, 2025, AT 8:00 A.M.**