VENTURA COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

BOARD OF RETIREMENT

BUSINESS MEETING

MARCH 15, 2004

MINUTES

DIRECTORS William W. Wilson, Chairman, Public Member

PRESENT: Lawrence L. Matheney, Treasurer, Ex-officio Member

Albert G. Harris, Public Member John J. Crossan, Public Member

Robert Hansen, General Employee Member Jim Wall, General Employee Member Wayne Larroque, Retiree Member

Chris Johnston, Alternate Employee Member Vern Markley, Alternate Retiree Member

DIRECTORS Judy Mikels, Public Member

ABSENT: Tracy Towner, Vice Chairman, Safety Employee Member

STAFF Van Perris, Administrator

PRESENT: Lori Nemiroff, Assistant County Counsel

PLACE: Ventura County Employees' Retirement Association

Second Floor Boardroom 1190 South Victoria Avenue

Ventura, CA 93003

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

ITEM:

I. <u>INTRODUCTION OF MEETING</u>

Chairman Wilson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Harris moved, seconded by Mr. Wall, to approve the Agenda.

Motion passed.

III. APROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Disability Meeting of March 1, 2004.

Mr. Harris moved, seconded by Mr. Crossan, to approve the Minutes for the Disability Meeting of March 1, 2004.

Motion passed.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE ANTICIPATED TO BE ROUTINE AND NON CONTROVERSIAL. CONSENT ITEMS WILL BE APPROVED WITH ONE MOTION IF NO MEMBER OF THE BOARD WISHES TO COMMENT OR ASK QUESTIONS. IF COMMENT OR DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND TRANSFERRED TO THAT SECTION OF THE AGENDA DEEMED APPROPRIATE BY THE CHAIR

- A. Delta Asset Management Investment Report for the Month Ended February 29, 2004.
- B. Wasatch Advisors Investment Report for the Month Ended February 29, 2004.
- C. LSV Asset Management Investment Report for the Month Ended February 29, 2004.
- D. Barclays Global Investors Report for the U.S. Equity Index Fund, Extended Equity Market Fund and U.S. Debt Index Fund for the Month Ended February 29, 2004.
- E. Capital Guardian Trust Company Investment Report for the Month Ended February 29, 2004.

IV. <u>CONSENT AGENDA</u> (Continued)

- F. Western Asset Management Investment Report for the Month Ended February 29, 2004
- G. Reams Asset Management Investment Report for the Month Ended February 29, 2004.
- H. Regular and Deferred Retirements and Survivors Continuances for the Month of February 2004.
- J. Statement of Plan Net Assets, Statement of Changes In Plan Net Assets, Summary of Investments & Cash Equivalents and Statement of Reserves for the Month Ending February 29, 2004.
- K. Report of Checks Disbursed in February 2004.

Mr. Matheney moved, seconded by Mr. Harris, to approve the Consent Agenda Items A through K.

Motion passed.

V. <u>INVESTMENT INFORMATION</u>

A. Sprucegrove Investment Management Presentation, Ian Fyfe and Mark Shevitz.

Mr. Shevitz and Mr. Fyfe reviewed investment performance, strategy and provided an update on their firm.

- B. Ennis Knupp & Associates, David Russell, CFA, and Nathan Zinn.
 - 1. Real Estate Separate Account Takeover Proposal Comparison.

Mr. Russell and Mr. Zinn reviewed the real estate takeover proposal comparison. Mr. Russell indicated that the Board would be better served selecting INVESCO because of fees, transition costs and liquidity issues, but that any of the other managers evaluated would be an excellent choice. Discussion was held regarding INVESCO being on the Board's watch list. Mr. Russell indicated Ennis Knupp would be willing to recommend INVESCO be removed from the watch list.

V. INVESTMENT INFORMATION (Continued)

- B. Ennis Knupp & Associates, David Russell, CFA, and Nathan Zinn.
 - 1. Real Estate Separate Account Takeover Proposal Comparison (Continued)

Mr. Matheney moved, seconded by Mr. Hansen, to select Prudential Real Estate Investors.

Motion failed. Mr. Matheney and Mr. Hansen for the motion.

Mr. Harris moved, seconded by Mr. Wall, to continue this matter to the next Business Meeting.

Motion passed.

2. Monthly Investment Performance Summary

Mr. Russell reviewed the performance summary as of February 29, 2004.

Mr. Harris moved, seconded by Mr. Wall, to receive and file the preliminary investment performance report.

Motion passed.

VI. <u>INFORMATIONAL</u>

- A. Publications (Available in Retirement Office)
 - 1. Institutional Investor
 - 2. Pensions and Investments

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Perris commented in the actuarial presentation provided to the Board of Supervisors by Paul Angelo on March 9. Mr. Perris also advised the Board that Supervisor Bennett and Chief Executive Officer John Johnston expressed dissatisfaction with the Board of Retirement with regard to the granting of the \$27.50 supplemental benefit.

VIII. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Mr. Hansen indicated that INVESCO should be managing the four remaining properties as if they were going to continue with separate account management and attempting to sell properties if the right opportunity arose rather than just holding the properties in anticipation of their being moved into the commingled fund. Staff was directed to contact INVESCO to discuss this matter.

IX. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Wilson adjourned the meeting at 11:15 p.m.

	Respectfully submitted,
Approved:	VAN PERRIS, Administrator
WILLIAM W. WILSON Chairman	