

**MINUTES OF MEETING
KENTUCKY RETIREMENT SYSTEMS
SPECIAL CALLED INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
OCTOBER 22, 2024, 9:00 A.M., E.T.
VIA LIVE VIDEO TELECONFERENCE**

At the October 22, 2024, Special Called Meeting of the Kentucky Retirement Systems' (KRS) Investment Committee, the following Committee members were present: Prewitt Lane (Chair), David Adkins, and Ramsey Bova. Staff members present were Ryan Barrow, Erin Surratt, Victoria Hale, Carrie Bass, Mike Lamb, Steve Willer, Anthony Chiu, Brian Caldwell, Joe Gilbert, Phillip Cook, Sandy Hardin, and Sherry Rankin. Others in attendance included KRS CEO John Chilton and David Lindberg, Chris Tessman, John Patterson, and Craig Morton with Wilshire Advisors, LLC.

1. Mr. Lane called the meeting to order.
2. Ms. Hale read the Opening Statement.
3. Ms. Rankin called Roll.
4. Mr. Lane introduced agenda item **Public Comment**. Ms. Rankin noted there are two (2) **Public Comments**, and they are as follows (*Video 00:05:46 to 00:07:02*).

Thomas Murray Wathen:

I have a repeat question about turning 65 and being made to go on Medicate [sic] and paying \$940.00 a month for my 15-year-old child of mine [sic]. Hazardous Duty Employees who retire and have a child under the age of 22 get the health insurance for free. Did the money I put into the retirement system pay for the Hazardous Duty Retires with children? I don't see where extra money is taken out for Hazardous Duty Retires for this benefit. I won't have any money left for living after all reduction in retirement benefits for health

care for my 15-year-old son. Who determines who gets what benefits? I never got a response from the last letter and will be watching at tomorrow's meeting for a response. Thank you for your time."

Terry Brent Stringer

"No comments."

5. Mr. Lane introduced agenda item ***Investment Recommendation*** (Video 00:07:02 to 00:51:33).

Mr. Lane stated the KPPA Investment Staff is proposing an investment with Kayne Anderson in a continuation vehicle for Kraken Resources, LLC. Mr. Lane mentioned the opportunity being presented is to either liquidate our investment or to integrate it into the Kraken continuation fund. Following Mr. Lane's introduction, Mr. Steve Willer and Mr. Anthony Chiu gave a detailed presentation of the investment recommendation regarding Kraken Resources, LLC. Kraken is a private energy and production company operating in the Williston Basin along the border of North Dakota and Montana. Mr. Chiu advised that this investment opportunity is time sensitive and anticipated to attract significant investor demand. Given Kraken's attractive cash flows, hedged commodity price risk, and current Real Return allocations, Investment Staff is recommending that KRS and CERS roll their total investment of approximately twenty (20) to twenty-five (25) million dollars into the continuation vehicle. This investment will be shared among all KRS plans pending successful legal negotiations and represents an additional ~0.1% of plan assets. Following the informative presentation, the Investment Team addressed questions posed by the committee members. Ms. Bova requested additional information and Mr. Chiu agreed to research the question and forward the findings to Ms. Bova.

Mr. Adkins made a motion to approve the KPPA Investment Staff's recommendation to authorize an investment by KRS into Kraken Resources, LLC, a continuation vehicle of Kayne Anderson, subject to successful contract negotiations. Mr. Lane seconded the motion. Mr. Lane requested a roll call vote, and the motion was passed unanimously.

6. There being no further business, Mr. Lane *adjourned* the meeting.

Copies of all documents presented are incorporated as part of the minutes of the Kentucky Retirement Systems' Investment Committee meeting held on October 22, 2024.

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CERTIFICATION

I do certify that I was present at this meeting, and I have recorded above the action of the Committee on the various items considered by it at this meeting. Further, I certify that all requirements of KRS 61.805-61.850 were met in connection with this meeting.

Recording Secretary

I, as Chair of the Kentucky Retirement Systems Investment Committee, do certify that the Minutes of the meeting held on October 22, 2024, were approved by the Kentucky Retirement Systems Investment Committee on November 21, 2024.

Committee Chair

I have reviewed the Minutes of the Kentucky Retirement Systems Investment Committee Meeting on October 22, 2024, for form, content, and legality.

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