MINUTES OF MEETING
STATE BOARD OF FINANCE
May 7, 2021

An emergency meeting of the State Board of Finance was called by Governor Hutchison pursuant to Act 1088 of 2013. The meeting was held in the Timberlands Conference Room, in the Winthrop Rockefeller Building at 10:00 am, Friday May 7, 2021, pursuant to notice duly given to each member of the Board by the Chairman. Zoom recording of meeting is available through the Treasurer of State’s office.

The following members were present:

Larry Walther, Secretary of DFA
Dennis Milligan, Treasurer of State
Andrea Lea, Auditor of State
Susannah Marshall, Arkansas Bank Commissioner
Eric Munson, Commissioner, Arkansas Securities Department
Jim Bob Britton, Appointed Member (Present on Zoom)
Cale Turner, Appointed Member
Clay Conly, Appointed Member (present on Zoom)
Keith Konecny, Appointed Member (present on Zoom)
Amy Fecher, designee for Arkansas Governor’s Office and Secretary of Transformation and Shared Services.

Others present were Jason Brady, T.J. Fowler, Stacy Peterson, Autumn Sanson, Gary Underwood, and Grant Wallace of the Treasurer’s staff. Alan McVey, Paul Louthian, Debbie Rogers, and Jan Bartlett of the Department of Finance and Administration were present. Jake Bleed, Director of Employee Benefit Division and members of his staff were also in attendance. Secretary Walther seeing a quorum, called the meeting to order.
Mr. Walther opened the meeting by reviewing Agenda Item #1, Act 1004, by briefly discussing the Board of Finances duties and sub-committees. [Zoom recording 00:25:08-00:28.00]

Chairman Walther then recognized Amy Fecher, Secretary of Transformation and Shared Services, to present Agenda Item #2 through #5. Mrs. Fecher briefed the board on work done by the State and Public School Life and Health Insurance Board, which included the state and public school employees health insurance plans and management. She also discussed a timeline moving forward and decision points. Mrs. Fecher reviewed historical rates and funding of the plans. She then discussed the rate setting timeline for the health plans for calendar year 2022. Secretary Fecher emphasized the urgency to make a decision so that it can go before the legislature and still have enough time to present the health plans to the state and public school employees, both active and retired. She restated the fact that October was open enrollment month. Mrs. Fecher then briefed the board on the current financials and presented the decision of the State and Public School Life and Health Insurance Board in their April 2021 meeting. [Zoom recording 00:28:00-00:46:57]

Mrs. Fecher then introduced the Milliman Consulting group, so that several questions asked by the board could be answered. Milliman commented briefly on the plan benchmarking and stated that they would have more information at the next meeting. [Zoom recording 00:46:57-01:06:00]

Chairman Walther then discussed how future meetings would take place, and potential agenda items with regards to the state and public school life and health insurance. Mr. Walther
stated that at the regular State Board of Finance meeting being held on May 11, 2021, an agenda item would be added for further discussion on the subject. [Zoom recording 01:06:00-01:15:00]

Chairman Walther asked if any additional business needed to be brought before the board. Seeing none, Mr. Walther asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Commissioner Marshall and seconded by Commissioner Munson. All members were in favor.