



BURLINGTON EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

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Retirement Board Meeting Agenda Burlington Electric Department August 21, 2014 – 9:00 AM

1. Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes 07/17/2014 & 08/11/2014
3. Approval of Bills
4. Consideration of Retirement Applications
5. Ratify Refund/Rollovers
6. Executive Session
7. Other Business
8. Adjournment

future items

Response to Mayors Letter concerning divestments in fossil fuels

August 11, 2014
Burlington Employees' Retirement Board
Burlington Electric Department

Board Members Present:	Jim Strouse	Robert Hooper
	Munir Kasti	Matt Dow
	Daniel Gilligan	Benjamin O'Brien
	Bob Rusten	Jeff Wick

Others Present:

Stephanie Hanker
Susan Leonard
Mike Flora (Retirement Committee Member)
David Driscoll via phone

The meeting convened the meeting at 9:00am

1. **Agenda:**
Agenda approved as presented
2. **Discussion of Spreadsheet provided by Buck Consultants:**
David Driscoll of Buck Consultants provided the Board with a spreadsheet that outlined several different scenarios in regards to amortization schedules, using proposed new mortality rates, using entry age normal and projected unit credit and open vs closed method scenarios that also include the ability to manipulate the rate of return assumed. The board adjusted the spreadsheet with several options of interest rates and assumed rate of returns for the scenarios provided. Munir Kasti stated that if 8% as an rate of return is continued to be used and that is not met the unfunded liability will continue to increase and will be worse. Jim Strouse stated to the board to keep in mind that they are looking for combinations of changes that could be adopted. Matt Dow asked if they had to look at information that gets them to 100% funded in 30 years vs. 80% funded in 10 years. The board discussed using EAN vs PUC. David Driscoll stated that EAN will need to be used now for GASB reporting standards, but PUC can be used for funding. Jim Strouse stated by using PUC it delays the funding and EAN is the way to go. Bob Rusten asked if David Driscoll could provide 2 charts, 1st assuming closed group method with changes in the future, the 2nd using the open group method vs closed using EAN and 7.75% rate of return. David Driscoll called ended 10:25. Jim Strouse stated that he was preparing a spreadsheet to show where the unfunded liability came from and will give to the board when completed.

3. **Other Business**

No other business discussed

4. Adjournment

Ben O'Brien moved to adjourn. Matt Dow 2nd. Motion carries 8:0

Meeting Adjourned 10:26am.