

MINUTES OF MEETING
LOUISIANA ASSESSORS' ASSOCIATION
RETIREMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 2015
9:00 A.M.

A meeting of the Louisiana Assessors' Association Retirement Board of Trustees was held Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at the Margaritaville Resort Casino located at 777 Margaritaville Way, Bossier City, Louisiana. The following members were present: President Jimmy Laurent, Jr., Vice President Rick Ducote, Treasurer Barney "Frog" Altazan and Members Erroll Williams, James "Jimbo" Stevenson, Rhyn Duplechain, Richard Earl, James Johnson, Charlie Henington, Brian Wilson, Louis Hebert, Glenda Gaspard, Irby Gamble, and Phyllis Mendoza. Absent were Representative Kevin Pearson and Senator Elbert Guillory.

Following the roll call, prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, and Public Comment period wherein no members of the public spoke a motion entered by Louis Hebert, seconded by Charlie Henington passed to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2015 meeting of the Retirement Board of Trustees.

Next on the agenda was an update on the Assessors' Retirement House Bill 48 sponsored by Representative Thibaut and a report on House Bill 40 being sponsored by Representative Gaines regarding the purchase of military credit.

The next item on the agenda was a presentation by Ms. Denise Akers, the assessors' newly hired legal counsel for the retirement system. Ms. Akers addressed the Board regarding the Board's previous decision to approve the filing of a concursus for a deceased retiree. Ms. Akers stated that after her review of the deceased member's file and all supporting documentation that, in her opinion, it was clear to whom disbursements should be made from the remaining funds of the deceased retiree. A motion was entered by Phyllis Mendoza and seconded by Charlie Henington to proceed with disbursements of remaining funds for the deceased retiree without filing a concursus. The motion passed with unanimous consent.

A motion was made by Irby Gamble, seconded by Jimbo Stevenson and passed unanimously to approve the contract for legal services presented by Ms. Akers.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was entered by Louis Hebert, seconded by Jimbo Stevenson and the meeting was subsequently adjourned.