California Public Agencies Self-directed Tax Advantaged Retirement System (STARS) Joint Teleconference of the 401 and 457 Executive Committees

Teleconference Minutes Thursday, August 10, 2023

Members Present

Deona Knight, Chair Richard Averett Joseph Chan, Secretary Beatrice Ibarra Kalman Hui

Others Present

Lindsay Rice Edward Wagner Shana Aleem Patrick Washington

Agency

Regional Government Services Authority STARS Executive Committee STARS Executive Committee Town of Discovery Bay CSD Transbay Joint Powers Authority

Regional Government Services Authority SageView Advisory Group SageView Advisory Group Empower Retirement

- 1. The meeting was called to order by Chair Knight at 10:07 A.M.
- 2. Marcus Hoey was introduced as the new Client Service Manager with Empower.
- 3. Minutes were approved as presented.
- 4. Investment Performance report for the quarter ending 06/30/2023: Wagner reported that year to date the S&P 500 is up 16.9% and the gains were concentrated around "Big 7" technology stocks. STARS Portfolio \$17.7 million; 28 funds in plan; outperforming 80% of the marketplace; DFA Intermediate Govt Fixed-Income and Metropolitan West Total Return Bond funds have been placed on the watch list.
- 4. Patrick Washington presented the Plan Summary Report of record keeping services: Empower has an updated reporting system; \$17.7 million in participant assets; 383 active participants, with an average account balance of \$29,775.
- 5. Administration and Outreach Activities: Chair Deona Knight confirmed that the RGS has various HR and finance advisors going to conferences and networking to share the STARS website to spread the word about joining the STARS program. She is working with their Communications and Education lead to come up with marketing strategies to grow the STARS program through outreach efforts.
- 6. Lindsay Rice presented the financial reports as of 06/30/23 and reported a net increase of \$4405.00. Richard Averett proposed considering using some of the funds to attend conferences and for ither outreach efforts. Chair Knight with look into opportunities and report back to committee.
- 7. Next meeting: Thursday, November 2, 2023 at 10:00 A.M.
- 8. The meeting adjourned at 11:21 A.M.