

August 20, 2026

There was a Commissioners meeting at 2:00 PM in the Commissioners Conference Room at 700 Sawmill Road, Small Conference Room for the regular scheduled Commissioners meeting. In attendance were Commissioners Brewer, Karschner, Kovach (via zoom), Solicitor McDonald, David Witchey, Eric Boughner, Jean Lapinski, Leigh Ann Hoffman Hunter, Treasurer Creveling, Chris Anderson, Sydney Springer, and Marcie Strachko. Via Zoom: Don Coleman Denise LaBuda, MJ Mahon, David Kovach and Ell Adams.

Commissioner Brewer called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the prior meeting.

Motion was made by Treasurer Creveling and seconded by Commissioner Kovach; all approved.

A. APPROVE THE SALE AND PURCHASE OF THE FOLLOWING:

SELL

Putnam Large-Cap Core \$3,067,927

Fidelity Growth Opps \$1,000,000

Vanguard Large Growth \$1,000,000

PURCHASE

PIMCO RAE \$2,067,927

Integrity Dividend \$1,000,000

Nuveen Value Opps \$2,000,000

Motion was made by Commissioner Karschner seconded by Commissioner Kovach; all approved.

B. REVIEW OF COLUMBIA COUNTY'S DECEMBER 31, 2025 EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEM

C. NEW ANNUITIES OF RETIRED MEMBERS

- **Michelle Frey** selected **Option Four A:** A lump sum of her member account balance plus a monthly benefit payable for the rest of her life representing the county annuity.
Start Date: July 1, 2026
Lump Sum Benefit: \$64,865.31 plus \$977.11 monthly plus a partial payment of \$814.26 for June 2026
- **Christina Collins** selected **No Option:** A monthly benefit payable for the rest of her life representing the total of the member annuity and county annuity. At the time of her death, if she has not received at least the amount of her member account balance at retirement, \$29,768.35 (about 47 monthly payments), her designated beneficiary will receive the balance.
Start Date: February 1, 2026
\$632.42 monthly, Plus a partial payment for January, 2026 of \$61.20
- **Lynn Reed** selected **Option One:** A monthly benefit payable for the rest of her life. At the time of her death, if she hasn't received at least the total of her member account balance plus the present value of the county annuity (\$330,919.34, about 132 monthly payments), her designated beneficiary will receive the balance.
Start date: July, 2026
\$2,502.67 monthly plus a partial payment of \$2,085.56 for June, 2026
- **Deborah Hower** selected **Option Four B:** A lump sum payment of her member account balance plus a monthly benefit payable for the rest of her life representing the county annuity. At the time of her death, if you haven't received monthly payments equal to at least the present value of the county annuity, your designated beneficiary will receive the balance.
Start Date, July, 2026
Lump Sum Benefit: \$138,569.49 plus \$1,525.28 monthly plus a partial payment of \$1,169.38 for June, 2026

D. WITHDRAWALS OF MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS PLUS INTEREST

- **Megan McNeill**
\$25,242.16

E. NEW MEMBERS

- **Dillon Rankin**, 7/6/26
- **Sean Bankes-Pineda**, 7/6/26
- **Nathan Kuchka**, 7/6/26
- **Richard Eyer**, 7/19/26
- **Kaitlyn Tryon**, 7/6/26

F. VESTED MEMBERS

- **None**

G. DEATH

- **Ernesto Ramirez**, a beneficiary of deceased Columbia County retiree **Shirley Ramirez**, passed away on June 20, 2026.
Mrs. Ramirez had selected Option Four (4) C: She elected to withdraw, in one payment, the total accumulated deductions of \$54,503.29 credited to her member account at retirement in addition to receiving a monthly county annuity of \$118.30 payable throughout her life. Upon her death, on 2/23/14, her surviving designated beneficiary, Ernesto Ramirez, would receive the same annuity of **\$118.30** until his death on 6/20/26. There are no funds available for any other beneficiaries.

ADJOURN

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Karschner and seconded by Treasurer Creveling; all approved.

Attest: _____
David J Witchey