



Agenda Item 5b

February 18, 2015

ITEM NAME: Summary Report on Board Fiduciary Training

PROGRAM: Enterprise Compliance Division

ITEM TYPE: Information

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This agenda item reports the status of the 2014 Annual Board Fiduciary Training. Board members complete the training either by attending the live workshop held on January 22, 2015, or by viewing the approved online training. The completion status as of February 6, 2015 is 83 percent.

STRATEGIC PLAN

This agenda item supports Goal B of the 2012-17 Strategic Plan: Cultivate a high-performing, risk-intelligent and innovative organization. The Board's annual fiduciary training ensures that Board members understand their responsibilities as fiduciaries of the System.

BACKGROUND

In September 2011, the Board adopted six governance principles and approved recommendations focusing on improving the effectiveness, oversight, accountability, and decision-making of the Board and its Committees.

In February 2012, the Board approved and implemented the Governance Policy (Policy), which provides an overall framework for board governance. The Policy specifies that "Board members shall attend fiduciary training, which includes on-line training (if available), as approved by the Board President, annually." (Policy, section X.Q., pg. 21 of 31.) The Policy further states "Each Board member will sign a statement acknowledging fiduciary responsibilities in conjunction with self-assessment processes." (Policy, section XI.C., pg. 22 of 31.)

Additionally, CalPERS has conducted the following Board fiduciary workshop sessions since the Policy was implemented:

- February 15, 2012
- December 7, 2012 (workshop video recorded)
- December 17, 2013
- January 22, 2015 (workshop video recorded)

ANALYSIS

Under the Policy, Board members are required to annually attend fiduciary training and certify completion. CalPERS staff is responsible for administering and overseeing the process of obtaining and monitoring these certifications.

BUDGET AND FISCAL IMPACTS

Not applicable.

BENEFITS/RISKS

Not applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 – 2014 Board Fiduciary Training Matrix

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