## Columbus Consolidated Government 457 Deferred Compensation Plan Board

## Called Meeting Minutes January 16, 2020

**Members Present:** Forrest Toelle, Chair Angelica Alexander

Assistant Board Chair, Reather Hollowell, & Tyler Townsend

Members Absent: Freddie Blackmon

Staff Present: Lucy Sheftall
Staff Absent: Sheila Risper

**Consultant:** *Jeff Kuchta & Gwelda Swilley, AndCo* 

**Provider Present:** Christine Bone

## Chair, Forrest Toelle, called the meeting to order.

2:04PM

**Jeff Kuchta** presented the Fourth Quarter Investment Performance Review from 'main' booklet. Plans and changes over the quarter reflect growth in regards to investments; contributions in the plan noted to be ahead of distributions. Highlights on page 62 of the booklet presented.

**Gwelda Swilley** presented- Last year proved to be positive in regards to equities. Anticipation is for rates to remain low for the 2020 year. Long term returns in equities should be just below 8.9% (conservative expectancy). Noted that Valic informs people on how conservatively/aggressively they should be allocated towards the market based on their age and time horizon towards retirement. Target-Date Funds mentioned to be an effective way to inform/educate. (Most people are utilizing Target-Date-Funds).

Christine Bone w/Valic Presents: \*There is no auto-enrollment; participants must sign up.

New hires pre/post enrollment are asked to fill out a 'sign-in' sheet to keep a record/have a way to follow up.

**2019 Enrollment Report**: 36 site-visits, 8 seminars, and 15 comprehensive financial meetings.

Noted that the younger generation (age 49 and below) tend to seek financial planning whereas the older generation (age 50 and older) seek retirement planning/goals. Planning may be as in-depth/high-level as the client needs the consultation to be. \*Consideration: Introducing late night/online 'How-To' seminars for employees that are unavailable during normal workhours.

**Reather Hollowell** introduced review of Deferred Compensation Plan – 457 Employer Match Proposal. *Suggestion* – 1 – Adding a 'salary' to those who are contributing less to know what the 'percentage' would need to be.

*Suggestion - 2 -* Passage (1<sup>st</sup> page) in proposal stating, "CCG will provide a 1% employer match..." will need to be changed to: "CCG will provide up to a 1% employer match..."

*Suggestion/question presented - 3 -* Passage ( $2^{nd}$  page) what was the thought process about not making the proposal retroactive?

**Answer:** Easier to track due to everyone starting fresh under one plan.

Suggestion - 4 - Rewarding longevity encourages retention

*Added Footnote* – How to reach 100% vesting? One must be: Disabled, Retired at 65 or Deceased (any other separation does not warrant 100% vesting.)

\*It was stated that the Final Proposal will be drafted again in the near future to include presented/suggested changes. No final decisions concerning employer match were made.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

3:04PM

Respectfully submitted,

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