



# BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION

## Meeting Minutes

### Federated Investment Committee

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Thursday, March 12, 2026

11:00 AM

1737 North First Street, Suite 580, San  
Jose, CA 95112

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#### HYBRID MEETING

#### PHYSICAL LOCATION:

1737 North First Street, Suite 580, San Jose, CA 95112

#### ZOOM INFORMATION:

[zoom.us](https://zoom.us)

Dial In: +1 408 638 0968 US (San Jose)

Meeting ID: 96424483647

*Anurag Chandra, Chair (Term Expires 11/30/26)*  
*Matthew Faulkner, Trustee (Term Expires 11/30/27)*  
*Deborah Abbott, Trustee (Term Expires 11/30/26)*

*John Flynn, CEO, Office of Retirement Services*  
*Prabhu Palani, Chief Investment Officer*

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The Federated Investment Committee met in person at the Office of Retirement Services, 1737 North First Street, Suite 580, San Jose, CA 95112 and via Zoom on Thursday, March 12, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 11:04 a.m. by Chair Chandra followed by a roll call.

Committee members present: Anurag Chandra, Matthew Faulkner and Deborah Abbott

Retirement Staff present: John Flynn, Prabhu Palani, Jay Kwon, Dhinesh Ganapathiappan, Christina Wang, Arun Nallasivan, Ron Kumar, Harrison Pearce, Ryan Reynado, Cynthia Ayala, Jennifer You, and Julie He.

Investment Staff via Zoom: David Aung

Also present in person: Eileen Neill, Verus Investments and Marc Gessell, Verus Investments.

Also present via Zoom: Ron Dudonis, ACA Group, Laura Wirick, Meketa Investments and Colin Kowalski, Meketa Investments.

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**Attention: Deputy Director/Chief Operations Officer, Office of Retirement Services**  
**Address: 1737 N First St #600, San Jose, CA 95112**  
**Email: #Retire\_Admin@sanjoseca.gov Phone: 408-794-1000 (ORS Main Line)**

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**SB 707 REMOTE APPEARANCE(S)**

- i. Take action on request(s) for remote appearance.

- **CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**
- **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

**1. CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a. Approval of minutes of the December 16, 2025 Federated Investment Committee meeting

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the December 16, 2025 Federated Committee meeting.

Approved (m.s.c. Chandra/Faulkner 2-0)

Trustee Abbott did not vote since she was not at the December 16th meeting.

**2. New Business**

- a. Oral Update by CIO, Prabhu Palani

CIO Palani discussed the agenda items for today's meeting.

- b. Presentation of TCA and FX transaction cost analysis by ACA

Mr. Ron Dudonis, ACA Group, presented the results of the FX and equity trading transaction costs analysis for fiscal year end 2025. For FX transaction costs, the results beat the peer universe and benchmark resulting in a net savings. For the equity transaction cost, there was higher than average execution costs. The higher costs were due to one manager, driven by philosophy and execution, ACA Group recommends continued close monitoring of this manager.

- c. Discussion and action regarding the prefunding of the City's retirement contribution.

Senior Investment Officer, Jay Kwon, presented the discussion on prefunding. This year, all three criteria were met and triggered an additional cut to the discount rate offer to the City for prefunding. Based on the methodology previously adopted, the discount rate would be reduced by 30%.

A motion was made to approve the Staff recommendation of offering the City the pre funding rate at a 30% discount resulting in a rate of 4.6375%.

Approved (m.s.c. Abbott/Faulkner 3-0)

d. Risk overview by Verus Investments

Mr. Marc Gessell from Verus Investments presented an update on the risk overview of the Federated Plan. He expressed that the total risk rose slightly in the 4th Quarter. The total fund risk of 12.19% is still within the board limit of 13%.

e. Nomination and Election of Investment Committee Vice Chair

A motion was made to nominate Deborah Abbott as the Vice Chair of the Federated Investment Committee.

Approved (m.s.c. Chandra/Faulkner 3-0)

- **PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS**
- **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Minutes Recorded, Prepared and Respectfully Submitted by,

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JOHN FLYNN, CEO  
OFFICE OF RETIREMENT SERVICES