

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 23, 2022, INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

The Investment Committee (“Committee”) of the Board of Regents (“Board”) of the Smithsonian Institution (“Smithsonian”) conducted a virtual meeting on Wednesday, March 23, 2022. Participating were Committee Chair Kathryn (“Katie”) Hall, Committee Vice Chair Roger Ferguson, and Committee members Steve Case, Henry Ellenbogen, Alice Handy, J. Tomilson (“Tom”) Hill, and David Rubenstein.

Participating Smithsonian staff included Chief of Staff to the Secretary Greg Bettwy,, Chief Investment Officer Amy Chen, Investment Director Jinwen Chen, Under Secretary for Administration Ron Cortez, Managing Director Ryan Dotson, Assistant General Counsel Danielle Fisher, Deputy Chief of Staff to the Board of Regents Kate Forester, Managing Director Michael Giovenco, Inspector General Cathy Helm, Deputy Secretary and Chief Operating Officer Meroe Park, Director of Investment Operations Allen Rumanyika, Managing Director Jeff Smith, and Assistant Secretary for Advancement Robert Spiller.

CALL TO ORDER AND REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Committee Chair Katie Hall called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. and reviewed the agenda. Ms. Hall also welcomed Under Secretary for Administration Ron Cortez to his first Investment Committee meeting since joining the Smithsonian Institution in December 2021.

APPROVAL OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the draft minutes of the October 6, 2021, Committee meeting were approved.

ANNUAL PORTFOLIO REVIEW

Chief Investment Officer Amy Chen reviewed the portfolio’s long-term relative and absolute performance, noting that the Endowment has outperformed its return objective of 5.5% real return over a market cycle. Ms. Chen also informed the Committee that the Endowment’s performance relative to the Cambridge All Endowment Universe ranks at the top decile relative to peers over the one-year, three-year, five-year, and ten-year periods.

Managing Director Michael Giovenco stated that the Endowment’s one-year return as of December 31, 2021, was 26.2% compared to the policy benchmark return of 19.8%. In addition, he noted that the Endowment outperformed its policy benchmark over three-year, five-year, and ten-year periods.

ASSET ALLOCATION AND RISK REVIEW

Portfolio Manager, Gino Reina, and Head of Strategy and Risk Scott Freemon at SECOR Asset Management, LP, presented the annual asset allocation and risk review.

PORTFOLIO IMPLEMENTATION

Ms. Chen reviewed portfolio changes, liquidity and manager diversity, equity and inclusion.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to consider the meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:31 p.m.