ST. PAUL TEACHERS' RETIREMENT FUND ASSOCIATION

Annual Report

for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020

St. Paul Teachers' Retirement Fund Association 1619 Dayton Avenue, Room 309 Saint Paul, Minnesota 55104-6206

Phone 651-642-2550 Fax 651-642-2553 www.sptrfa.org

Jill E. Schurtz Executive Director

Christine MacDonald
CFO / Deputy Director



Table of Contents

Introduction
Mission Statement4
SPTRFA Board of Trustees and Staff5
Transmittal Letter6
Independent Professional Service Providers
Organizational Chart9
Benefits
Pre-Retirement Topics
Retirement Topics
Post-Retirement Topics
Basic Plan Summary of Benefits
Coordinated Plan Summary of Benefits16
Retirement History Record
Investments
Investment Returns
Actuarial Section
Actuarial Certification Letter
Summary of Valuation Results24
Accounting Balance Sheet
Changes in Assets Available for Benefits
Actuarial Balance Sheet
UAAL and Supplemental Contribution Rate28
Changes in Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability29
Determination of Contribution Sufficiency30
Actuarial Methods & Assumptions
Appendix – State Auditor's Report

Mission

 ${f P}$ rovide our members and their beneficiaries with retirement, survivor, and disability benefits as specified in law and the Association Articles and Bylaws.

Assist our members in planning a secure retirement by providing friendly, high quality, consumer oriented service, pre-retirement education and information in a professional and cost effective manner.

Invest the assets of the fund to provide the optimum return while preserving principal by controlling portfolio risk.

SPTRFA Board of Trustees

President Mike McCollor Vice President Lori Borgeson W. Matt Bogenschultz Secretary Michael McKay Treasurer Ex-Officio Trustee Zuki Ellis John R. Kunz, Jr. Trustee Thomas Koreltz Trustee Karen A. Odegard Trustee Stephanie Pignato Trustee Margaret Schiller Trustee

SPTRFA Staff

Jill E. Schurtz

Christine MacDonald

Nancy Langer

Rachel Pastick

Janet Williams

Tamera Zielinski

Executive Director

CFO / Deputy Director

Member Services and Outreach

Communications and Member Services

Operations and Member Services

Administrative Assistant

St. Paul Teachers' Retirement Fund Association

TRUSTEES & OFFICERS

Zuki Ellis Thomas Koreltz John R. Kunz, Jr

Karen Odegard Stephanie Pignato Maggi Schiller Mike McCollor......President
Lori BorgesonVice President
W. Matthew Bogenschultz Secretary
Mike McKayTreasurer
Jill E. SchurtzExecutive Director

1619 Dayton Avenue, Room 309 Saint Paul, MN 55104-6206 Phone (651) 642-2550 Fax (651) 642-2553 Online: www.sptrfa.org

Letter of Transmittal

Members of the Association:

The trustees and staff of the St. Paul Teachers' Retirement Fund Association (SPTRFA) present the Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes § 356.20.

This report is intended to provide readers with sufficient information to make informed assessments about the organization's financial condition, fiscal activities, actuarial status, investment performance, and compliance with laws, regulations, bylaws and policies.

This is the complete Annual Report of the Association. This report is also available on the Fund's website at, www.sptrfa.org, or by request from the SPTRFA office.

Major sections included in this report and their content are as follows:

Introduction

Mission Statement, Board of Trustees, professional service relationships, and organizational structure.

Benefits

Summary information regarding Plan benefit options, calculation methods, and a history of annual retirements.

Investments

Fund investment returns and Fund investment advisors under contract with the Association.

Actuarial Valuation

Actuary's Certification Letter and various actuarial valuation sections that assess the Plan's long-term funded status and adequacy of revenues and describe relevant actuarial methods and assumptions.

Appendix A – State Auditor's Report

The Office of the State Auditor (OSA) audits the financial statements of the SPTRFA, and has issued an unmodified opinion on the accuracy and reliability of the information provided by the statements contained in this Report. An unmodified opinion is the most favorable level of opinion that can be rendered by the OSA. This report is available on the website of the Minnesota Office of the State Auditor, https://www.osa.state.mn.us/list.aspx?type=afs.

The SPTRFA Board and staff are responsible for the safekeeping of the Association's assets, the prudent investment of those assets, and for ensuring that benefits are calculated properly and paid timely. Administrative costs are budgeted at a level sufficient to service the needs of our members. We strive to be service providers of the first order and our administrative costs remain extremely efficient.

The Board and staff of the SPTRFA serve as fiduciaries on behalf of our members and their survivors and beneficiaries. We manage the assets entrusted to our care in concert with the Prudent Person Standard in Minn. Stat. § 356A.04, subd. 2, and as specified under Minn. Stat. § 356A.06, subd. 7.

With over 111 years of service to our members, the SPTRFA Board and staff remain committed to administering the affairs of the Association with the highest degree of diligence and efficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill E. Schurtz

Executive Director

Mike McCollor President Lori Borgeson Vice President

7 MM Clor Joni Bongson W. Met Boyand

W. Matt Bogenschultz Secretary Mike McKay Treasurer

Independent Professional Service Providers As of June 30, 2020

Actuary

Gabriel Roeder Smith & Company

Auditor

Minnesota Office of the State Auditor

Investment Managers

Barrow, Hanley, Mewhinney & Strauss, LLC
BlackRock Institutional Trust Co.
Brandywine Global Investment Management, LLC
Dimensional Fund Advisors, LP
Dune Real Estate Partners
EnTrust Global

Franklin Park Guggenheim Partners Investment Management, LLC

> JPMorgan Investment Management, Inc. Mellon Investments Corp

Morgan Stanley Investment Management, Inc.

North Sky Capital

Parametric Portfolio Associates, LLC

RWI Ventures I

Securian Asset Management, Inc.

Minnesota State Board of Investment

TCW Asset Management Co.

Tortoise Capital Advisors, LLC

UBS Realty Investors, LLC

Venture Investment Associates

Wellington Management Company, LLP

Investment Custodian

U.S. Bank

Investment Performance Consultant

Asset Consulting Group

IT Services

Sagitec

Corporate Technologies

Legal Counsel

Fox Rothschild, LLC Rice, Michels & Walther, LLP

Medical Advisors

Dr. Ronald Vessey M.D.

Dr. David Johnson M.D.

Organizational Chart

MEMBERS

ACTIVE RETIRED SURVIVORS BENEFICIARIES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Mike McCollor, President Lori Borgeson, Vice President W. Matt Bogenschultz, Secretary Michael McKay, Treasurer Zuki Ellis, Ex-Officio Trustee John R. Kunz, Jr., Trustee Thomas Koreltz, Trustee Karen A. Odegard, Trustee Stephanie Pignato, Trustee Margaret Schiller, Trustee

ADMINISTRATION

Jill E. Schurtz, Executive Director Christine MacDonald, CFO / Deputy Director Nancy Langer, Member Services and Outreach Rachel Pastick, Communications and Member Services Janet Williams, Operations and Member Services Tamera Zielinski, Administrative Assistant

BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

Member Services
Records Management
Member Counseling
Benefit Payments &
Reporting

OPERATIONS & FINANCE

Accounting / Reporting
Budget Administration
Business Administration
Investment Mgmt. & Reporting
Information Systems
Publications
Office Payroll & Benefits

PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL SERVICES

Actuary
Investment Managers
Investment Custodian
Investment Consultant
IT Services

IT Services
Legal Counsel
Medical Advisors

GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Minnesota State Auditor

Legislative Commission on Pensions & Retirement

Minnesota Department of Management and Budget

Minnesota Department of Revenue

Minnesota Campaign Finance & Public Disclosure Board

U.S. Department of Treasury

This page is intentionally left blank.