RETIREE BENEFIT TRUST OF ST. MARYS COUNTY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING May 18, 2012

Members Present: John Savich, Chair

Susan Sabo, Human Resources Director Etaine M. Kramer, Chief Financial Officer

Larry Jarboe, Commissioner

Mary Ann Murray, Community Representative

Others Present:

Jeannett Cudmore, Plan Administrator Joe Chadwick, Asset Strategy Consultants Ed Boyer, Asset Strategy Consultants Kathleen Rief, Library Jackie Mieser, METCOM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at approximately 9:06 a.m.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Agenda was accepted by all members present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Susan Sabo made a motion, seconded by all with one abstained, to approve the minutes from February 17, 2012. Motion Carried.

ASSET STRATEGY- OVERVIEW

- -Reviewed the article "Too much risk, not enough reward", in The Economist March 17, 2012 edition, Asset Strategy agrees with the article that they, as is everybody, are concerned with the global economy and the issues we face. Continue to stay diversified and move cash from MLGIP at the same pace, \$1,000,000/month.
- -Reviewed Quarter Ending March 31, 2012 total fund \$35,098,385.

(MLGIP \$3,475,190, Schwab \$31,070,654 & \$552,541 Permal Private Equity)

- -Reviewed the Quarterly Portfolio by page with and more detail with new "Commissioner" member.
- -Discussed selection of another Domestic REIT, Chesapeake Investments IV, LP, Alex Brown. This would increase the number of managers to three, with 1/3 for each.

Susan Sabo made a motion, seconded by Elaine Kramer, to invest \$1 million with Chesapeake Investments IV, LP. Motion Carried.

PLAN ADMINISTRATOR

- -Continued discussion from last meeting regarding the Pooling of the County's OPEB Trust with the Library and METCOM. After talking with attorney from Whiteford, Taylor & Preston, LLP, recommendation is to not Pool the three trusts into a Master Trust, because this could be a taxable event. If the County were to obtain a private letter ruling from the IRS, the Pooling may be okay; cost could be up to \$10,000. She recommends to have the other two Boards participate in investment decisions made by the County's Board and to maintain separate trusts by the other Boards. The Library and METCOM Boards would join in the decisions made by the County's Board, the dominate trust and the three trusts would remain separate, no master trust needed. More discussion at next meeting after the Library and METCOM representatives discuss with their Boards. Asset Strategy will submit a proposal for the other Boards to review on how this will work regarding investments and Schwab Accounts.
- -Reviewed other transactions, renewal of liability insurance and payment of invoices.
- -Chair signed the minutes of Approved Minutes of November 10, 2011.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 10:37 am.

Respectfully submitted,

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Jeannett Cudmore
Plan Administrator

Acting Chair