



**CFA SOCIETY OF CHICAGO
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 15, 2006**

I. WELCOME

President Mark Hutchinson called the meeting to order at 7:30am and welcomed the members to the Annual Business Meeting of the CFA Society of Chicago. Mr. Hutchinson acknowledged staff (Jill Epstein, CEO and Shantal Alonso, Director of Programs and Member Relations). Mr. Hutchinson introduced the current Board members and Officers in attendance (Michael Lindh, EVP; Arch King, Secretary/Treasurer; David Frank, VP, Judi Rossetti, VP; Leo Harmon, Director and Jon Denfeld, Director). He also acknowledged Board and Officer nominees in attendance (Joe Knecht, Chris Vincent, and Monica Walker).

II. FINANCIAL UPDATE

Secretary/Treasurer Arch King reported that the first Society Annual Report was published in this Fall with 2004-2005 figures. The Annual Report is posted on the CFA Chicago website and the link was sent to all members when the report was posted.

The 2005-2006 financials are healthy and the Society is close to reaching the target for reserves. The strong financial position reflects the Society's ability to support extensive programming and services for members. Mr. King noted that the Board voted to keep dues at the same level (\$150 per year) for 2006-2007 – marking the 4th consecutive year without a dues increase.

III. PROPOSEDBYLAWS AMENDMENTS

Secretary/Treasurer Arch King presented the members with the 3 proposed bylaw amendments.

Membership, Article II, Section 8 – Minimum Requirements for Retired Members

Currently, CFA Chicago requires a "retired member" to be a person who is a Charterholder, Regular, or Affiliate Member of the Society and is at least 55 years of age, is no longer in active practice on a salary or fee basis and adheres to all the rules and regulations of the Society.

CFAI and other large societies do not use age as part of their definition of "retired". CFAI and other societies welcome individuals who are no longer in the profession (for whatever reason) but would like to maintain their membership at a reduced rate.

Proposed language:

ARTICLE II, SECTION 8

Minimum Requirements for Retired Membership. The term "Retired Member" shall be defined as a person who has been a Charterholder, Regular or Affiliate Member of the Society for at least five years and is no longer engaged in professional activities in the investment decision-

making process on a salary or fee basis and adheres to all the rules and regulations of the Society.

Membership, Article II, Section 11(a) – Regulations Regarding Student Membership

This student membership category was approved in 2005 by the membership. It has since been suggested that students be given the option to have a professor of finance, economics or business OR a Charterholder member of CFA Chicago authorize the application. This is way to connect students to Charterholders.

Proposed language:

ARTICLE II, SECTION 11(a)

Regulations Regarding Student Membership. Regulations regarding Student Members are as follows:

a) Student Members must have a professor of finance, economics or business or a CFA Society of Chicago Charterholder Member sign the student’s application.

Officers, Article IV, Section 4 – Vice President – Operations/Secretary-Treasurer

The Society aims to be responsible on a financial basis and have the flexibility to conduct an annual audit or review. Current language calls for an annual review and proposed language allows for audit or review, but mandates an audit at least once every five years. In practice, the Board is planning to conduct an audit every year.

Proposed Language

ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4

Vice President – Operations/Secretary-Treasurer.

The Vice President – Operations/Secretary-Treasurer shall render a full and complete report of the financial condition of the Society to the Directors at a meeting of the Board of Directors following completion of the annual audit or review. An annual audit must occur at least once every five years.

IV. BYLAW VOTE

A motion to approve these amendments was approved.

V. OFFICER/DIRECTOR SLATE

Secretary/Treasurer Arch King presented the slate as proposed by the Nominating Committee. No opposing slate was presented by 25 members.

VI. OFFICER/DIRECTOR SLATE VOTE

A motion to approve the 2006-2007 slate, as presented, was approved.

VII. STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

EVP Michael Lindh reviewed the strategic objectives that were approved by the Board on May 31:

- Recognizing the evolution of emerging trends in the investment industry, CFA Society of Chicago will target programming content to reflect changes in the membership and in the industry. Mr. Lindh noted that the society currently has more than 3200 members engaged in a diverse set of activities

and career paths and the Society will continue to emphasize programs to meet these diverse needs.

- Recognizing the need to develop future leaders and encourage talented investment professionals to stay in Chicago, CFA Society of Chicago will work to increase the membership of non-CFA Charterholders, primarily candidates and students. Mr. Lindh noted that outreach to candidates has been in place for 2 years and the student membership initiative will launch this year.

VIII. CONCLUSION

President Mark Hutchinson concluded that he was excited by the material changes and improvements he has seen during his term. He noted that Ms. Epstein has helped the Society move to a self-managed model and this will allow the Society to provide enhanced service to members. Mr. Hutchinson noted that he has been honored to serve the Society.

IX. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55am.