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Investment Policy

Investment funds designated for investment purposes will be handled in a manner consistent with maximizing achievements of the objectives of Association. The Treasurer, guided by the Board of Directors of the Association, the Financial Investment Committee (not to exceed three members), acting in consultation with the Executive Director, is responsible for such investments. In fulfilling these responsibilities, the Treasurer is to use the investment policy set forth herein.

I. The funds designated for investments are to be invested with due consideration to the Association’s need to maintain liquidity and preserve capital, as well as its desire to earn a reasonable rate of return on investments. Should a legitimate conflict appear to exist in satisfying these needs and desires, then maintaining liquidity and the preservation of capital will take precedence over the desire to earn a return on the invested funds.

II. At some future date (to be set by the Board and Financial Investment Committee with guidance by the Treasurer), an objective will be established to maintain liquidity of invested funds equal to 6 months of the current operating budget of the Association in cash or equivalents, such as a money market funds or simple savings accounts with a financial institutions. Any funds available to the Association above this amount (FAI, “Funds Available for Investment”) may be invested in long term vehicles set forth in the following paragraph, so long as such funds are consistent with the preservation of capital and do not subject the Association to undue risk of loss of principle.

III. The Funds Available for Investment are to be invested with an objective of maintaining no less than 65% of such funds in relatively “risk free” securities with the U.S. Government, such as U.S. Treasury Notes, and no more than 50% of these funds in other securities (OS, “Other Securities”) deemed appropriate by the Treasurer. Other Securities may include equity securities of corporations (for example: common or preferred stock), debt securities of corporations (for example: commercial paper or bonds), mutual funds, money market funds, or securities of government units.

IV. To the extent that investments are made in equity or debt securities of corporations, such securities must be actively traded on one or all-major U.S. Exchanges. To the extent that investments are made in mutual funds, such funds must be nationally recognized and monitored by a governmental body, and actively traded.

V. If, due to market movements or unforeseen circumstances, the percentage of funds invested in Other Securities exceeds 050% of the Funds Available for Investment and such excess is considered likely to continue, the Treasurer will inform the Executive Board, Financial Investment Committee, and Executive Director of the situation causing such excess with a recommendation for action as deemed appropriate at that time. (This trend must continue for at least 60 days for this action to occur.)

VI. Under no circumstances may funds of the Association be invested directly in options, futures, commodities, foreign currencies, instruments commonly known as financial derivatives, securities of foreign governmental units or corporation or mutual funds that invest primarily in such investment instruments of securities without the prior notification and approval of the Executive Board, Financial Investment Committee, and Executive Director.

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