

## **Regular Meeting**

Item Number 7f – Open Session

Subject: Approval of Draft Board Operative Principles

Presenter(s): Chairperson

Item Type: Consent Action

**Date & Time**: July 8, 2022 – 0 minutes

**Attachment(s)**: Attachment 1 – Draft CalSTRS Board Operative Principles

PowerPoint(s): None

## **PURPOSE**

To adopt the draft board operative principles as presented.

## **DISCUSSION/SUMMARY**

At the request of the board, the Board Governance Committee (Committee) is leading an initiative to identify ways to continually improve transparency, effectiveness, and efficiency in board operations. At its May 2022 meeting, the Committee adopted draft operative principles that codified how the CalSTRS Board and its committees prefer to undertake their business. This was a major step in developing feasible options related to the board's meeting format and materials in post-pandemic circumstances. It reflected the culmination of a comprehensive process that included a CalSTRS board member survey and Committee discussion and deliberation.

The Committee is a non-delegated committee; therefore, the draft operative principles are now ready for adoption by the Board.

Mosaic and Committee staff are recommending that the approved operative principles become part of Section 1 of the *Board Governance Manual*. Section 1 houses the CalSTRS mission statement and core values.

Additional placement ideas are also under consideration by staff so the principles can serve as a visible source of reflection and guidance to board members. This could include printouts in strategic locations and use within the Board's annual self-evaluation.

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## RECOMMENDATION

Mosaic and staff recommend that the board adopt the operative principles as presented (Attachment 1).