

# CalPERS meeting – June 12, 2014

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Willy Duncan, John Didion, Susan Bray, and Michelle Underwood met with several representatives from CalPERS, including Scot Blackledge and Danny Brown from the Government Relations department and several staff members who handle member elections.

ACCCA shared a history of the divergence of the K-12 and community college systems and the structure that has been in place since to determine whether an administrator is doing work that would be deemed creditable to CalSTRS. Also discussed were recent events, including the CCSF audit and corresponding employer circular, that have brought administrators to seek a remedy to allow CalSTRS members to be held harmless.

CalPERS representatives were familiar with the problem, and asked questions about the sought-after solution. The group seems amenable to a grandfathering solution, and raised items that would need further development for the solution, including:

- Would a grandfathered CalSTRS members be able to retain their membership if they changed jobs or colleges?
- Would affected administrators be given the choice to stay in CalSTRS or move to CalPERS? What information would be needed so they could make a fully informed choice?

All parties agreed that clarity is needed in this area of who does and does not qualify for membership in CalSTRS, and ACCCA reiterated its position that these clarifications should be made prospectively and not negatively affect administrators who were placed into CalSTRS before clarification was provided. Administrators will adjust as needed going forward, but should not be harmed for good-faith, past practices.

## **Follow Ups**

CalPERS will receive a copy of the formal request to hold audits.

A meeting of interested parties, including CalPERS, CalSTRS, administrator organizations, and legislative staff, will be planned