Oklahoma Senate Committee on Appropriations

2015 – 16 Performance Report

Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System

Agency Mission Statement

The OLERS mission is to administer retirement/survivor retirement and medical benefits for members of the law enforcement profession of the state of Oklahoma and their families under Title 47 of the Oklahoma Statutes. This program provides retirement income after active employment and in the event of disability or death.

In carrying out its mission, the OLERS will pay benefits to the qualified participant, in the correct amount, in a timely manner and safeguard our clients' trust funds. The OLERS will treat every person who comes into contact with courtesy and concern, and respond to all inquires promptly, accurately and clearly.

Lead Administrator

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Governance

The Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System's Board is composed of the Commission of Public Safety or his designee, The Director of State Finance, or his designee, three (3) members to be appointed by the Governor one of whom shall be a retired member of the System, one (1) member to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, one (1) member to be appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, two (2) members of the Highway Patrol Division, and one (1) member of the Communications Section of the Oklahoma Highway Patrol, one (1) member of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation, one (1) member of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control and one (1) of the Oklahoma Alcoholic Beverage Laws Enforcement Commission, elected by and from the membership of the System.

Governance Accountability

The Board meets the third Thursday of every month to conduct business. There is no attendance policy for Board Members.

Modernization Efforts

We are in the process of upgrading our servers in our IT room. We anticipate having a paperless office when the servers are upgraded. We have a contract in place to begin this process. We have a benefit estimator on our website which we are looking to update and increase the options that participants can choose. Our long term goal is to have a new database system written that will be interactive with our website so the participants can access more of their information without changing it.