



ILLINOIS POLICE OFFICERS' PENSION INVESTMENT FUND

MEMORANDUM

TO: IPOPIF BOARD OF TRUSTEES
FROM: RICHARD WHITE, IPOPIF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
RE: 2026 BOARD OF TRUSTEE ELECTION – END OF NOMINATION FILING PERIOD
DATE: MAY 11, 2026

This election for trustee seats was initiated by the Board of Trustees in accordance with the pension code and Fund policy at the March 20, 2026, meeting. The first step in the trustee election process is the nomination of candidates which opened on April 6, 2026, and closed on May 8, 2026.

To qualify as a candidate, the nominee is required to submit the required number of signatures – which varies according to the seat – on designated petition forms that, in addition to the required number of signatures, must include the petition circulator's name, original signature and notary public stamp and seal. The IPOPIF Executive Director is responsible for reviewing the petitions and to qualify the candidates.

The following nomination petitions were submitted to the IPOPIF and qualified for the trustee election:

- i. MUNICIPAL MEMBER TRUSTEE (1 SEAT)**
 - Philip J. Suess, Mayor, City of Wheaton. *[Incumbent]*

- ii. BENEFICIARY MEMBER TRUSTEE (1 SEAT)**
 - Daniel Hopkins, Collinsville, Retired *[Incumbent]*
 - Matthew E. Williams, Rockford, Retired

- iii. ACTIVE MEMBER TRUSTEE (2 SEATS)**
 - Lee Catavu, Sergeant, Aurora Police Department *[Incumbent]*
 - Scott Ligon, Lieutenant, Springfield Police Department



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Subsequent to the qualification of candidates, the Election Policy provides for a period where the candidate petitions are available for review and a period where the nomination(s) can be challenged.

Any challenges to the nomination process are due by 4:30 PM (Central Time) on May 14, 2026.

Additional information will be provided after this date.

Please contact Executive Director White (rwhite@ipopif.org) with any questions.

Cc: Listed candidates

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