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POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF KANSAS CITY and CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF KANSAS CITY
INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, August 13, 2026

Steve Miller called the meeting to order.

PRESENT:

Steve Miller, Chair	Jason Hoy, Staff
Wayne Stewart, Member	Ryan Sullivan, RVK
Nate Simecek, Member	
Cheryl Rose, Member	
James Manley, Member	

ARES PATHFINDER CORE FUND UPDATE

Representatives from Ares Management provided the Committee with an update on the Ares Pathfinder Core Fund and reviewed the broader Ares Alternative Credit platform. Ares discussed the growth and scale of its credit business and the resources supporting the strategy, including its origination, research, investment management, and asset management capabilities.

Ares reviewed Pathfinder Core's asset-focused approach to alternative credit, which seeks opportunities across diversified pools of loans, leases, receivables, royalties, and other contractual cash-flow-producing assets. The presentation highlighted opportunities across areas such as specialty finance, equipment and transportation, infrastructure, media and intellectual property, and other asset-based investments. Ares explained that the strategy is designed to be flexible across sectors, allowing the portfolio to emphasize areas where the investment team believes relative value and downside protection are most attractive.

Ares also discussed its emphasis on downside protection and structuring investments with a margin of safety. Unlike traditional private equity or corporate credit investments that may rely more heavily on a future realization or refinancing event, Ares noted that many alternative credit investments generate front-loaded contractual cash flows from diversified pools of underlying assets. The Committee discussed how these characteristics can provide diversification from traditional corporate credit exposure and help mitigate individual borrower or company risk.

The presentation also addressed current portfolio positioning and Ares' relative value approach to asset-based finance. Ares noted that Pathfinder Core's exposure can differ meaningfully from a more traditional asset-based finance portfolio as the team adjusts allocations based on its assessment of risk and opportunity. For example, the presentation showed relatively limited consumer exposure compared with a typical asset-based finance portfolio, reflecting Ares' current assessment of relative value in that sector.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS
Time was made for public comments.

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ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled IC meeting is on September 10, 2026, at the Greater Public Safety Credit Union.