To: **Columbus Retirement Fund Members**

ANNOUNCEMENT: TRUSTEE ELECTIONS

The Columbus Retirement Fund elects Trustees (also referred to as Board Members) every three years. The 2021 elections must be completed by 30 July 2021. Your participation is important to ensure that a representative Board of Trustees oversees your retirement benefits.

Columbus appoints four and Members elect four Board Members. The two nominees with the next highest number of votes are appointed as the Alternate Board Members and the employer also appoints one Alternate Board Member. The Alternates act when a Board Member is temporarily unable to perform their role and will also replace resigning Board Members.

This announcement and the attached *Columbus Retirement Fund Trustee Election Information Page* explain the election process, and the election timetable. Please also find attached, a nomination form for the first phase of the elections.

We will again make electronic voting available during the 2021 elections and encourage you to use this option. More details will be shared closer to the election date.

The serving Member-Elected Board Members and their Alternates are:

Trustees (Board Members)	Available for re-election?	Alternate Trustees (Alternate Board Members)	Available for re-election?
Mr. FM (Miguel) Freire	Yes	Ms. SD (Sharon) Muller	Yes
Ms. C (Charmain) Kritzinger	No	Mr. JJ (Jubee) Tharakan	Yes
Mr. AR (Alec) Russell	Yes		
Mr. JP (Johan) Van Der Walt	Yes		

The Employer also indicated that the following individuals will be appointed to the Board and they are therefore not available for election.

Mr. B (Bernard) Botha	Employer-Appointed Board Member
Mr. LD (Bertus) Griesel	Employer-Appointed Board Member
Mr. FJ (Jo) Mabhena	Employer-Appointed Board Member
Mr. JL (Johan) Strydom	Employer-Appointed Board Member and Chairperson
Mr. M (Mzi) Siyaya	Alternate Employer-Appointed Board Member

Should you require any further information please contact us at yourfund@columbus.co.za.

Regards,

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PRINCIPAL OFFICER