CII Elects New Board, Names Michael McCauley Chair

Washington, D.C., March 31, 2015 — The Council of Institutional Investors (CII) today elected a new Board of Directors and named Michael McCauley, senior officer of investment programs and governance at the Florida State Board of Administration, as board chair.

McCauley, who had been co-chair, succeeds Jay Chaudhuri, general counsel and senior advisor to the state treasurer of North Carolina. In keeping with CII’s bylaws, McCauley was elected chair by CII’s public pension fund members.

CII is a nonprofit, nonpartisan association of pension funds and endowments and a leading voice for effective corporate governance and strong shareowner rights. CII members collectively have more than $3 trillion in assets under management.

CII members also elected other officers. The three co-chairs are: Dave Donlin, assistant general counsel, Target; Meredith Miller, chief corporate governance officer, UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust; and Theresa Whitmarsh, executive director, Washington State Investment Board. Gail Stone,* executive director, Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, is board treasurer. John Abraham,* co-director, Center for Workers’ Benefits and Capital Strategies Research and Strategic Initiatives Department, American Federation of Teachers, is board secretary.

The other members of the CII board for 2015-16 are:

Vonda Brunsting,* director, Capital Stewardship Program, Service Employees International Union
Carol Nolan Drake, chief external affairs officer, Ohio Public Employees Retirement System
Trevor Gunderson, vice president and deputy general counsel, General Mills
Aeisha Mastagni,* investment officer, California State Teachers’ Retirement System
Gianna McCarthy, director of corporate governance, New York State Common Retirement Fund
Jennifer O’Dell, assistant director, LIUNA Staff and Affiliates Pension Fund
TerriJo Saarela,* director of corporate governance, State of Wisconsin Investment Board
Anne Simpson, senior portfolio officer, California Public Employees’ Retirement System
Gregory Smith, executive director, Colorado Public Employees Retirement System

* new board members