

TAKE STOCK IN CHILDREN MANATEE STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY

PURPOSE

This investment policy describes the long term investment objectives of Take Stock in Children Manatee (TSIC); establishes investment principles for the TSIC assets and creates guidelines for investment decisions.

STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT OBJECTIVES

The three primary investment objectives are:

1. To preserve the equity and working capital of the TSIC.
2. To provide reasonable earnings and returns to be retained in such a way to mitigate or partially mitigate inflation.
3. To provide reasonable liquidity as determined annually by the **TSIC Board of Directors, or its designee Committee.**

SPENDING

It is not the objective to provide investment earnings to fund the annual operating budget. It is envisioned that any invasion of the equity of the TSIC be for significant non-recurring issues approved by the Board.

THE PRUDENT PERSON RULE

In making investment decisions and in supervising and managing assets, the person (or persons) with investment responsibility for the TSIC should act with care, skill, **prudence** and diligence under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiar with these matters would use in the conduct of an enterprise of like character and like aims.

INVESTMENTS

In selecting investments, consideration will be given to the requirements for safety of principal, yield, maturity, spending for approved significant purposes, and the quality and capability of investment managers.

ASSET ALLOCATION AND REBALANCING

TSIC's asset allocation guidelines will be consistent with its investment objectives and risk tolerance. These guidelines are designed to provide the highest probability of meeting or exceeding TSIC's return objectives with the lowest possible risk.

TSIC will rebalance its portfolio of investments periodically.

REVIEW AND MONITOR INVESTMENTS

Periodic reviews of the investments will be conducted and be done at least annually. Among other things, such reviews will evaluate:

- The general conditions and trends prevailing in the economy, securities market, and mutual fund industry.
- Whether each investment remains consistent with TSIC's overall investment objectives.
- Whether the investments are adequately diversified.
- A comparison of the investment results with established indexes or benchmarks over a series of different time horizons.
- The fee structure and expense ratio of selected investments as compared with other alternatives available in the marketplace.
- The experience and qualifications of the personnel providing the investment management services, if applicable.