Objectives

Financial Objectives:
• Support a stream of regular distributions in support of annual budgetary needs; and
• Preserve the real (inflation-adjusted) purchasing power of the Endowment Fund net of regular distributions

Investment Objectives:
• Target a real annualized total return, net of investment expenses, over a five to seven year horizon, that aligns with financial objectives;
• Outperform the Endowment Fund’s benchmark consistent with volatility targets; and
• Adhere to the Social Witness Principles of the General Assembly of the PC(USA)

Commentary

Current Quarter
• For the quarter, the program returned +11.4% vs. the PCF Historical benchmark of +12.3% as higher allocations to risk assets detracted from relative returns. U.S. Equities were up +22.7% in Q2 and +7.1% in the trailing year.
• Clean Energy performed very well, up +31.7% during this quarter.
• Real Assets were up +13.4% in Q2, recovering half of the losses from Q1.
• Fixed Income program was up +4.1% for the quarter, performing its function as a protector of capital.
• Lagged Private Equity valuations detracted from returns as Q1 2020 marks lowered asset values. The liquid portion of the portfolio (82.3%) was up +15.0% in Q2 vs. +13.8% for the liquid benchmark.

Tactical Themes
• Allocations have reverted backed towards long-term target, which will be maintained at present as uncertainty remains high and overall market risk has risen.
• Current positioning will focus on U.S. based and developed market assets as well as select real assets to manage risk and capture returns.
• Core fixed income and cash have been increased as equity markets have rallied to capture the markets recovery and lower overall program risk.
• New Private Equity commitments will slow in support of program liquidity as markets react to the economic ramifications of the pandemic.

Actual vs. Target Allocation

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