

# **Legislative Finance Committee**

Wednesday, April 13, 2016

## **ERB FY16 Q2 Investment Update**

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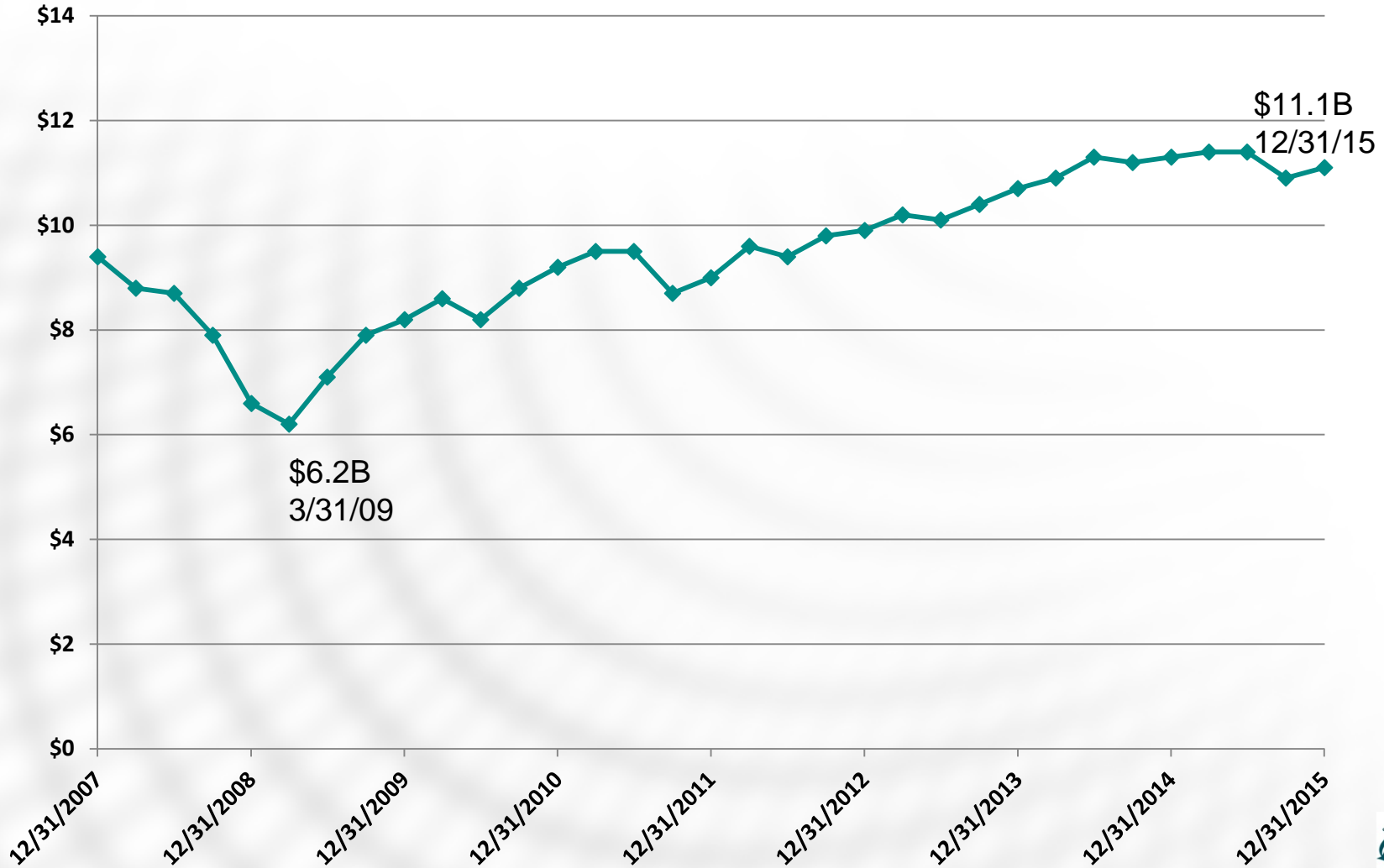
$$C+I=B+E$$

- C=Contributions from employees and employers
- I=Investment Returns
- B=Benefits payments
- E=Expenses of the Fund

# Recent Investment Results

- Investment earnings for the calendar year ending December 31<sup>st</sup> were approximately \$167 million, a return of 1.4%, net of investment management fees.
- Portfolio returns fell short of actuarial targets in most time periods measured.
- Actual returns exceeded policy index in all periods measured.
- The value of the fund was \$11.1 billion at calendar year end.

# Quarterly ERB Assets: Dec. 2007- Dec. 2015

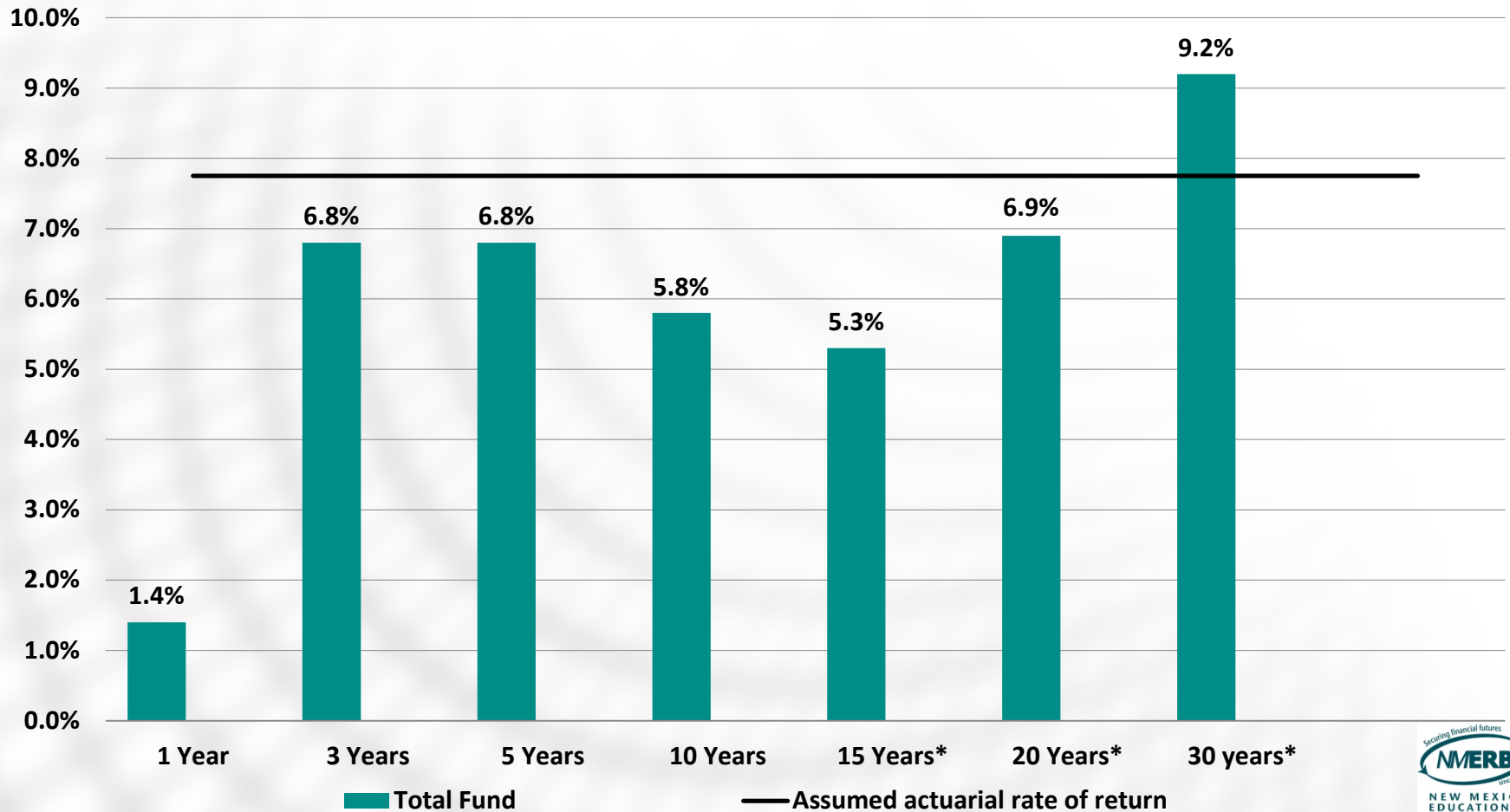


# December 31, 2015 Investment Returns

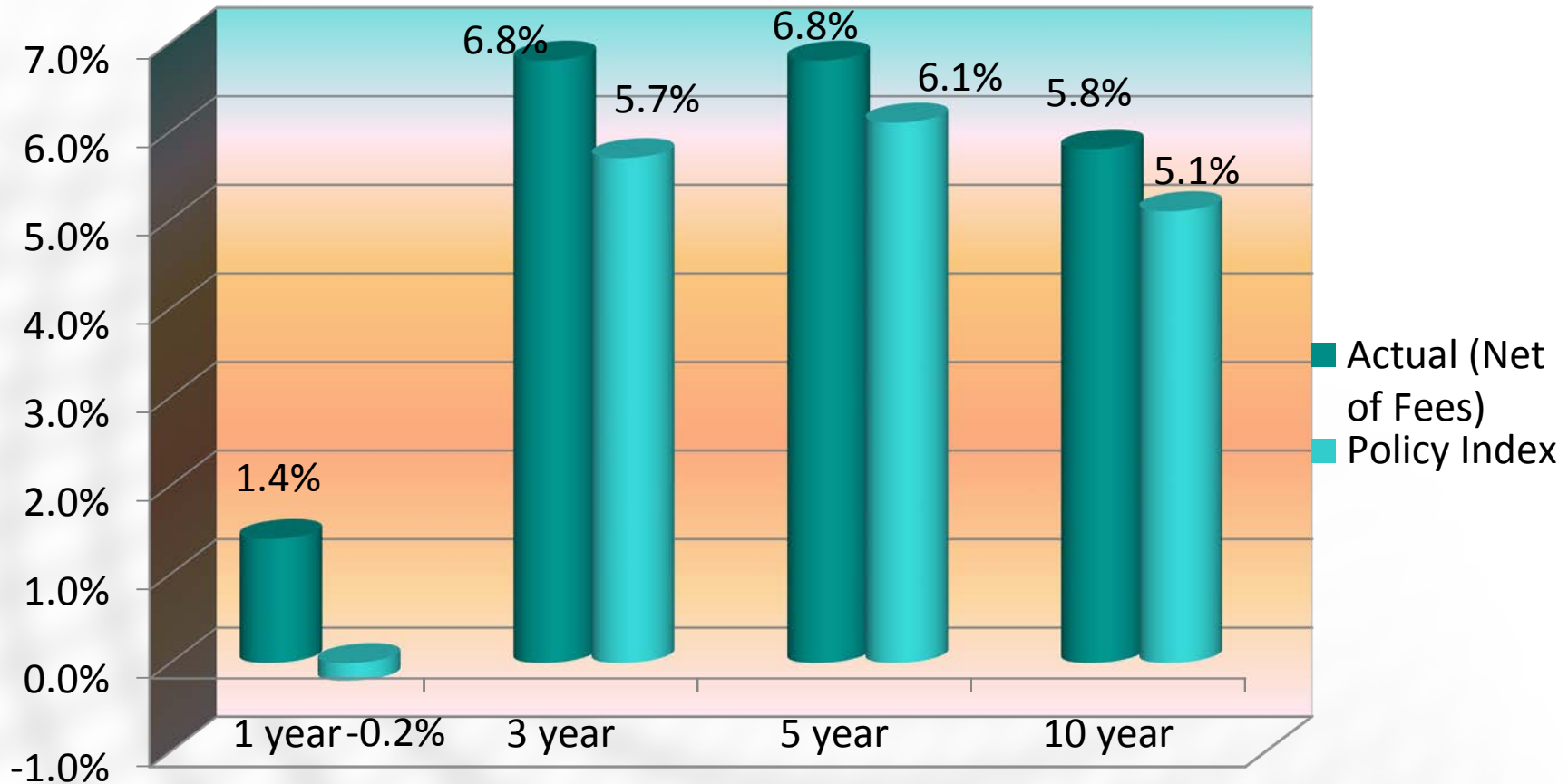
<u>Returns</u>	<u>1 Year</u>	<u>3 Years</u>	<u>5 Years</u>	<u>10 Years</u>	<u>15 Years</u>	<u>20 Years</u>	<u>30 Years</u>
Gross of Fees	1.5%	7.0%	7.0%	6.1%	5.3%	6.9%	9.2%
Net of Fees	1.4%	6.8%	6.8%	5.8%	N/A	N/A	N/A

# Return vs. 7.75% Target

**NMERB Annualized Returns  
As of December 31, 2015  
Net of Fees Except Where Noted\***



# Actual vs. Policy – Periods Ending December 31, 2015



# Volatility – Why Do We Care?

Volatility has a negative effect on portfolio returns

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Cumulative
Portfolio #1	8%	8%	8%	8%	8%	46.9%
Portfolio #2	12%	-5%	15%	10%	8%	45.4%
Portfolio #3	20%	-10%	5%	30%	-5%	40.0%

-Each of these portfolios has an average (arithmetic) return of 8%.

-However, different results are derived from each portfolio when we link the returns over a time series

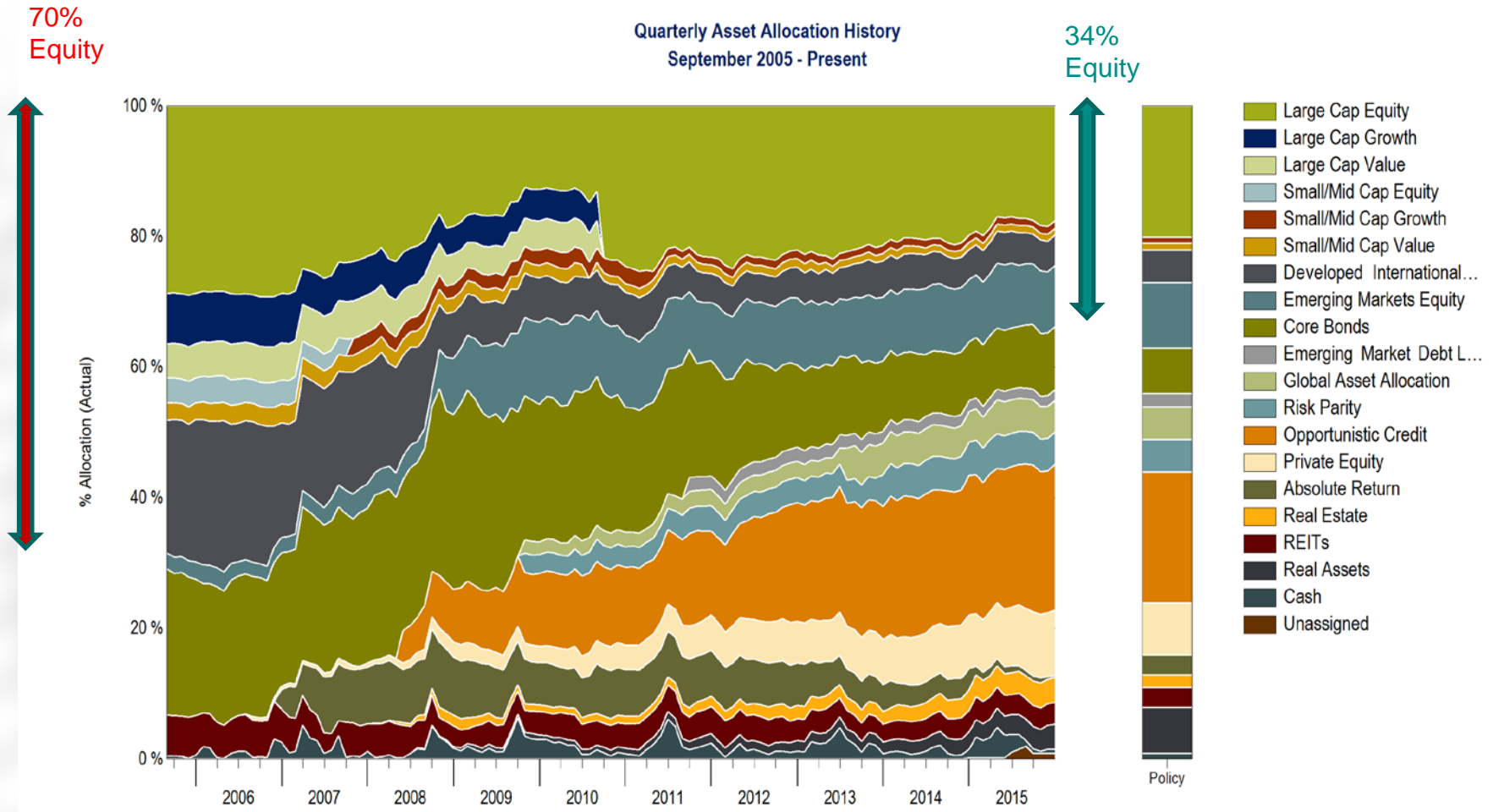
Portfolio #1: Cumulative Return = 46.9%; Annualized Return = 8.0%; Standard Deviation = 0.0%

Portfolio #2: Cumulative Return = 45.4%; Annualized Return = 7.8%; Standard Deviation = 8.0%

Portfolio #3: Cumulative Return = 40.0%; Annualized Return = 7.0%; Standard Deviation = 17.0%



# Asset Allocation History

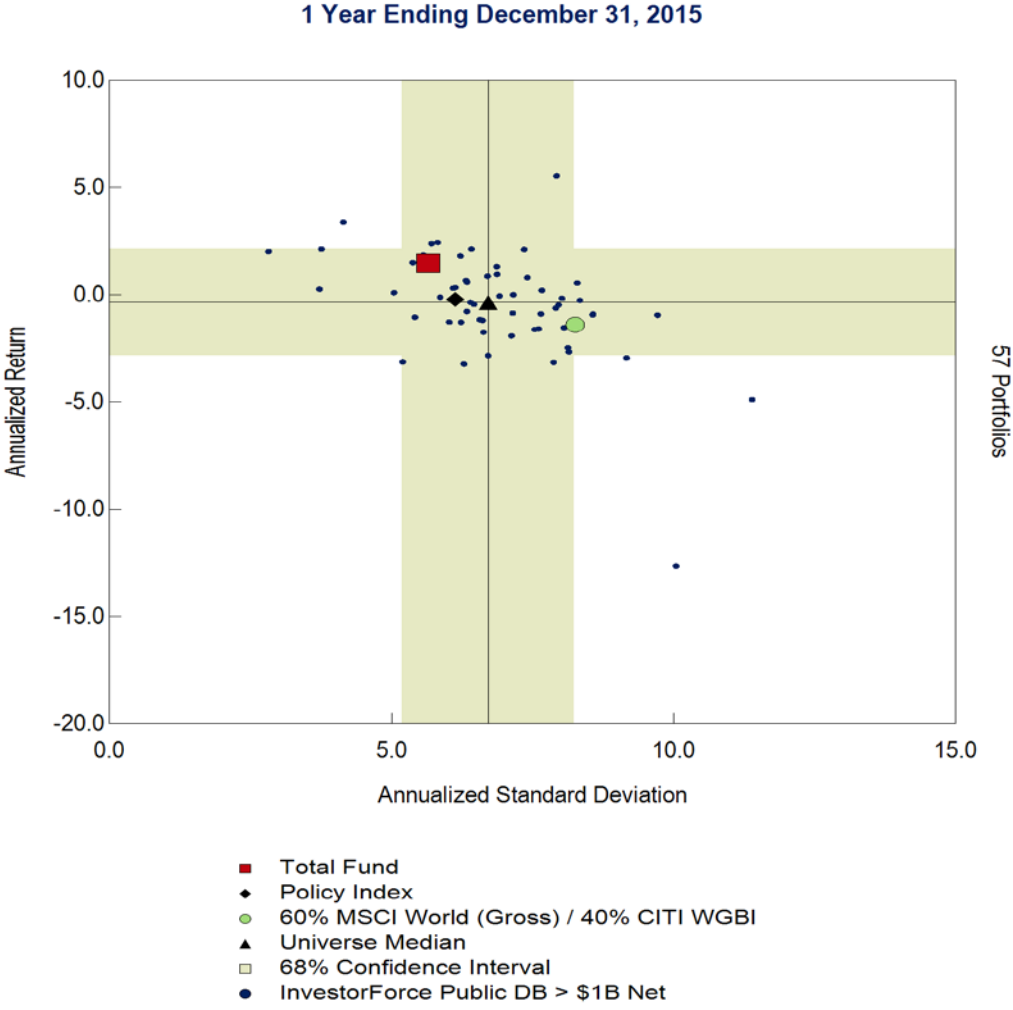


# Results- The Asset Allocation “Stew”

## 5 Year Risk/Return Profile

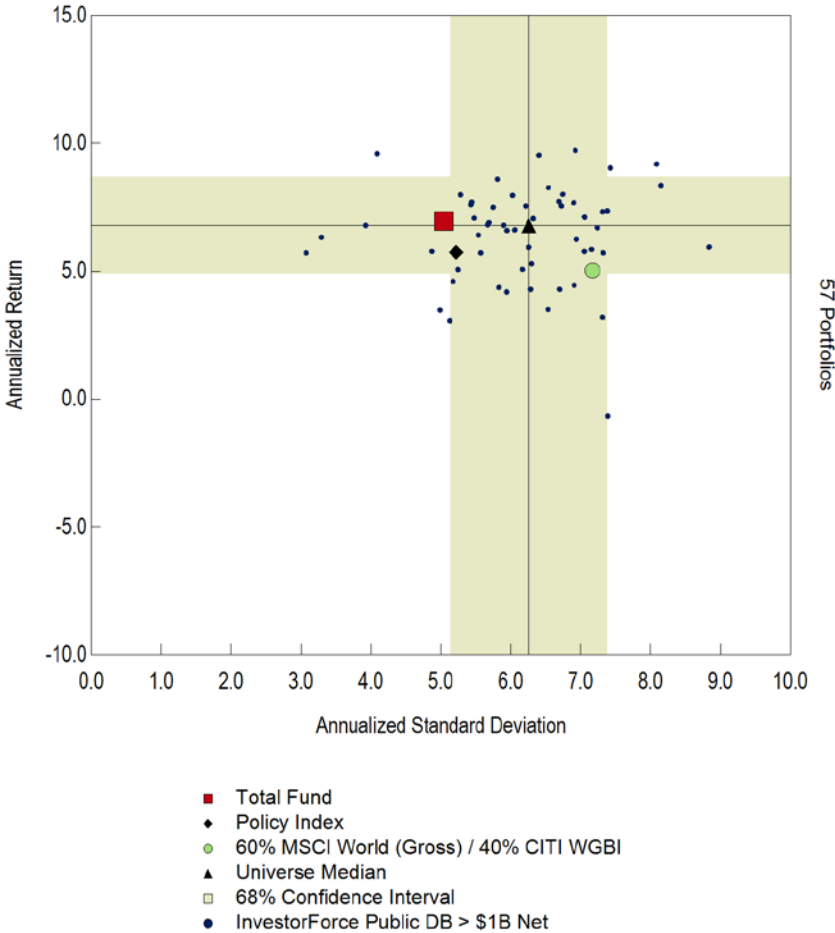


# Risk Adjusted Returns – Efficient Use of Risk



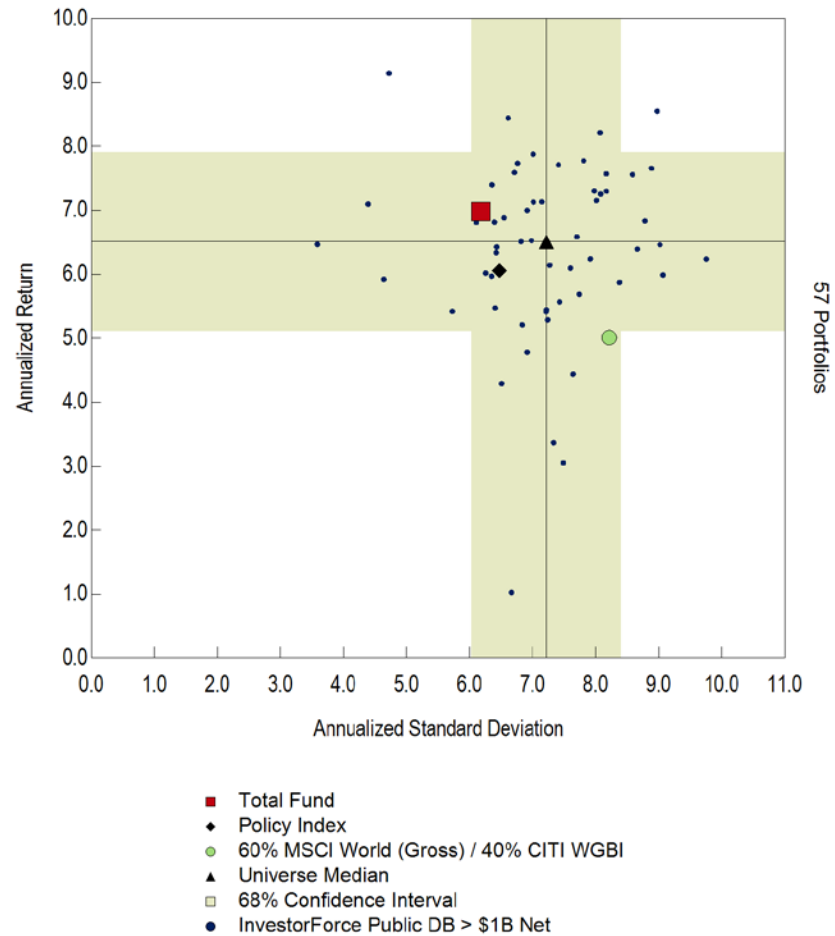
# Risk Adjusted Return – Three Years

3 Years Ending December 31, 2015



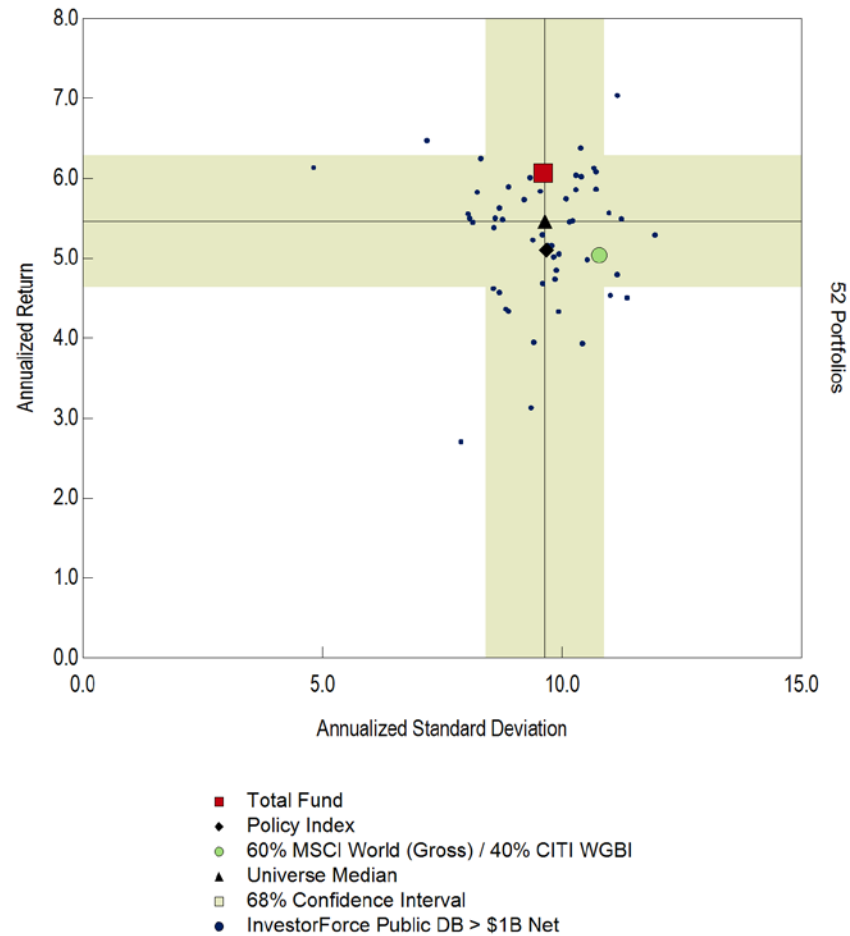
# Risk Adjusted Returns – Five Years

5 Years Ending December 31, 2015



# Risk Adjusted Returns – Ten Years

10 Years Ending December 31, 2015



# Outlook for FY16 in Total

- We are in a period of historical uncertainty. The current scope of central bank experiments – a protracted period of QE, ZIRP, NIRP, etc. is unprecedented. We know that we don't know all of the implications.
- FYTD returns estimated to be about 0% (with a margin of error of plus or minus 1%) through March 31<sup>st</sup>, but we don't know what the results of the remaining quarter will be. It is possible but unlikely that we achieve our actuarial target of 7.75%.
- “We cannot direct the wind, but we can adjust the sails.” We can't force markets to produce returns. We don't know what future market returns will be but we can position portfolio exposures based on our view of risks for the current and expected conditions.