

February Meeting

At a meeting of the Advisory Committee on Socially Responsible Investing, held on February 11th 2014 in the Trustees Room of Low Library, the following members participated:

Ursula Bollini
Justin Nathaniel Carter
Alessandra Giannini
Georgia Levenson Keohane
Eric LeSueur
Shearwood McClelland

Jack McGourty (Chair)
Sara Minard
Gail O'Neill
Matt Roskot
Benjamin Jacob Spener

Regrets:
Matthew Chou
Raquel Finkelstein
Anne Sullivan

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

Minutes

The November minutes were unanimously approved.

Sudan Vote

The sub-committee members presented their findings regarding our annual Sudan review. As with last year, the committee members agreed that telecommunications companies who provided roaming services should not be considered for divestment if roaming were the only area of concern. Members voiced their desire to err on the side of caution when recommending a company for divestment or placement on the watch list, since above all we do not want to do any harm to the people of Sudan. The committee agreed to explore the possibility of expanding the research resources we use when we modify the watch and divestment lists each year.

Fossil Fuel

The fossil fuel subcommittee members lead a discussion on some of the questions they were considering while reviewing this issue. ACSRI members had an opportunity to provide their input, and it was agreed that at our next meeting the fossil fuel subcommittee would provide a review of how this issue was handled/decided at other institutions. In addition, a member of the subcommittee agreed to present an overview of how ESG issues are considered at BNY Mellon.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
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