

Board of Retirement Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2018 – 8:30 a.m.

Call to Order

Dan Gjerde, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

Present: Shari Schapmire, Patrick Sullivan, Lee Parker, Kathy Smith, Tim Knudsen, Jerilyn Harris, Chair Gjerde and Richard Shoemaker.

Absent: Kathryn Cavness and Craig Walker.

Also present: James Wilbanks, Retirement Administrator, Jeff Berk, Legal Counsel, Stan Conwell, Financial Investment Officer, and Judy Zeller, Administrative Assistant.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment: None

1) Consent Agenda

- Minutes of the May 9, 2018 Board Meeting
- May 2018 Retirement Report
- Monthly Preliminary Financial Report

Presenter/s: Chair Gjerde referenced the consent agenda which was approved by unanimous consent.

2) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Any Consent Agenda Item Needing Separate Action

None

3) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Investment Matters

- Monthly Investment Report

Presenter/s: Dr. Wilbanks referenced the Monthly Investment Report.

4) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Communications Strategy

Presenter/s: Dr. Wilbanks referenced a draft Communications Strategy which was written to support the MCERA Strategic Plan.

Board Action: Motion was made by Ms. Harris to adopt the Communications Strategy as amended. Mr. Parker Seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

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5) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Amendment to Agreement with Managed Medical Review Organization (MMRO) for Medical Consulting Services

Presenter/s: Dr. Wilbanks referenced an amendment to the existing MMRO agreement which removes the requirement that the board annually approve contract renewal with MMRO.

Board Action: Motion was made by Ms. Smith to approve the amendment to the agreement with MMRO for medical consulting services. Ms. Harris seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

6) General Board Member Discussion

Ms. Smith and Ms. Harris commented on their June 8, 2018 CalAPRS Trustees Roundtable attendance.

Mr. Knudsen inquired about Social Security Integration and the estimated savings to the retirement system.

Ms. Harris commented on CalSTRS disability retirement benefits.

Mr. Sullivan commented on Superior Court Case O'neal vs Stanislaus Employees' Retirement Association.

Ms. Harris inquired about Fiduciary Liability Insurance.

7) Closed Session

- Patricia Lozano, Eligibility Worker III, Service Connected Disability Retirement Application
- Toni Black, Substance Abuse Counselor II, Service Connected Disability Retirement Application
- Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Retirement Administrator – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Report Out From Closed Session

The service connected disability applications for Patricia Lozano and Toni Black were denied by the following board actions.

Board Action: Motion was made by Mr. Knudsen to deny Patricia Lozano's Application for Service Connected Disability Retirement. Ms. Schapmire seconded the motion which was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Shari Schapmire, Patrick Sullivan, Lee Parker, Kathryn Smith, Tim Knudsen, Jerilyn Harris, Richard Shoemaker, and Dan Gjerde. Noes: 0. Abstain: 0. Absent: Kathryn Cavness and Craig Walker.

Board Action: Motion was made by Ms. Smith to deny Toni Black's Application for Service Connected Disability Retirement. Ms. Harris seconded the motion which was approved unanimously by the following vote: Ayes: Shari Schapmire, Patrick Sullivan, Kathryn Smith, Tim Knudsen, Jerilyn Harris, Richard Shoemaker and Dan Gjerde. Noes: Lee Parker. Abstain: 0. Absent: Kathryn Cavness and Craig Walker.

Direction was given to staff and legal counsel regarding the Public Employee Performance Evaluation. Chair Gjerde appointed Trustees Smith, Sullivan, Harris, and Schapmire to act as negotiators for contract negotiations with Retirement Administrator.

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Adjournment and Notice of Next Board of Retirement Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 11:34 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled Board of Retirement meeting will be held Wednesday July 18, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. in the Mendocino County Employees Association Conference Room.