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To: Board of Retirement

From: James Wilbanks, Retirement Administrator

Subject: Administrator Report

Marin CERA Court Case Update:

On November 22, 2016, the California Supreme Court unanimously granted the petition for review of the Court of Appeal decision in *Marin Ass'n of Public Employees v. Marin County Employees' Retirement Association* (Case No. S237460) ("MAPE"). The Supreme Court postponed briefing to it in MAPE, however, pending either a decision from a different division of the same lower court of appeal in another case involving similar legal issues (*Alameda County Deputy Sheriff's Ass'n et al. v. al., v. ACERA et al.* (Case No. A141913)), or further order of the Supreme Court.

Online Board Appointment Filing:

Attached is a memo from the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors regarding online filing for appointments to Boards or Commissions.

Governmental Accounting Standards (GAS) 68 Report Cost:

At the November Board meeting I was asked to research whether the Board of Retirement could pass the costs of this report along to plan sponsors and whether the Board should consider doing so. To the first question, the Board of Retirement could certainly decide to charge the plan sponsors for the cost of compiling the GAS 68 report as the purpose of the report is to provide information to the plan sponsors for their annual financial statements and not for use by MCERA.

However, all of the administrative costs of MCERA are ultimately paid by the employers. Since administrative expenses are paid by the plan sponsors, and the cost to prepare the GAS 68 report are a component of the administrative expenses, the plan sponsors are already paying the cost to prepare this report. Accordingly, it is unnecessary to bill the plan sponsors for this expense.

625 Kings Court Maintenance Update:

We are nearing the completion of the various projects scheduled for the building during FY-2017. The flooring work in Suite A began during Thanksgiving week and will continue later this month. We have a new SmartBoard installed in the Conference Room, new blinds are on order for the MCERA space and we are working toward getting new cubicles to better utilize our space.

We are still awaiting the contractor to paint the exterior of the building and finalization of the MCERA reception area.

Administrative and Operations Update:

I have no updates as of this writing.



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MENDOCINO COUNTY ENHANCES AVAILABILITY TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS RESOURCES

On November 15, 2016, the Mendocino County Executive Office will launch a new online Boards and Commissions resource on the County webpage: The Board of Supervisors encourages citizen involvement and expertise to assist the Board in serving the community. Boards and Commissions were established to help the Board address many and varied duties and responsibilities of local County government. These Boards and Commissions are created by State or Federal law, County ordinance, or by action of the Board of Supervisors and provide forums for citizen input and accessibility to County government. The Board of Supervisors relies on these groups to advise them on a wide-range of issues affecting their constituencies, and to assure they are responsive to community needs.

This resource enhancement will allow the public greater access to information regarding the over 100 County Boards, Commissions, and Special Districts. Members of the public will now have the ability to access rosters, contact information, and membership details for all County Boards, Commissions, and Special Districts electronically. Additionally, it will allow the public to view detailed vacancy information and apply for vacancies on various County Boards and Commissions online.

Applicants for County Boards and Commissions are encouraged to apply online, however, hard copy applications will continue to be accepted by the Mendocino County Executive Office at 501 Low Gap Road, Room 1010, Ukiah, CA 95482 or via fax to (707) 463-7237. Individuals interested in serving on elected Special District positions must continue to file for candidacy with the Mendocino County Clerk-Recorder's Office.

The Boards and Commissions resource may be accessed online at www.co.mendocino.ca.us/bos/boardscommissions.htm. For more information, please contact the Executive Office at (707) 463-4441.

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