

**ORANGE COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM
2223 E. WELLINGTON AVENUE, SUITE 100
SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA 92701**

DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

June 4, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Members of the Committee

Russell Baldwin, Chair

Frank Eley

Charles Packard

AGENDA

This agenda contains a brief general description of each item to be considered. The Committee may take action on any item listed on this Agenda; however, except as otherwise provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the Agenda. The Committee may consider matters included on the agenda in any order, and not necessarily in the order listed.

OPEN SESSION

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time, members of the public may comment on (1) matters not included on the agenda, provided that the matter is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee; and (2) any matter appearing on the Consent Agenda. **Persons wishing to provide public comment at this time should fill out a speaker card located on the counter at the back of the room and deposit it in the Recording Secretary's inbox on the wall near the middle of the room.** When addressing the Committee, please state your name for the record prior to providing your comments. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes.

In addition, public comment on matters listed on this agenda will be taken at the time the item is addressed.

CLOSED SESSION

Government Code section 54957

Adjourn to Closed Session under Government Code section 54957 to consider member disability applications and to discuss member medical records submitted in connection therewith. The applicant may waive confidentiality and request his or her disability application to be considered in Open Session.

CONSENT ITEMS

DC 1: Surjiwan Sharma

Data Entry Technician, Orange County Social Services Agency

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee deny service and non-service connected disability retirement without prejudice due to the member's failure to cooperate. (General Member)

ACTION ITEMS

DA-1: INDIVIDUAL ACTION ON ANY ITEM TRAILED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

DA 2: Cory Bartholomew

Maintenance Crew Supervisor II, Orange County Public Works

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee grant service connected disability retirement with an effective date of May 12, 2017. (General Member)

DA 3: Bradley Broadhead

Sergeant, Orange County Sheriff's Department

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee deny service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of permanent incapacity and to deny the application as it was not filed timely pursuant to Government Code Section 31722. (Safety Member)

DA 4: Jaswinder Dullat

Coach Operator, Orange County Transportation Authority

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee grant service connected disability retirement with an effective date of January 11, 2015. (General Member)

DA 5: James Guarneri

Sergeant, Orange County Sheriff's Department

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee deny service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of job causation. (Safety Member)

DA 6: Dione Hernandez

Coach Operator, Orange County Transportation Authority

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee deny service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of permanent incapacity. (General Member)

DA 7: Evan Sornborger

Fire Captain/Paramedic, Orange County Fire Authority

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee grant service connected disability retirement with an effective date of the day after the last day of regular compensation. (Safety Member)

DA 8: Robert Willis

Certified Journeyman Mechanic II, Orange County Transportation Authority

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee grant service connected disability retirement with an effective date of October 20, 2017. (General Member)

OPEN SESSION

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A. REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

B. MINUTES OF THE MAY 2, 2019 DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Recommendation: Approve the Minutes.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF COMMENTS

COUNSEL COMMENTS

NOTICE OF NEXT MEETINGS

AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING

June 6, 2019

1:00 P.M.

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

June 17, 2019

9:00 A.M.

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PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING

June 17, 2019

9:00 A.M.

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DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

May 2, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Members of the Committee

Russell Baldwin, Chair

Jeremy Vallone, Vice Chair

Wayne Lindholm

Frank Eley, Alternate

MINUTES

OPEN SESSION

Mr. Vallone, acting as Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:09a.m. Attendance was as follows:

Present: Jeremy Vallone, Wayne Lindholm, and Frank Eley

Staff: Steve Delaney, CEO; Suzanne Jenike, Assistant CEO, External Operations; Gina Ratto, General Counsel; Dawn Matsuo, Staff Attorney; Megan Cortez, Disability Manager; Nichol Forbes, Recording Secretary; Cammy Torres, Executive Secretary; Anthony Beltran, Audio Visual Technician

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CONSENT ITEMS

DC-1: Mihail Danciuлесcu – PULLED PER MEMBER’S REQUEST

Sergeant, Orange County Sheriff’s Department

Recommendation: Deny service and non-service connected disability retirement without prejudice due to the member’s failure to cooperate. (Safety Member)

DC-2: Edward Kisow – PULLED PER MEMBER’S REQUEST

Deputy Sheriff, Orange County Sheriff’s Department

Recommendation: Deny service and non-service connected disability retirement without prejudice due to the member’s failure to cooperate. (Safety Member)

DC-3: Mark Yesia

Employment and Eligibility Specialist, Orange County Social Services Agency

Recommendation: Deny service and non-service connected disability retirement without prejudice due to the member’s failure to cooperate. (General Member)

A **motion** was made by Mr. Eley, **seconded** by Lindholm to approve the consent agenda.

The Committee recessed into Closed Session at 10:12a.m.

The Committee resumed to Open Session at 10:40a.m.

A: REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

DA-2: Michael Brown

Environmental Technician, Orange County Sanitation District

Recommendation: Deny service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of permanent incapacity or job causation. (General Member)

The Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff's recommendation.

DA-3: Vanessa Callins

Coach Operator, Orange County Transportation Authority

Recommendation: Grant non-service connected disability retirement with an effective date of June 27, 2018 and deny service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of job causation. (General Member)

The Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff's recommendation.

Chair Baldwin arrived at 10:24a.m. Mr. Eley left the meeting.

DA-4: Alberto Gomez

Coach Operator, Orange County Transportation Authority

Recommendation: Grant service connected disability retirement with an effective date of October 4, 2015. (General Member)

The Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff's recommendation.

DA-5: Arthur Lopez-Hidalgo

Fire Captain, Orange County Fire Authority

Recommendation: Grant service connected disability retirement with an effective date of November 24, 2017. (Safety Member)

The Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff's recommendation.

DA-6: Tracy Hohne
Paralegal, Orange County Public Defender

Recommendation: Grant service connected disability retirement with an effective date of February 3, 2017. (General Member)

The Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff's recommendation.

DA-7: Richard Regambal
Coach Operator, Orange County Transportation Authority

Recommendation: Grant service connected disability retirement with an effective date of March 30, 2018. (General Member)

The Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff's recommendation.

DA-8 Elizabeth Vroom
Office Technician, Orange County Social Services Agency

Recommendation: Deny service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of job causation.

The Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff's recommendation.

DA-9: Jean Yu
Administrative Manager III, Orange County Information Technology

Recommendation: Grant non-service connected disability retirement with an effective date of August 5, 2016 and deny service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of job causation. (General Member)

The Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff's recommendation.

B. MINUTES OF THE APRIL 2, 2019 DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Recommendation: Approve the Minutes.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Lindholm, **seconded** by Mr. Vallone to approve the minutes.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

None

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF COMMENTS

Suzanne Jenike, Assistant CEO, External Operations gave the Committee handouts showing the criteria used to determine disability retirement and the differences between OCERS disability retirement and workers compensation. These handouts have been helpful references in the past and are available in BoardVantage. Committee member Lindholm requested additional training or information on the differences in payments across all disability benefit types. Ms. Jenike responded that she would provide the Committee with information regarding benefit amounts at a future meeting.

COUNSEL COMMENTS

None

The meeting adjourned at 10:47a.m.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

Steve Delaney
Secretary to the Board

Russell Baldwin
Chair