# ORANGE COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD OF RETIREMENT 2223 E. WELLINGTON AVENUE, SUITE 100 SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA

REGULAR MEETING Monday, March 16, 2020 9:30 a.m.

## **MINUTES**

Chair Hilton called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Attendance was as follows:

Present – in person: Roger Hilton, Chair; Frank Eley, Shari Freidenrich, Chris Prevatt; Jeremy

Vallone and Adele Tagaloa

Present via teleconference pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Newsom on March

17, 2020:

Shawn Dewane, Vice-Chair; Charles Packard, Wayne Lindholm and Arthur

Hidalgo

Also Present – in person: Steve Delaney, Chief Executive Officer; Brenda Shott, Assistant CEO,

Internal Operations; Suzanne Jenike, Assistant CEO, External Operations; Gina Ratto, General Counsel; Anthony Beltran, Visual Technician; Cammy

Torres; Recording Secretary

Guests via telephone: Harvey Leiderman, ReedSmith

Trustee Vallone led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Prevatt, **seconded** by Eley, to approve staff's recommendation on all of the following items on the Consent Agenda:

## **BENEFITS**

## C-1 OPTION 4 RETIREMENT ELECTION

**Recommendation:** Grant election of retirement benefit payment, Option 4, based on Segal Consulting's actuarial report.

(1) BENJAMIN SAVILL

## **ADMINISTRATION**

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## C-2 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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**Recommendation**: Approve minutes.

## C-3 RETIREE REQUEST TO BE REINSTATED – LINDA YOUNG

**Recommendation**: Reinstate Ms. Young as an active member under the provisions of Government Code Section 31680.4 and 31680.5.

The motion passed unanimously.

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## **DISABILITY APPLICATIONS/MEMBER APPEALS AGENDA**

## **OPEN SESSION**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION** by Prevatt, **seconded** by Packard, to approve staff's recommendation on all of the following items on the Consent Agenda:

## DC-1: BRENDA HIBNER

Eligibility Supervisor, Orange County Social Services Agency

<u>Recommendation:</u> The Disability Committee recommends that the Board Deny service and non-service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of permanent incapacity. (General Member)

## DC-2: RODGER WILLIAMS

Deputy Sheriff II, Orange County Sheriff's Department

<u>Recommendation:</u> The Disability Committee recommends that the Board deny service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of permanent incapacity. (Safety Member)

The motion passed <u>unanimously</u>.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

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

N/A

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## **ACTION ITEMS**

## A-1 INDIVIDUAL ACTION ON ANY ITEM TRAILED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA N/A

## A-2 2020 STAR COLA FINAL APPROVAL

Presentation by Suzanne Jenike, Assistant Chief Executive Officer, External Operations, OCERS

**Recommendation**: Approve payment of STAR COLA for the period April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021.

Ms. Jenike presented the 2020 STAR COLA final approval.

Mr. Eley read a statement by Sara Ruckle-Harms, representing Retired Employees Association of Orange County (REAOC) urging the Board to grant the STAR COLA for an additional year.

**MOTION** by Eley, **seconded** by Lindholm, to approve payment of STAR COLA for the period April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021.

Motion passed <u>unanimously</u>.

## A-3 TEMPORARY DELEGATION TO THE CEO IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

Presentation by Steve Delaney, Chief Executive Officer

**Recommendation**: Approve a temporary delegation of authority to the CEO to empower him to take such actions that in the CEO's judgment are necessary or advisable, after consultation with the Board Chair or Vice Chair, to protect the interests and wellbeing of OCERS employees, members or the System.

A discussion was generated by the Board in delegating the CEO to respond to COVID-19 emergency needs.

**MOTION** by Prevatt, **seconded** by Packard, to approve the temporary delegation of authority to the CEO as presented, with the following changes:

- Add in Section 5.a. that if both the Board Chair and Vice Chair are unavailable, the CEO will make reasonable attempts to contact the County Treasurer before exercising authority under the temporary delegation of authority;
- Specify in Section 5.b. that the CEO will report to the Board any action taken under the temporary delegation of authority within 24 hours of taking said action; and
- Specify in Section 6 that in addition to the authority set forth in Section 5, the CEO's signing authority relating to non-investment matters is increased to \$1 million during the time the temporary delegation of authority is in effect.

Motion passed <u>unanimously</u>.

The Board recessed for break at 10:34 a.m.

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The Board reconvened from break at 10:51 a.m.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **I-1** MEMBER MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED

Written Report

**Application Notices** March 16, 2020 **Death Notices** March 16, 2020

#### I-2 **COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

None

#### I-3 CEO FUTURE AGENDAS AND 2020 OCERS BOARD WORK PLAN

Written Report

#### I-4 **QUIET PERIOD – NON-INVESTMENT CONTRACTS**

Written Report

#### **BOARD COMMUNICATIONS I-5**

Written Report

#### **OCERS BOARD POLICY COMPLIANCE I-6**

Written Report

#### I-7 FIRST QUARTER REVIEW OF OCERS 2020-2022 STRATEGIC PLAN

Written Report

#### **I-8** FOURTH QUARTER 2019 BUDGET VS. PRELIMINARY ACTUALS REPORT

Written Report

### FOURTH QUARTER UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1-9 2019

Written Report

#### I-10 TRAVEL REPORT - AIF GLOBAL ANNUAL INVESTORS' MEETING 2020

Written Report

#### I-11 STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Presentation by Gina Ratto, General Counsel, OCERS

Ms. Ratto provide a thorough summary of the two SACRS sponsored bills.

#### I-12 **CALAPRS 2020 GENERAL ASSEMBLY OVERVIEW**

Presentation by Steve Delaney, Chief Executive Officer, OCERS

Mr. Delaney presented an overview of the CALAPRS 2020 General Assembly sharing highlights from each of the presentations shared at that conference.

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## I-13 COLA INFORMATIONAL VIDEO

Presentation by Suzanne Jenike, Assistant Chief Executive Officer, External Operations, OCERS

Ms. Jenike presented to COLA Video and shared it with the Board members and the public.

\* \* \* \* \* END OF INFORMATION ITEMS AGENDA \* \* \* \* \*

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

N/A

Ms. Freidenrich arrived at 10:52 a.m.

## **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF COMMENTS**

Mr. Delaney discussed the COVID-19 as it affects OCERS and management plan moving forward.

Ms. Shott updated the Board on the new building project.

## **COUNSEL COMMENTS**

N/A

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# ADJOURNMENT: (IN MEMORY OF THE ACTIVE MEMBERS, RETIRED MEMBERS, AND SURVIVING SPOUSES WHO PASSED AWAY THIS PAST MONTH)

The meeting **ADJOURNED** at 11:38 a.m. in memory of the active members, retired members, and surviving spouses who passed away during the past month:

## **Active Members**

Catlapp, Constance McElroy, Tomm Rondan, Monica

## **Retired Members**

Boccumini, Vicki
Bogue, Helen
Bonilla Gonzales, Amada
Churchill, Esther
Di Luzio, Suzanne
Diersing, Lorraine
Drake, Roxxanne
Ely, Lucy
Finn, Andree

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Fleming, Patty

Floyd, Carol

Gannon, Timothy

Gorthi, Vijaya

Harris, Andrea

Hicks, Frank

Magsam, Jane

Maze, David

Mitchell, Charles

Munroe, Harold

Neureither, Donald

Omsted, Sonja

Ruiz, Carmen

Schaffroth, Harold

Shipp, Gloria

Sullivan, Michael

Taban, Osman

VanKirk, Fay

Vu, Christine

Wallace, Linda

Way, Bernard

Webb, Martha

Westman, Gary

## **Spouses**

Dickerson, John

Fox, Jamie

Hollon, Kathryn

Majors, Viola

Martinson, James

Minardi, Joseph

Perez, Mary

Reilly, Betty

Smith, Nancy

Socia, Phyllis

Sullivan, Julia

Yniguez, Maria

Submitted by:

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Steve Delaney

Secretary to the Board

Approved by:

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Roger Hitton

Roger Hilton

Chairman