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

REGULAR MEETING Monday, October 20, 2025 9:45 A.M.

or upon adjournment of the Investment Committee meeting, whichever is later

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AGENDA

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

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. BOARD MEMBER STATEMENT REGARDING PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM (IF NECESSARY) (Government Code section 54953(f))
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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When addressing the Committee, please state your name for the record prior to providing your comments. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes.

At this time, members of the public may comment on (1) matters <u>not</u> 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.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters on the Consent Agenda are to be approved by one action unless a Board Member requests separate action on a specific item.

BENEFITS

C-1 OPTION 4 RETIREMENT ELECTION

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

- Lashley, Gregory
- Pope, George
- Rico-Alecia, Irma
- Vasquez, Ricardo

ADMINISTRATION

C-2 BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Special Board Meeting Minutes Strategic Planning Workshop Summary Special Board Meeting Minutes August 27, 2025 September 9-10, 2025 October 6, 2025

Recommendation: Approve minutes.

C-3 OUTCOMES FROM THE GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING ON AUGUST 21, 2025

Recommendation: The Governance Committee recommends that the Board adopt the following:

- (1) Membership Eligibility Requirements Policy with revisions approved by the Committee;
- (2) **Reserves and Interest-Crediting Policy** with non-substantive revisions approved by the Committee;
- (3) **Board of Retirement Charter** with revisions approved by the Committee;
- (4) **Board of Retirement Chair Charter** with revisions approved by the Committee;
- (5) **Board Vice Chair Charter** with revisions approved by the Committee;
- (6) **Committee Chair Charter** with no recommended revisions at this time approved by the Committee;
- (7) OCERS Administrative Procedure regarding Retirees Returning to Work adoption approved by the Committee; and

- (8) **Policies and Charter Referencing the Strategic and Business Plan** with revisions approved by the Committee.
 - a. Budget Approval Policy
 - b. Chief Executive Officer Performance Evaluation Policy
 - c. Monitoring and Reporting
 - d. Planning Policy
 - e. Procurement and Contracting
 - f. Records Management Policy
 - g. Succession Policy
 - h. Trustee Education Policy
 - i. CEO Charter

C-4 ANDREW H. DO, FELONY FORFEITURE

Recommendation: Apply felony forfeiture pursuant to Government Code section 7522.74.

DISABILITY/MEMBER BENEFITS AGENDA 9:30 AM

NOTE: WHEN CONSIDERING DISABILITY RETIREMENT APPLICATIONS OR MEMBER APPEALS OF DISABILITY RETIREMENT DETERMINATIONS, THE BOARD MAY ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS MATTERS RELATING TO THE MEMBER'S APPLICATION OR APPEAL PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 54957 OR 54956.9. IF THE MATTER IS A DISABILITY APPLICATION UNDER SECTION 54957, THE MEMBER MAY REQUEST THAT THE DISCUSSION BE IN PUBLIC.

OPEN SESSION

CONSENT ITEMS

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A. Disability Committee Recommendations:

DC-1: KIMBERLY LAGOW

Eligibility Technician, Orange County Social Services Agency (General)

Recommendation: The Disability Committee recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability with payment of a supplemental disability allowance pursuant to Gov. Code section 31725.65 in lieu of a disability retirement allowance.
- Set the effective date as December 5, 2023.

B. CEO Recommendations:

DC-2: COLTON ASHBY

Fire Battalion Chief, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as March 10, 2023.

DC-3: CLAUDIA AUDELO

Coach Operator, Orange County Transportation Authority (General)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as December 17, 2023.

DC-4: CHRISTIAN CASWELL

Firefighter, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as May 17, 2024.

DC-5: YOLANDA CHAVEZ

Office Technician, Orange County Social Services Agency (General)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as March 6, 2024.

DC-6: TOLGA EFE

Coach Operator, Orange County Transportation Authority (General)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as July 27, 2024.

DC-7: GINA EVERETT

Coach Operator, Orange County Transportation Authority (General)

<u>Recommendation:</u> Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

• Deny service-connected and non-service connected disability retirement without prejudice due to the member's decision not to join in the application.

DC-8: TAYLER GOOCH

Deputy Sheriff I, Orange County Sheriff's Department (Safety)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as November 15, 2024.

DC-9: TIMOTHY HARN

Deputy Sheriff I, Orange County Sheriff's Department (Safety)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as January 12, 2024.

DC-10: TROY HOGGARD

Fire Apparatus Engineer, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as March 24, 2023.

DC-11: JASON JONES

Fire Apparatus Engineer, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

<u>Recommendation:</u> Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as March 25, 2024.

DC-12: ANDREW LOUCH

Firefighter, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as March 22, 2024.

DC-13: KELLY LUCAS

Fire Captain, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as November 15, 2024.

DC-14: RAMI PAYNE

Library Assistant II, Orange County Public Library (General)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant non-service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as August 22, 2025.

DC-15: FRANCIS SMITH

Sergeant, Orange County Sheriff's Department (Safety)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

• Deny service-connected and non-service connected disability retirement without prejudice due to the member's decision not to join in the application.

DC-16: KEVIN VANCE

Fire Captain, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as May 7, 2024.

DC-17: JAMES YBARRA

Firefighter, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

Recommendation: Steve Delaney, CEO, recommends that the Board:

- Grant service-connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as March 10, 2023.

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.

DA-1: INDIVIDUAL ACTION ON ANY ITEM TRAILED FROM THE DISABILITY/MEMBER BENEFITS CONSENT AGENDA

DA-2: KEVIN FOSS

Deputy Probation Officer II, Orange County Probation Department

<u>Recommendation:</u> Staff recommends the Board approve and adopt the findings and recommendations of the Hearing Officer as set forth in the Summary of Evidence, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Recommendation dated May 23, 2025, wherein the Hearing Officer recommends that the Board find the Applicant, Kevin Foss, is not permanently incapacitated and *deny* Service-Connected Disability Retirement.

OPEN SESSION

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

ACTION ITEMS

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

A-2 OCERS 2026-2028 STRATEGIC AND BUSINESS PLAN

Presentation by Steve Delaney, Chief Executive Officer, and Will Tsao, Director of EPMO, OCERS

Recommendation: Approve the OCERS 2026-2028 Business and Strategic Plan as modified.

A-3 2026 STAFFING PLAN

Presentation by Steve Delaney, Chief Executive Officer, and Cynthia Hockless, Director of Human Resources, OCERS

Recommendation: The Personnel Committee recommends the Board of Retirement approve the following personnel costs in the 2026 OCERS Staffing Plan:

1. <u>APPROVE THE CREATION OF FOUR (4) NEW CAREER LADDERS AND ONE (1) NEW CAREER LADDER SERIES:</u>

- A. Add two (2) career ladders to the Investments Division
- B. Add one (1) career ladder to the Disability Department
- **C.** Add one (1) career ladder to the Human Resources Department
- D. Add one (1) career ladder series to the Enterprise Project Management Office (EPMO)

The total estimated annual personnel cost for the creation of these career ladders is \$77,132.

A-4 VOTING DIRECTION FOR SACRS BUSINESS MEETING

Presentation by Manuel Serpa, General Counsel, OCERS

Recommendation: Give voting direction to OCERS' delegates for the November 14, 2025 SACRS business meeting.

A-5 SEGAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND CONTRACT EXTENSION

Presentation by Steve Delaney, Chief Executive Officer, OCERS

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board exercise the option to extend the contract with Segal for three years.

A-6 OCERS' SUPPLEMENTAL DEFINED CONTRIBUTION BENEFIT PLAN AMENDMENTS

Presentation by Manuel Serpa, General Counsel, and Brenda Shott, Assistant CEO, Internal Operations, OCERS

Recommendation: Approve the amendments to the OCERS' Supplemental Defined Contribution Benefit Plan as presented.

A-7 DESIGNATING OCERS LABOR NEGOTIATOR UNDER GOVT. CODE SECTION 54957.6

Presentation by Cynthia Hockless, Director of Human Resources, OCERS

Recommendation: The Board will appoint a designated representative under Government Code section 54957.6(a) to assist the Board in negotiating compensation with the CEO.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Each of the following informational items will be presented to the Board for discussion.

I-1 2026 BOARD MEETING CALENDAR

Presentation by Steve Delaney, Chief Executive Officer, OCERS

I-2 PENSION ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM (PAS): OCERS HORIZON ACTIVITY REPORT

Presentation by David Kim, Assistant CEO, External Operations, Darren Dang, Chief Technology Officer, and William Tsao, Director of EPMO, OCERS

WRITTEN REPORTS

The following are written reports that will not be discussed unless a member of the Board requests discussion.

R-1 MEMBER MATERIALS DISTRIBUTED

Application Notices October 20, 2025
Death Notices October 20, 2025

R-2 COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

- March 2025 Building Committee Minutes
- May 2025- Governance Committee Minutes
- June 2025- Personnel Committee Minutes

R-3 NEW HEADQUARTERS ACTIVITY REPORT

Written Report

R-4 CEO FUTURE AGENDAS AND 2025 OCERS BOARD WORK PLAN

Written Report

R-5 QUIET PERIOD – NON-INVESTMENT CONTRACTS

Written Report

R-6 BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Written Report

R-7 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Written Report

R-8 OCERS TRAVEL POLICY APPROVED CONFERENCES LIST

Written Report

R-9 BUSINESS CONTINUITY AND DISASTER RECOVERY PLAN EXERCISE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Written Report

R-10 QUARTERLY TRAVEL AND TRAINING EXPENSE REPORT

Written Report

R-11 SECOND QUARTER 2025 BUDGET TO ACTUALS REPORT

Written Report

R-12 SECOND QUARTER 2025 UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Written Report

R-13 ANNUAL EMPLOYER REPORT

Written Report

R-14 EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF RHODE ISLAND (ERSRI) SYSTEM VISIT REPORT

Written Report

CLOSED SESSION

E-1 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code Section § 54957)

Position to be evaluated: Chief Executive Officer

Recommendation: Take appropriate action.

E-2 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6)

OCERS designated representative as identified in Action Item A-7

Unrepresented employee: OCERS Chief Executive Officer

Recommendation: Take appropriate action.

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF COMMENTS

COUNSEL COMMENTS

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

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

NOTICE OF NEXT MEETINGS

DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING November 17, 2025 8:30 A.M.

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

REGULAR BOARD MEETING November 17, 2025 9:30 A.M.

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

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