

ORANGE COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
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DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

January 3, 2019

10:00 a.m.

Members of the Committee

Roger Hilton, Chair

Frank Eley, Vice Chair

David Ball

MINUTES

OPEN SESSION

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:02a.m. Attendance was as follows:

Present: Roger Hilton, Chair; Frank Eley, Vice Chair; David Ball

Staff: Steve Delaney, CEO, Suzanne Jenike, Assistant CEO, External Operations; Gina Ratto, General Counsel; Isabel Linares, Disability Investigator; David Acuna, Disability Investigator; Sonal Sharma, Recording Secretary; Anthony Beltran, Audio Visual Technician

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

*The Committee recessed into Closed Session at 10:00a.m.*

*The Committee resumed to Open Session at 11:10a.m.*

OPEN SESSION

**A. REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

DISABILITY INDIVIDUAL APPLICATIONS

**DA-1: James E. Bento – Pulled per Member's request.**

**DA-2: James R. Forrester**

Fire Apparatus Engineer, Orange County Fire Authority

Date of employee filed application for service connected disability retirement: 07/19/2017

**Recommendation: Grant service connected disability retirement with an effective date of July 19, 2017. (Safety Member)**

The Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff's recommendation.

**DA-3: Robert Morris**

Senior Plant Operator, Orange County Sanitation Department

Date of employee filed application for service connected disability retirement: 02/22/2018

**Recommendation: Grant service connected disability retirement with an effective date of March 2, 2018. (General Member)**

The Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff's recommendation.

**DA-4: Vincent Sardella – Pulled per Member's request.**

**DA-5: Steven Burkley**

Sheriff's Special Officer II, Orange County Sheriff's Department

Date of employee filed application for service and non-service connected disability retirement: 05/27/2016

Date of employer filed application for service and non-service connected disability retirement: 08/15/2016

**Recommendation: Grant non-service connected disability retirement with an effective date of July 7, 2017 and send service connected disability to Administrative Hearing. (General Member)**

The Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff's recommendation.

**DA-6: Kimberly Cormany**

Senior Health, Safety & Environmental Compliance Specialist, Orange County Transportation Authority

Date of employee filed application for service and non-service connected disability retirement: 03/17/2017

**Recommendation: (1) That the Committee RESCIND its previously adopted motion to recommend that the Board grant non-service connected disability retirement; and**

**(2) That the Committee recommend to the Board that it deny both service and non-service connected disability retirement due to lack of evidence of permanent incapacity and job causation. (General Member)**

The Committee voted unanimously to adopt staff's recommendation.

**B. MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 4, 2018 DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Recommendation:** Approve the Minutes.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Eley, **seconded** by Mr. Ball, to approve the minutes.

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**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

None.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF COMMENTS**

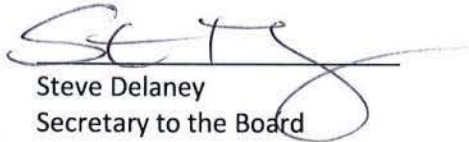
None.

**COUNSEL COMMENTS**

None.

The meeting adjourned at 11:17am.

Submitted by:

  
Steve Delaney  
Secretary to the Board

Approved by:

  
Roger Hilton  
Chair