

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

DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

March 21, 2022

8:30 a.m.

MINUTES

OPEN SESSION

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

Recording Secretary administered roll call.

Attendance was as follows:

Present via Zoom Video conference pursuant to Government Code § 54953, as amended by AB 361:

Adele Tagaloa, Chair; Charles Packard; Jeremy Vallone

Also Present via Zoom:

Steve Delaney, Chief Executive Officer; Gina Ratto, General Counsel; Suzanne Jenike, Assistant CEO, External Operations; Megan Cortez, Disability Manager; David Acuna, Disability Investigator; Brittany Cleberg, Recording Secretary; Anthony Beltran, Audio Visual Technician; Marielle Horst, Executive Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT ITEMS

MOTION by Packard, **seconded** by Vallone, to approve staff's recommendation on all of the following items on the Consent Agenda, excluding item DC-3 which was pulled by the applicant:

The motion passed **unanimously**.

DC-1: STEVEN BADEN

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

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant service connected disability retirement per Government Code Section 31720.6.
- Set the effective date as the day after the last day of regular compensation.

DC-2: GEORGE CASARIO

Battalion Chief, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant Service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as December 18, 2020.

DC-3: YVETTE CLANTON-PULLED BY THE APPLICANT

Coach Operator, Orange County Transportation Authority (General Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Deny service and non-service connected disability retirement due to the member's failure to cooperate.

DC-4: DONNA CORRAL

Deputy Juvenile Correctional Officer II, Orange County Probation Department (Safety Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as October 9, 2020.

DC-5: MELISSA GUTIERREZ-KAUFMAN

Coach Operator, Orange County Transportation Authority (General Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as December 22, 2019.

DC-6: JASON HALL

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

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as the day after the last day of regular compensation.

DC-7: ROSEMARY HARVEY

Coach Operator, Orange County Transportation Authority (General Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Deny service and non-service connected disability retirement due without prejudice due to member's failure to cooperate.

DC-8: KIPP LYONS

Community Services Coordinator, City of San Juan Capistrano (General Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Deny service and non-service connected disability retirement due without prejudice due to member's failure to cooperate.

DC-9: AMY LINDQUIST

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

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as the day after the last day of regular compensation.

DC-10: ALEJANDRO SILVA

Sergeant, Orange County Sheriff's Department (Safety Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant service connected disability retirement per Government Code Section 31720.5.
- Set the effective date as the day after the last day of regular compensation.

CLOSED SESSION

The Committee recessed into Closed Session at 8:40 a.m.

The Committee resumed into Open Session at 9:02 a.m.

A. REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

OPEN SESSION

ACTION ITEMS

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

N/A

DA-2: SANDRA CHAIBUN

Employment and Eligibility Specialist, Orange County Social Services Agency (General Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Deny service and non-service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of permanent incapacity.

MOTION by Packard, **seconded** by Vallone, to approve staff's recommendation on item DA-2:

The motion passed **unanimously**.

DA-3: JASON FINLEY

Sergeant, Orange County Sheriff's Department (Safety Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

- Grant non-service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as July 22, 2021.
- Deny service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of job causation.

This item was ***pulled*** from the agenda.

DA-4: AMELIA HEDGES

Legal Processing Specialist, Orange County Superior Court (General Member)

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Disability Committee forward to the Board of Retirement a recommendation to:

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

MOTION by Tagaloa, **seconded** by Packard, to approve staff's recommendation on item DA-4:

The motion passed **unanimously**.

B. MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 22, 2022 DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Recommendation: Approve the Minutes.

MOTION by Vallone, **seconded** by Packard, to approve the minutes from the February 22, 2022 Disability Committee Meeting.

The motion passed **unanimously**.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

N/A

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF COMMENTS

N/A

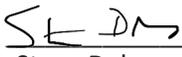
COUNSEL COMMENTS

N/A

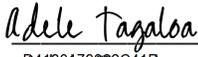
ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 a.m.

Submitted by:

DocuSigned by:

Steve Delaney

Approved by:

DocuSigned by:

Adele Tagaloa