

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

**DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING  
June 20, 2022  
8:30 a.m.**

**Members of the Committee**

Adele Tagaloa, Chair  
Chuck Packard  
Jeremy Vallone

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, signed into law on September 16, 2021 as urgency legislation; Governor Newsom’s Proclamation of a State of Emergency on March 4, 2020, which Proclamation is still in effect; and Board of Retirement Resolution 2022-05, this meeting will be conducted by video/teleconference, in compliance with Government Code section 54953 as amended by Assembly Bill 361. In addition, members of the Committee and the public are welcome to participate in the meeting via Zoom or from the OCERS Boardroom located at 2223 E. Wellington Ave., Santa Ana, CA. However, none of the other locations from which the Committee members participate by teleconference will be open to the public.

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## 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 AND ROLL CALL

#### 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. Members of the public who wish to provide comment at this time may do so by “raising your hand” in the Zoom app, or if joining by telephone, by pressing \* 9 on your telephone keypad. 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.

#### CONSENT ITEMS

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

#### DC-1: **DANIELLE ARRIOLA**

**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 March 30, 2018.

#### DC-2: **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 service connected disability retirement per Government Code Section 31720.6.

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- Set the effective date as July 22, 2021.

**DC-3: BENJAMIN GARCIA**  
**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 January 3, 2021.

**DC-4: MARY HELEN GOMEZ**  
**Office Manager, Orange County In-Home Supportive Services Public 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 July 10, 2015.

**DC-5: ELIZABETH GONZALES**  
**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 January 19, 2020.

**DC-6: KENNETH HARRISON**  
**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 March 12, 2021.

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**DC-7: JACK PERISHO**  
**Fire Captain, 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 March 25, 2022.

**DC-8: ANGELA SANCHEZ**  
**Assessment Technician II, Orange County Assessor's Office (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 July 17, 2020.

**DC-9: PAMELA THOMAS**  
**Senior Family Support Officer, Orange County Child Support Services (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 without prejudice due to the member's failure to cooperate.

**DC-10: JONATHAN TIPTON**  
**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:

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

**DC-11: MARK WEISS**  
**Fire Captain, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety Member)**

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

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- Grant service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as December 31, 2021.

**DC-12: MIKE WILSON**

**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.
- Set the effective date as the day after the last date of regular compensation.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**Government Code section 54957**

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

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**NOTE:** Public comment on matters listed in this agenda will be taken at the time the item is addressed, prior to the Committee's discussion of the item. **Persons attending the meeting in person and wishing to provide comment on a matter listed on the agenda should fill out a speaker card located at the back of the Boardroom and deposit it in the Recording Secretary's box located near the back counter.**

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

**DA-2: JERRY BRENEMAN**

**Fire Captain, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety 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 permanent incapacity.

**DA-3: JAMES CARROLL**

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

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**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 permanent incapacity.

**OPEN SESSION**

- A. **REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**
- B. **MINUTES FROM THE MAY 16, 2022 DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Recommendation:** Approve the Minutes.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF COMMENTS**

**COUNSEL COMMENTS**

**NOTICE OF NEXT MEETINGS**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**June 20, 2022**  
**9:30 A.M.**

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**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**July 14, 2022**  
**1:00 P.M.**

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**DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**July 18, 2022**  
**8:30 A.M.**

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**DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING  
Monday, May 16, 2022  
8:30 a.m.  
MINUTES**

**OPEN SESSION**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

Recording Secretary administered roll call.

Attendance was as follows:

Present: Adele Tagaloa, Chair; Charles Packard

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

Absent: Jeremy Vallone

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

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

The motion passed **unanimously**.

**DC-1: MICHAEL CARLSON**

**Deputy Sheriff II, 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.

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**DC-2: COLLIN CATE**  
**Paramedic Engineer, 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 September 24, 2021.

**DC-3: JEREMY DOTY**  
**Automotive Technician II, Orange County Public Works (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 October 11, 2019.

**DC-4: KERI STUFF**  
**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 December 31, 2021.

Mr. Vallone arrived at 8:48 a.m. via zoom.

**CLOSED SESSION**

*The Committee recessed into Closed Session at 8:38 a.m.*

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

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

**OPEN SESSION**

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**ACTION ITEMS**

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

N/A

**DA-2: KEVIN FOSS**

**Deputy Probation 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 non-service connected disability retirement.
- Set the effective date as the day after the last day of regular compensation.
- Deny service connected disability retirement due to insufficient evidence of job causation.

A motion was made to adopt staff recommendation as presented.

The motion passed **unanimously**.

**DA-3: PATRICIA HOLLIDAY**

**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:

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

A motion was made to adopt staff recommendation as presented.

The motion passed **unanimously**.

**DA-4: CHARLES JOHNSON**

**Deputy Sheriff II, Orange County Sheriff's Department (Safety 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.

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A motion was made to adopt staff recommendation as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

**B. MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 18, 2022 DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Recommendation:** Approve the Minutes.

**MOTION** by Packard, **seconded** by Vallone, to approve the minutes from the April 18, 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 9:02 a.m.

Submitted by:

Approved by:

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Steve Delaney

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Adele Tagaloa