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

DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING Monday, August 21, 2023 8:30 A.M.

#### **Members of the Committee**

Richard Oates, Chair Roger Hilton Chuck Packard Jeremy Vallone (Alternate)

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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**

- 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
- 2. BOARD MEMBER STATEMENT REGARDING PARTICIPATION VIA ZOOM (IF NECESSARY) (Government Code section 54953(f))

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

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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.

<u>In addition</u>, 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: ALEXANDER ALLUIN

Eligibility Technician, Orange County Social Services Agency (General)

<u>Recommendation</u>: 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 3, 2020.

#### **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.

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

#### **DA-2: GERMAINE DELGADO**

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

**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 lack of substantial medical evidence of permanent incapacity and service connection.

#### **DA-3: RICHARD TRAN**

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

**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.

#### **OPEN SESSION**

#### REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

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A-1 MINUTES FROM THE MAY 17, 2023 DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

**Recommendation:** Approve the Minutes.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS** 

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF COMMENTS** 

**COUNSEL COMMENTS** 

**ADJOURNMENT** 

NOTICE OF NEXT MEETINGS

REGULAR BOARD MEETING August 21, 2023 9:30 A.M.

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

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING August 24, 2023 9:30 A.M.

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

INVESTMENT COMMITTEE MEETING August 30, 2023 9:00 A.M.

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

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

DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING Wednesday, May 17, 2023 9:00 a.m.
MINUTES

#### **OPEN SESSION**

Chair called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

Recording Secretary administered roll call.

Attendance was as follows: Richard Oates, Chair; Charles Packard; Roger Hilton

Also in Attendance: Steve Delaney, Chief Executive Officer; Suzanne Jenike, Assistant CEO,

External Operations; Gina Ratto, General Counsel, Manuel Serpa,

Deputy General Counsel; Nicole McIntosh, Disability Manager; Brittany

Brayboy, Disability Retirement Investigator; William Singleton, Paralegal; Javier Lara, Audio Visual Technician; Marielle Horst,

**Recording Secretary** 

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

#### STAFF COMMENT

Ms. Jenike welcomed Ms. Nicole McIntosh as the new Director of Disability. Ms. McIntosh is thoroughly knowledgeable of OCERS and the Disability Department, as she previously served as a Staff Attorney.

#### **CONSENT ITEMS**

**MOTION** by Hilton, **seconded** by Packard, to approve staff's recommendation on all of the following items on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed **unanimously**.

#### DC-1: JOHN BRYSON

Firefighter, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

**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 day after last day of regular compensation.

#### DC-2: KENNETH BUCHANAN

Fire Apparatus Engineer, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

**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 24, 2023.

#### DC-3: ZORINA CATUNA

Public Health Nurse, Orange County Health Care Agency (General)

**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 because the member has opted not to join in the employer filed application.

#### DC-4: JOHN CHANDLER

Fire Apparatus Engineer, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

<u>Recommendation</u>: 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 10, 2023.

## DC-5: ALBERT HALL

Fire Apparatus Engineer, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

**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 day after last day of regular compensation.

## DC-6: RANDY MORPHEW

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

<u>Recommendation</u>: 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 11, 2022.

### DC-7: JOHN SAHM (DECEASED)

Firefighter, Orange County Fire Authority (Safety)

**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 21, 2022.

#### DC-8: JOSEPH SANDOVAL

Captain, Orange County Sheriff's Department (Safety)

<u>Recommendation</u>: 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 February 24, 2023.

#### DC-9: VINCENT TRUONG

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

**<u>Recommendation</u>**: 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 10, 2021.

#### **DC-10: MERY VALDEZ**

Data Entry Technician, Orange County Probation

<u>Recommendation</u>: 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 because the member has opted not to join in the employer filed application.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

The committee did not adjourn to Closed Session. There was no discussion.

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

None.

Suzanne Jenike

Staff Liaison

**Richard Oates** 

Chair

## **OPEN SESSION**

REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION				
None.				
A-1	MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 17, 2023, DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING			
	Recommendation: Approve the	ne Minutes.		
<u>MOTION</u> by Packard, <u>seconded</u> by Hilton to approve the April 17, 2023, Disability Committee meeting minutes. The motion passed <u>unanimously</u> .				
COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS N/A				
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF COMMENTS N/A				
COUNSEL COMMENTS N/A				
ADJOURNMENT				
The meeting adjourned at 9:12 a.m.				
Submitte	ed by:	Submitted by:	Approved by:	

Steve Delaney

Secretary to the Board