

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

**DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2025  
8:30 A.M.**

**Members of the Committee**

Roger Hilton, Chair  
Chuck Packard, Vice Chair  
Iriss Barriga, Board Member  
Jeremy Vallone, Board Member

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

**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. As per the OCERS Bylaws, for disability matters before the Board, the applicant or their attorney is allowed to present for a maximum of ten (10) minutes. The opposing counsel is allowed a time limit of seven (7) minutes for argument, followed by a three (3) minute rebuttal from the applicant or their attorney.

**DA-1: BRANDON BOREN**

Information Technologist II, Orange County Sheriff's Department (Safety)

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

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

**DA-2: JOSEPH BUCARO**

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

**Recommendation:** Staff recommends that the Disability Committee:

- Refer the matter to a Hearing Officer.

**OPEN SESSION**

**REPORT OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

**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.

**C-1 MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 20, 2025, DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Recommendation:** Approve the minutes.

**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. **Members of the public who wish to provide comment in connection with any matter listed in this agenda may do so by "raising your hand" in the Zoom app, or if joining by telephone, by pressing \* 9, at the time the item is called. 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.**

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

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/STAFF/COUNSEL COMMENTS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**NOTICE OF NEXT MEETINGS**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2025  
9:30 A.M.**

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8:30 A.M.  
MINUTES**

**OPEN SESSION**

Chair Hilton called the meeting to order at 8:43 a.m.

Recording Secretary administered roll call.

Attendance was as follows: Roger Hilton, Chair; Charles Packard, Vice Chair; Iriss Barriga, Committee Member; Jeremy Vallone, Committee Member

Also in Attendance: Steve Delaney, CEO; David Kim, Assistant CEO, External Operations (via Zoom); Manuel Serpa, General Counsel; Nicole McIntosh, Director of Disability; Joon Kim, Staff Attorney; Cesar Rodriguez, Disability Retirement Investigator; Adrienne Gordon, Disability Retirement Investigator; Anthony Beltran, Audio Visual Technician; Marielle Horst, Recording Secretary

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

*The Committee did not adjourn to closed session.*

**DA-1: GREGORY PALMER**

Public Assistance Investigator, OC District Attorney (General)

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

- Deny service-connected and non-service connected disability retirement due to the member's inability to participate in the application process.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Packard, **seconded** by Ms. Barriga, to approve the staff recommendation. The motion passed **unanimously**.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

**C-1 MINUTES FROM THE JULY 21, 2025, DISABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Recommendation:** Approve the Minutes.

A **MOTION** was made by Mr. Packard, **seconded** by Mr. Vallone, to approve the Disability Committee meeting minutes. The motion passed **unanimously**.

**COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

None.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER/COUNSEL/STAFF COMMENTS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 a.m.

Submitted by:

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Approved by:

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David Kim,  
Staff Liaison

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Steve Delaney,  
Secretary to the Board

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Roger Hilton,  
Chair