

**MercedCERA ADMINISTRATIVE RETIREMENT BOARD AGENDA  
MINUTES THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2021  
MERCED COUNTY EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION  
TELEPHONE NUMBER: 1-310-372-7549, CONFERENCE CODE: 975839**

**CALL TO ORDER: 8:15 A.M.**

**Board members present:** Ryan Paskin, Scott Johnston (arrived at 8:17am), Al Peterson, Scott Silveira, Kalisa Rochester, David Ness and Karen Adams. **Counsel:** Jeff Grant. **Staff:** Kristen Santos, Martha Sanchez, Alexis Curry, Sheri Villagrana, Brenda Mojica, Mark Harman and Ninebra Maryoonani. **Absent:** Janey Cabral.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 28, 2021

**The MercedCERA Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the January 28, 2021 minutes.**

**Adams/ Silveira U/A (7-0)**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**No Comment.**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Consent matters are expected to be routine and may be acted upon, without discussion, as one unit. If an item is taken off the Consent Calendar for discussion, it will be heard as the last item(s) of the Board Action/Discussion as appropriate.

**RETIREMENTS:** Pursuant to Govt. Code § 31663.25 or § 31672

All items of earnable compensation for service or disability retirements listed below are in compliance with the pay code schedule approved by the Board of Retirement. The retirement is authorized; however, administrative adjustments may be necessary to alter the amount due to: audit, late arrival of data, court order, etc.

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| a. Dana Reyes        | H.S.A       | 11 Yrs. Svc. Eff: 02/05/2021 |
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YTD fiscal year 2020/2021 retirees: 52

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**REFUND OF SERVICE PURCHASE:** None

**DEATH BENEFIT:** None

**MONTHLY BUDGET REPORT:** Submitted

**The MercedCERA Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the consent calendar.**

**Johnston/ Peterson U/A (7-0)**

## **BOARD ACTION<sup>1</sup>/DISCUSSION**

1. Discussion and possible action to approve the Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) recommend rate by Cheiron – Staff.  
**The MercedCERA Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve the Cost of Living Adjustment rate recommended by Cheiron; 2% for Tier 1 retirees who retired on or after April 2, 2019 and 3% for Tier 1 retirees that retired before April 2, 2019 (due to COLA banking).**  
**Adams/ Ness U/A (7-0)**
2. Discussion and possible action to approve the HVAC system replacement for the MercedCERA building – Staff.  
**The MercedCERA Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to approve staff's recommendation from Modern Air for an HVAC system and duct replacement for the MercedCERA Building and ARMS for roof leak mitigation.**  
**Ness/ Johnston U/A (7-0)**
3. Discussion and possible action on Legislative Update from SACRS – Staff.  
**No action taken.**
4. Review calendar of any training sessions and authorize expenditures for Trustees and Plan Administrator. Pursuant to Govt. Code § 31522.8 and MercedCERA's Trustees Education and Training Policy requirements. Examples of upcoming training and educational sessions:
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**Silveira/ Johnston U/A (7-0)**

## **INFORMATION ONLY**

**No information.**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 AM

Respectfully submitted,



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Ryan Paskin, Chair

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Al Peterson, Secretary

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3/15/2021  
Date

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